

# Trends in Climate Governance and Partnerships in the Pacific



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# Main Points

- Climate Finance Governance in the region and national governments state of flux
- Messy entanglement of translating international frameworks, with national climate change priorities- and attempts for regional mechanisms
- ACCESS and special consideration top
- Addressing questions and debates of climate governance are significant in light of new trends in climate partnerships

# Outline

1. Climate Industry
2. Multilateral: UNFCCC Pacific post-Paris
3. Regional: Climate Governance landscape and new proposal (SDRP)
4. National: Samoa – a Climate State?
5. Existing and New Climate Partnerships

## Context: Climate Industry?

- UNFCCC and Global Climate Change problem: mechanism and instruments
- Copenhagen Accord 2009 new stakes with climate finance (\$30B to \$100B)
- Development Aid or Climate Aid
- Poverty alleviation and/or addressing CC
- Paris Agreement a guide for climate industry until 2030

# Multilateral: Pacific pre- and post-Paris

## Road to Paris (pre-2015)

- Special consideration SIDS
- Long-term temperature goal 1.5
- Mitigation: **finance** for mitigation
- Adaptation: decision making process and adaptation **finance**
- Loss and Damage: compensation and **finance**
- Technology transfer (finance)

# Post-Paris Priorities and Strategies (post-2015)

- **Special SIDS consideration** and early ratification
- Defending 1.5 goal; 2018 Facilitative Dialogue & IPCC Report
- Finance: **scale up global finance** (GCF, LDCF, SCCF, Adaptation)
- Loss and Damage: strengthen WIM; **funding stream and access**
- Adaptation: process SIDS specific, reporting GCF specific SIDS; Capacity Building Initiative framework
- PARTICIPATION: **SIDS reps seats**, and within AOSIS
- REGIONAL FRAMEWORK? How to carry this out

# Pacific Regional Forums Calendar (2015)

- High Level Support Mechanisms (April) -intl
- UNFCCC Bonn (AOSIS and G77) -intl
- Pacific Climate Change Roundtable -intl rgl
- Secretariat Pacific Regional Environment Program (CC-Adaptation and Mitigation) rgl intl
- Secretariat Pacific Commission (CC- Disaster Risk Reduction and Management) rgl intl
- Pacific Islands Development Forum rgl intl
- Pacific Islands Forum Leaders rgl intl
- Pacific Small Islands Development (through out year-NY) -intl
- High Level Support Mechanism intl
- Conference of the Parties - intl



# Attempts at Regional Pacific Climate Governance

- SPREP 2005: [Pacific Island Framework for Action on Climate Change 2006-2015](#) (UNFCCC)
- SPC 2005: [Pacific Disaster Risk Reduction and Disaster Management Framework for Action 2006-2015](#) (Hyogo Framework)
- PIF 2011 mandate “*secure appropriate governance arrangements, aid disbursement modalities and procedures which accommodate the particular constraints of FICs in the development of climate financing opportunities*”
- [Pacific Climate Change Finance Regional Framework 2013](#)
- [Strategy for Climate and Disaster Resilient Development in the Pacific 2015-2025](#) (SDRP)

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# SDRP Priorities 2015-2025

## Impacts:

- Rainfall intensity (decrease in frequency in cyclones)
- Sea-level rise (0.52-0.98 metres)
- Ocean acidification
- Weather-related disasters (flood, storm surges, cyclonic wind intensity, coastal erosion, saltwater intrusion, water scarcity and drought)



# SDRP Priorities 2015-2025

**Goal 1- Strengthened integrated risk management to enhance Climate and Disaster Resilience** (Climate adaptation, governance planning)

**Goal 2- Low Carbon Development** (Climate Mitigation, energy security and infrastructure, decreased greenhouse emissions)

**Goal 3- Strengthened Disaster Preparedness, Response and Recovery** (Climate Disaster)

**CLIMATE Mainstreaming Whole-of-Region, Whole-of Country, whole-of government** into the development sectors

**Target climate sectors:**(health, education, water and sanitation, social assistance, energy, agriculture, fisheries, tourism, culture, environment, infrastructure)

# **Proposed Regional Governance**

## **Structure**

SDRP Committee (CROP)-->>>SDRP  
Support Unit (PIFS)-->>>Pacific Resilience  
Partnership

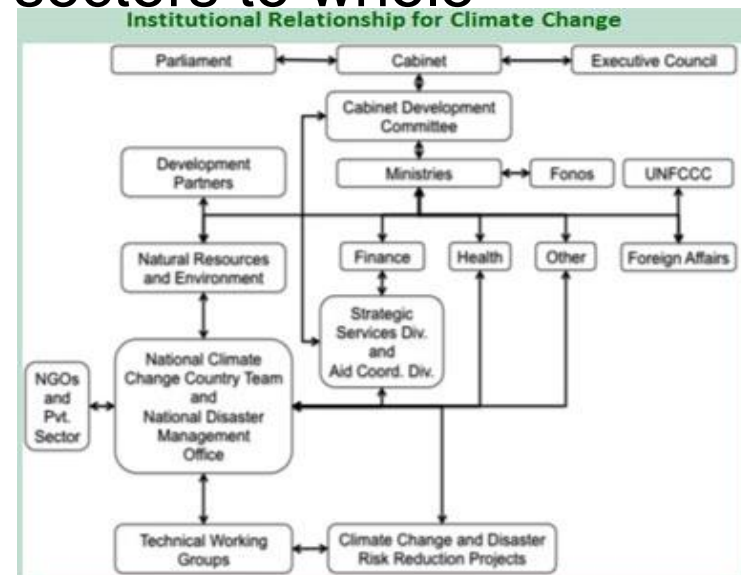
**Pacific Resilience Partnership (program  
and coordinating projects)**

