



# **DEVCO** **Environment and Climate Week 2020**

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# The Pacific- European Union Marine Partnership (PEUMP) Programme



- ❖ Implementation period: July 2018 - March 2023
- ❖ PEUMP Partnership: EU-Gov't of Sweden & CROP agencies
- ❖ PEUMP Programme: 6 Key Result Areas & Programme Management Unit (PMU)
- ❖ Gender and human rights-based approach in the fisheries sector is key throughout the programme
  - ❖ Total budget: €45M









# PEUMP Partnerships



SPC (PMU, KRAs 1 & 3)

FFA (KRAs 2 & 4)

SPREP (KRA 5)

USP (KRA 6)

Each agency has implementing partners (PITIA, LMMA, WWF, IUCN)



## The Pacific-European Union Marine Partnership (PEUMP) Programme Policy Dialogue

- ❖ **Goal:** create a platform to build common understanding and partnership to address issues of governance and transparency
- ❖ **Topic:** International Ocean Governance and Sustainable Fisheries to promote transparency in the management of oceanic fisheries resources and strengthening the voice of stakeholders
- ❖ **Participation:** Country Rep + CSOs + PS (local tuna industry bodies).
- ❖ Fully aligned with the *International Ocean Governance* communication: strong partnership, multi-lateral dialogue to bring sustainable use of our ocean to highest political level

## The Pacific-European Union Marine Partnership (PEUMP) Programme Policy Dialogue

- ❖ First Policy dialogue held on 21 June 2019 in Pohnpei, FSM.
- ❖ Dialogue amongst FFA members, WCPFC Secretariat, PNA Office, PEUMP Partners, PS, CSO and DG MARE on issues of converging interest relating to fisheries management and development within the Western and Central Ocean
- ❖ 14 discussion topics (7 in Open Session; 7 in Restricted Session), including cooperation under international law, PSMA, IUU fishing, transshipment, fisheries subsidies, the oceans and climate nexus.



## Challenges and opportunities:

- ❖ Such policy dialogue is new for the Pacific - challenges to agree with partners on objectives, format, agenda, expected outcomes, as well as on logistics challenges – multiple partners, countries, busy regional agenda.
- ❖ Existing tradition of dialogue exists between the EU (DG MARE) and the Pacific on oceanic fisheries topics (IUU dialogue, SFPA, WCPFC meeting).
- ❖ Stronger collaboration between DG MARE and EUDs: policy dialogue as a promising opportunity to boost internal coordination and an integrated approach



## Enabling conditions and factor of success:

- ❖ EU is considered a valuable partner in the Region and generally recognised as a leader on sustainability. Our reputation is an asset to promote new dialogue format
- ❖ EU support to fisheries sector is not new in the Region, started with the 9th EDF. There is a combination of development funds for project implementation and technical dialogues : coherent approach
- ❖ Longstanding cooperation – not always smooth - with key regional organisations (SPC, FFA, SPREP) facilitate regional and national engagement and attendance

## Lessons learned

- ❖ There is appetite for an increased dialogue between the Region and the EU, but challenges to establish new fora on broader ocean governance
- ❖ Closer collaboration between technical HQ DG (ENV, CLIMA, MARE) and the DEL is crucial for the success
- ❖ Timing of the Policy Dialogue - given the importance of Ocean Governance in the International agenda and high level meetings already scheduled, it should be organised back-to-back to other key events
- ❖ The policy dialogue shall be a continuous and constant process at different levels, complemented by regular physical meetings





Thank you!