# Cleaner Pacific 2036 Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy Consultation Meeting

## Suva, Fiji

## 21-22 July 2025

#### 1. Introduction

The 'Cleaner Pacific 2025: Pacific Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy 2016–2025' (CP2025) was developed in consultation with 21 SPREP member countries to provide a comprehensive, long-term strategy for sustainable waste management and pollution prevention and control in the Pacific islands' region until 2025.

Aligning with SPREP Strategic Plan Regional Goal 3: 'Pacific people benefit from improved waste management and pollution control', and Regional Goal 4: 'Pacific people and their environment benefit from the commitment to and best practices of environmental governance', CP2025 defined four strategic goals and 15 strategic actions to address priority waste and pollution issues, with SPREP and Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs) responsible for their delivery.

At the <u>31st SPREP meeting</u> (September 2023), the development of a revised strategy, the 'Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy' (CP2036) was endorsed to replace CP2025.

CP2036 will be the next long-term strategy for SPREP to continue supporting, guiding, and coordinating regional waste management and pollution control action in the Pacific region in a collaborative manner. It will provide an overarching framework to assist PICTs to have cleaner and safer environments now and into the future by guiding the development of aligned response plans, partnerships (including across sectors), and resource mobilisation to implement agreed identified priorities.

In April 2025, SPREP engaged Tonkin & Taylor International (T&TI) to deliver two foundational pieces of work to inform the development of CP2036:

**Final evaluation and review of CP2025 (evaluation):** To robustly assess CP2025 on its relevance, coherence, effectiveness, efficiency, impact, and sustainability, and provide recommendations to inform CP2036.

**Development of a conceptual framework for the Regional Strategy (conceptual framework):** To represent and explain how CP2036 will work by connecting its activities to expected outcomes. The conceptual framework will be a key informing piece for the draft CP2036.

The Multi-Sector Stakeholder Workshop will contribute data to the development of the conceptual framework, building on the data already gathered at the Circularity, Innovation, Recovery, Culture, Learning, and Environment EXPO 2025 (CIRCLE Expo), held in May 2025. It will be a crucial discussion platform to collect inputs and constructive comments from a diverse group of stakeholders to collaboratively shape CP2036.

Between now and the endorsement of CP2036, there will be a transition period to allow adequate time for consultations and drafting, and to promote alignment with the next SPREP Strategic Plan, which will commence in 2027.

#### 2. Purpose

The challenges we collectively face – such as climate change, pollution, waste, and environmental degradation – don't exist in isolation. They intersect with health, education, tourism, agriculture, energy, transport, and many other sectors. That's why your perspectives and ideas are invited, in the Multi-Sector Stakeholder Workshop, to input into the conceptual framework for the Cleaner Pacific 2036 Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy (CP2036). We want to make sure that CP2036 can, at appropriate intersections:

**Support big picture thinking:** No single sector can solve complex environmental issues alone. By working together, we can design solutions that are more holistic and sustainable – ones that consider the ripple effects across communities, economies, ecosystems, and the Pacific.

**Facilitate sharing of expertise:** You bring unique knowledge, priorities, and experiences from your sector. When combined with others, this creates a richer, more informed foundation for decision-making.

**Ensure better alignment:** Your input helps ensure that CP2036 aligns with your sector's ambitions and priorities. This alignment is key to building policies and actions that are practical, relevant, and widely supported.

**Innovate through diversity:** Collaboration across sectors often sparks new ideas and creative approaches that wouldn't emerge in siloed discussions.

**Foster inclusive and equitable outcomes:** By including voices from all sectors, we ensure that CP2036 reflects the needs of the whole region – not just a few. This leads to more equitable and impactful outcomes.

#### 3. Objective

The objectives of the Multi-Sector Stakeholder Workshop are to:

- **Kickstart networking:** Initiate meaningful cross-sector connections among stakeholders to create a sense of camaraderie as we each work to manage collective challenges.
- **Identify intersections:** Determine the points of overlap between the ambitions and priorities of the waste management and pollution control sector and other sectors.
- **Define opportunities:** Collaboratively document key intersection points where mutual cross-sector benefits can be leveraged via CP2036.
- **Discuss ownership:** Discuss the concept of multi-sector implementation of CP2036, i.e., how we might approach shared responsibility for the delivery of actions.

#### 4. Methodology and Structure

The programme will combine practical knowledge sharing and facilitated activities using strategic foresight and futures tools from the <u>SPC Pacific Pathfinder Toolkit</u>; tools which 'provide creative yet structured ways to think about and plan for the future'.

