# **PACIFIC WOMEN** Leadership & Climate Diplomacy Training



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### Initiative

- Initiated by DFAT, and implemented by WEDO since 2017, the Pacific Women's Climate Diplomacy training provides capacity building and travel support to Pacific Island women. Since 2017, 62 women have participated in a regional workshop and 34 women have been supported to be on their national delegations.
- The current initiative is programmed over 3-years, from 2019-2021, and includes a format of hosting both introductory and advanced trainings for a cohort of Pacific women, as well as mentoring, to ensure outreach to both experienced and newer delegates, and to allow for growth and consistency of participation in the process.



## **Regional Training**

#### Workshops cover :

- Climate change issues and the workings of the UNFCCC, upcoming agendas for SB and the road to COP;
- Regional and national implementation, deep dive into NDCs, NAPs and climate finance, country / regional experience;
- Exploring personal leadership styles and hone in on key areas for future development;
- Practicing and expanding on key negotiations and diplomacy skills.
- The agenda is designed to include a combination of the following modules:
  - Knowledge Input (UNFCCC, Regional & National Implementation)
  - Skills Modules (Negotiations Simulations)
  - Personal Development (Public Speaking & Leadership)

#### Overview Agenda

DAY 1 - MONDAY	DAY 2 – TUESDAY	DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY
Welcome and Introductions	Reflections & Personal Learning Expectations	Reflections & Personal Learning Expectations
Personal Learning Expectations UNFCCC Refresher UNFCCC (2018) - SB48 (What's ahead?) - Talanoa Dialogue - Paris Rulebook - Gender Action Plan - COP24	Regional & National Implementation (Key information, methods, resources & contacts) - NDCs - NAPs - GCF / Climate Finance - CROP Agencies Public Speaking	UNFCCC Negotiations Simulation
Public Speaking	Networking Reception	Evaluation & Closing

### Experience

"Having a group of women who are in similar positions provides for a great support network and enables us to look to and bounce ideas of one another, seek advice and learn more from their personal or country experiences. It also helps build our knowledge in this area - specifically in relation to the UNFCCC and negotiations; as well as our skills in diplomacy, public speaking, negotiating and legal drafting."—Talissa Koteka, Cook Islands, workshop participant



### Women Delegates Fund

- Since 2017, outside of the specific Pacific program, has supported 63 trips for women delegates to 6 meetings;
- Has hosted 5 Night Schools for 144 delegates;
- Has hosted regional trainings in Francophone Africa (Senegal), Asia (Indonesia) and the Caribbean (Barbados)
- Travel support is limited, for LDCs/SIDs, does not meet the demand of support from all countries
- Nominations are made via national focal points and countries are selected via a review of gender balance on delegations, size of delegations, consistency in participation (support for those who have already been funded to advance leadership), as well as donor development partners.



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