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**Pacific Agricultural Plant Genetic Resources Network (PAPGREN) &  
Pacific Breeders Network Meetings, Suva, Fiji  
1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2014**

**Monday, 1st December 2014**

- **Chair – Fiji**
- Welcome & Introduction
- Country Reports Presentation 10-15mins per participant on
  - a) PGR activities in all PICTs
    - i) Conservation (#collections-field, screen-house/nurseries, tissue culture, % losses),
    - ii) Utilization (use and distribution of germplasm),
    - iii) Safety Duplication (within and outside of countries)
    - iv) Evaluation/Recommended varieties of SPC–CePaCT crops received in the last 5 years
  - b) Updates on PGR donor-funded projects (only recipient countries)
    - AusAID ICCAI
    - FAO TREATY
    - NZAID - Evaluation of SPC Crops
    - EU-INEA
    - Global Crop Diversity TRUST – Regeneration
    - TRUST/Bioversity International – Pacific Regional Banana Collection
    - ACIAR PARDI – Taro and Breadfruit
    - ACIAR/CSIRO – Understanding response Taro and Cassava (crop modelling)
    - Confirmation of country reps “official nominations” to be “Focal Points of Contacts” for updating the FAO World Biodiversity Country Status Reports

- SPC CePaCT update on its research activities including climate-resilient collection (5-10 mins)
- Brief discussion/questions and answers on project activities
- Issues and Concerns from the meeting
- End of Day 1

### **Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014 Chair - Cook Islands**

- Recap day one (5 mins) – Palau
- Presentations (team) on the Emergency Response for the safety duplication of the Pacific Coconut Collection (Global Crop Diversity Trust, FAO Treaty Secretariat, Bioversity International, COGENT, PNG & SPC)
- Group discussions & Recommendations
- FAO Treaty Secretariat Presentation (Dr Danielle Manzella) - 15 - 20 mins
- Presentation (10 – 15 mins) by the non-contracting parties to update on the TREATY Ratification (e.g. Cabinet Submission) by PNG, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Nauru, Niue, Tuvalu, FSM etc.
- Group Discussions & Recommendations
- End Day 2

### **Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014 Chair – FSM**

- Recap day 2 (5 mins)- French Polynesia
  - Climate change crop Modelling presentations – USP and Fiji (Poasa) (10-15 mins each)
  - Training on conducting Vulnerability Assessment to Climate Change - Dr Siosua Halavatau & team, SPC
  - Group Discussions/Recommendations
- Afternoon
- Agricultural Value Chain Guide for the Pacific Islands – Dr Andrew McGregor/Mr Kyle Stice, Kogosiga
  - Presentations on Breeding Principles & Practicals – Dr Roger Malapa, VARTC & Mr Tolo Iosefa, SPC)
  - Group Discussions/Recommendations
  - Field Trip to PGR genebank sites and CePaCT
  - End Day 3

## Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2014 – Chair PNG

- Recap day 3 (5 mins) – Marshall Islands
- Practical sessions on Crop breeding (yam, sweet potato, cassava, taro,) using Participatory Plant Breeding and Participatory Varietal Selection approaches (Dr Roger Malapa & Mr Tolo Iosefa)
- End Day 4

***Training to be held at Fijis Koronivia Research Station***

## Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 - Chair Tuvalu

- Recap Day 4 (5 mins) – Solomon Is
- Final Discussions on important issues raised
- Final Recommendations
- Wrap up

***End of Meeting***

*Tea and Lunch will be provided in between sessions for each day*



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