# 11. Programme

Day 1 – Monday 21 July 2025

Time	Description	Facilitator
8.30am – 9.00am	Registration	
9.00am – 9.30am	<ul> <li>Official Opening and Welcome</li> <li>Opening Prayer. (5 mins)</li> <li>Welcoming Remarks:         <ul> <li>by Mr. Sivendra Michael, Permanent Secretary for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Government of Fiji. (5 mins)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Opening Remarks:         <ul> <li>by Mr. Anthony Talouli, Director, Waste Management &amp; Pollution Control, SPREP. (5 mins)</li> <li>by Mr. Choudhury Rudra Charan Mohanty, Environment Programme Coordinator, UNCRD-DSDG/UN DESA. (5 mins)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Special Address:         <ul> <li>by Mr. Dirk Wagener, UN Resident Coordinator to Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu(5 mins.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Guest of Honour:         <ul> <li>by H.E. Mr. Rokuichiro Michii, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Fiji. (5 mins)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SPREP
9.30am – 9.35am	Group photograph	
9.35am – 9.50am	Welcome Morning Tea	
9.50am – 10.40am	<ul> <li>Session 1: Introduction to the Workshop</li> <li>The purpose of this session is to share the purpose of the workshop the expected outcomes, and to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to introduce themselves to each other.</li> <li>Welcome, housekeeping, and introductions.</li> <li>Purpose of the workshop and expected outcomes.</li> <li>Agenda for Day 1 – how we will journey from here to there.</li> <li>Rules of Play: Be present, Be curious, Make space, Have fun!</li> <li>Ice breaker activity: How well do you know waste? Getting to know each other via a 'Rubbish and Recycling Relay'.</li> </ul>	т&ті
10.40am – 12.30pm	Session 2: Cleaner Pacific 2025 Overview and Evaluation The purpose of this session is to provide participants with an overview of what the Cleaner Pacific 2025 Pacific Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy (CP2025) is, what it achieved, and the recommendations for the next strategy.  Presentation 1: Introduction to CP2025 Susana Telakau from SPREP will provide an overview of CP2025 and what this ambitious 10-year strategy and how it set out to achieve significant and coordinated action across the Pacific region to prevent and manage waste and pollution.  (15 mins + 5 mins for audience questions)	Т&ТІ

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	Workshop Activity 1: Sector Reflections on Regional Strategies	
	Participants will be invited to discuss with the people on their table the following questions, then share back to the broader group:	
	What are the ambitions/priorities of your sector strategies?	
	<ul> <li>What role does collaboration play in the delivery of your sector strategy?</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>How could your sector be engaged to broaden the reach and relevance of CP2036?</li> <li>(30 mins)</li> </ul>	
	Presentation 2: CP2025 Evaluation  Donna Shiel from T&TI will give a presentation of the methodology, achievements, and results of the final review and evaluation of CP2025, as well as discussion on the recommendations for the transition period and CP2036 and the key drivers of change for the waste and pollution sector.  (15 mins + 5 mins for audience questions)  Workshop Activity 2: Cross-Sector Driver Mapping  As table groups, participants will undertake a 'driver mapping' exercise whereby they identify and capture potential drivers that could impact the future of their respective sectors.	
	(40 mins)	
12.30pm – 1.30pm	Networking Lunch	
1.30pm – 2.45pm	Session 3: Waste Management and Pollution Control in the Pacific	
	Region  The purpose of this session is to provide an in-depth look at key projects delivered under CP2025 to introduce participants to some of the key challenges faced by the waste and pollution sector, how these are being addressed, and where the opportunities lay.  Each presentation will run for 10 minutes, followed by 5 minutes of questions from the audience.	
	<ul> <li>Presentation 3: SPREP share key programs delivered under the CP2025 strategy.</li> <li>Presentation 4: The Fiji Government shares the successes of their waste education and awareness program.</li> <li>Presentation 5: Tonga; Successes and challenges of implementing national waste and pollution legislation.</li> <li>Presentation 6: Kiribati Government shares their experiences of implementing the national container deposit legislation to improve recycling.</li> <li>Presentation 7: UNCRD shares learnings from across Asia that can provide insights for the Pacific region.</li> </ul>	T&TI with presentations from partners
2.45pm – 3.05pm	Afternoon Tea	
3.05pm – 3.30pm	Session 4: Cross-Sector System Mapping	
	Workshop Activity 3: Cross-Sector System Mapping As table groups, participants will undertake a 'system mapping' exercise to identify and capture the interacting components (e.g., regulatory context, partners/donors, types of programs) of the	