# National Governance

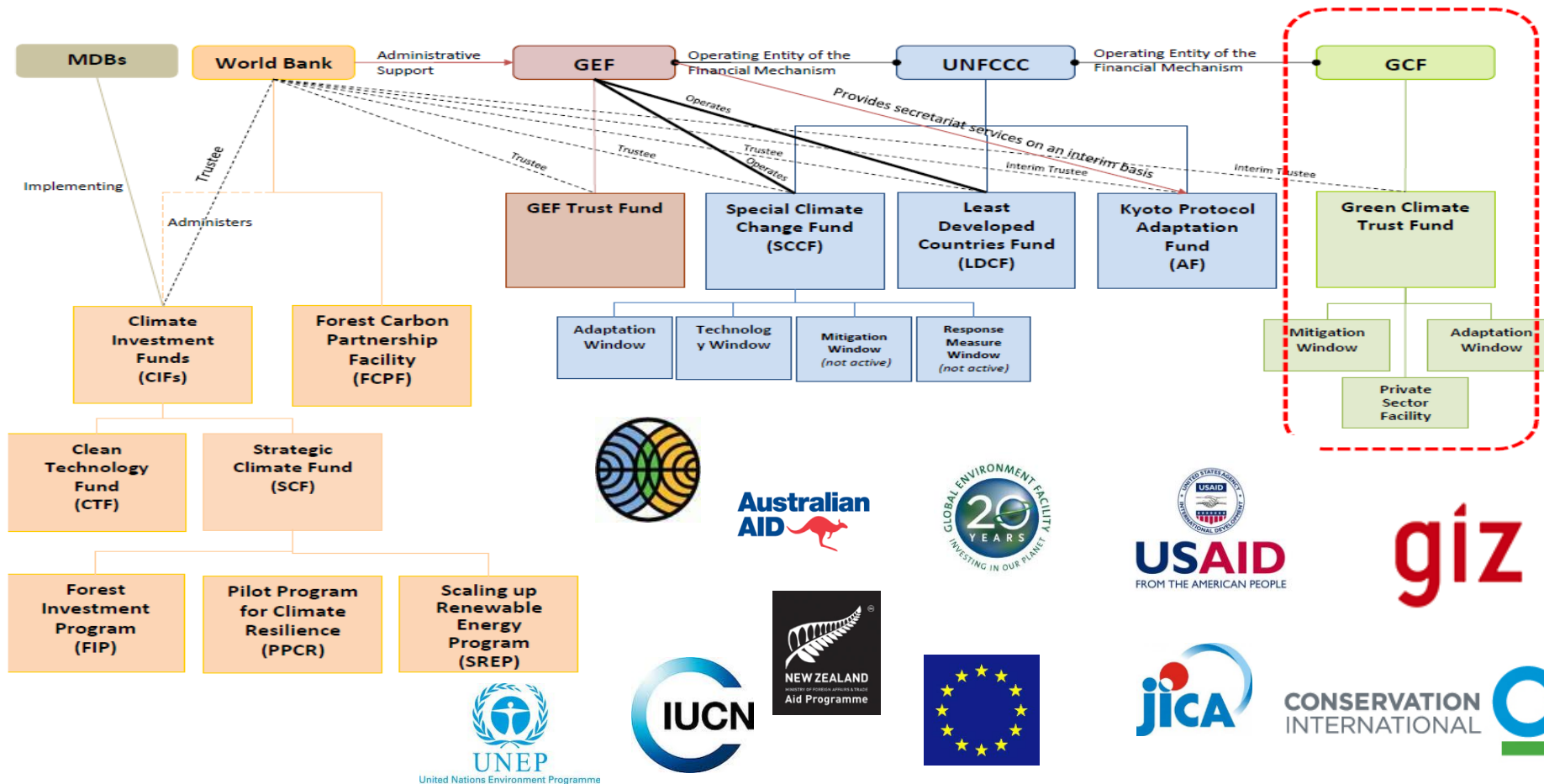
## SAMOA – a CLIMATE STATE?

- Since 2007 NAPA (MNRE technical) and Climate Resilience Investment Coordination (MOF NIE)
- highest CC fund per capita
- 2014 from 8 development/adaptation sectors to whole-country (UNDP supported)
- Whole-of Country, whole-of govt

(FIJI 2015- Climate Division in  
Ministry Finance/ Ministry Economy



# Existing Climate Financing Partnerships





# Unique Climate Partnerships trends

- **South-South cooperation:** global south contributions- China announced \$3.1 bn
- **Pacific Rising** a ‘Marshall Plan’ for Safety, Stability, Prosperity (*Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Tuvalu, Maldives, Conservation International*)- Govt, CSO, Philanthropy



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