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	sectors they work in, and where waste and pollution are considered in these. This will be followed by group share back and discussion.  (25 minutes)	
3.30pm – 3.50pm	Session 5: Transitioning to Cleaner Pacific 2036	
	The purpose of this session is to introduce the conceptual framework for CP2036 and share an overview of the consultation outcomes from CIRCLE Expo.	
	Presentation 8: Introduction to the CP2036 Conceptual Framework	
	Participants will be introduced to aspects of the draft program logic that will inform the development of CP2036, which has been informed by the consultation outcomes from the CIRCLE Expo and the evaluation of CP2025.	
	(15 mins + 5 mins for audience questions)	
	Workshop Activity 4: Stakeholder Feedback on the Conceptual Framework	т&ті
	As table groups, participants will discuss the consultation outcomes and respond to the following questions:	
	<ul> <li>Are there any gaps or oversights in the draft program logic that need to be addressed?</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Are there stakeholder groups or perspectives that need to be better represented in the draft program logic?</li> </ul>	
	What are the most critical success factors identified in the draft program logic that will drive impact across the region?  (20 mins)	
	Session 6: Strategic Foresight and Futures	
	The purpose of this session is to build the capability of participants by introducing them to the SPC Pacific Pathfinder Toolkit.	
3.50pm – 4.10pm	Presentation 9: Introduction to the SPC Pacific Pathfinder Toolkit Short presentation from SPREP to introduce and promote the use of strategic foresight and futures thinking using the newly developed SPC Pacific Pathfinder Toolkit.  (20 mins)	SPREP
	Day 1 Wrap-up  Open discussion and Q&A.	
4.10pm – 4.30pm	<ul><li>Summary of Day 1.</li><li>Expectations for Day 2.</li></ul>	Т&ТІ
	Close.	

**Day 2 – Tuesday 22 July 2025** 

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9.00am – 9.20am	<ul> <li>Welcome to Day 2</li> <li>Opening Prayer.</li> <li>Welcoming remarks from the facilitator.</li> <li>Recap of Day 1 and the agenda for Day 2.</li> <li>Ice breaker activity: What was your biggest takeaway from Day 1?</li> </ul>	т&ті
9.20am – 10.20am	Session 7: Understanding the Context our Collective Future  The purpose of this session is to deep dive into the operating landscapes of other sectors to gain a shared understanding of our collective contexts.  Workshop Activity 5: Multi-Sector Futures Triangle  As table groups, participants will prepare a 'Futures Triangle' for the sector they represent, sharing what they are in relation to the pushes of the present, weights of the past, and pulls of the future.  (60 mins)	т&ті
10.20am – 10.40am	Morning tea	
10.40am – 12.40pm	Session 8: Shaping our Collective Future  The purpose of this session is to examine our collective context and determine intersections where potential opportunities to collaborate with the waste and pollution sector exist.  Workshop Activity 6: Systems Mapping to Identify Intersections  As table groups, participants will work together to identify key intersections where the waste and pollution sector overlaps with other sectors' work, and where gaps exist.  (40 mins)  Workshop Activity 7: Identifying 'Keystone' Priorities  Following the identification of key intersections, groups will be guided through a prioritisation process to define 'keystone' intersections, i.e., those that will provide the greatest mutual benefits and that can balance regional action to enable local action.  (20 mins)  Workshop Activity 8: Envisioning Outcomes for Keystone Priorities  With keystone intersections defined, participants will then be guided through a visioning activity to explore what an outcome for each could look like within a 10-year timeframe.  (60 mins)	Т&ТІ
12.40pm – 1.40pm	Networking Lunch	
1.40pm – 3.10pm	Session 9: Towards Collaborative Delivery of Cleaner Pacific 2036  The purpose of this session is to brainstorm possible inputs, activities, and outputs that could be delivered collaboratively, across sectors, to deliver the desired outcomes for the keystone priorities.  Workshop Activity 9: Inputs, Activities, Outputs	т&ті

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	As table groups, participants will brainstorm their ideas of inputs, activities, and outputs that could be leveraged, accessed, or developed to deliver the desired outcomes for the keystone priorities. Participants will work on several different priorities throughout the session so that collective wisdom will be collated for each. (60 mins)	
	<ol> <li>Workshop Activity 10: Seven Questions to Consider (at the National level)</li> <li>What barriers may limit our ability to deliver collaboratively?</li> <li>What solutions could we explore to address these barriers?</li> <li>Which recurring challenges do we face?</li> <li>What has helped us overcome recurring challenges in the past?</li> <li>What assumptions do we need to verify?</li> <li>What factors beyond our control do we need to be aware of?</li> <li>What is the top thing we can do to engage other sectors in the delivery of CP2036?</li> <li>(30 mins)</li> </ol>	
3.10pm – 3.40pm	Afternoon tea	
3.40pm – 4.10pm	Session 10: Where to from here? The purpose of this session is to share and collect key insights from the two-day workshop and discuss what sector contributions can be added to the CP2036 Conceptual Framework.  Workshop Activity 11: Three Questions to Inform Next Steps Participants will be asked to consider the following questions individually and then collectively:  1. What are the most valuable insights you've gained from the workshop that should go on to inform CP2036?  2. Specifically, how can your sector contribute to shaping the CP2036?  3. What practical steps can we put in place to ensure these contributions are integrated and sustained beyond the workshop? (30 mins)	Т&ТІ
4.10pm – 4.30pm	Day 2 Wrap-up  Open discussion and Q&A.  Summary of Day 2.  Next steps.  Close.	Т&ТІ