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# Acronyms

<b>ADRA</b>	Adventist Development and Relief Agency	<b>SPREP</b>	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme
<b>AusAID</b>	Australian Agency for International Development	<b>TC</b>	Tropical Cyclone
<b>COP23</b>	The 23 <sup>rd</sup> session of the Conference of the Parties	<b>UBD</b>	Unsolicited Bilateral Donation
<b>CPP</b>	Country Preparedness Package	<b>UNDAC</b>	United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination
<b>CTP</b>	Cash Transfer Programming	<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Programme
<b>DFAT</b>	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Australia)	<b>UNFPA</b>	United Nations Population Fund
<b>DRR</b>	Disaster Risk Reduction	<b>UNFCCC</b>	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
<b>FAO</b>	Food and Agriculture Organization	<b>UNHCR</b>	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
<b>FRDP</b>	Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific	<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children's Fund
<b>FSM</b>	Federated States of Micronesia	<b>UNISDR</b>	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
<b>IFRC</b>	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	<b>UNOCHA</b>	United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
<b>INGO</b>	International Non-Governmental Organization	<b>UN Women</b>	United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
<b>IOM</b>	International Organization for Migration	<b>WASH</b>	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
<b>MFAT</b>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (New Zealand)	<b>WFP</b>	World Food Programme
<b>NDMO</b>	National Disaster Management Office	<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization
<b>NEMO</b>	National Emergency Management Organization	<b>WHS</b>	World Humanitarian Summit
<b>NGO</b>	Non-Governmental Organization		
<b>NNGO</b>	National Non-Governmental Organization		
<b>OHCHR</b>	Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights		
<b>PHT</b>	Pacific Humanitarian Team		
<b>PHP</b>	Pacific Humanitarian Partnership		
<b>RC</b>	Resident Coordinator (United Nations)		
<b>RMI</b>	Republic of the Marshall Islands		
<b>SC</b>	Save the Children		
<b>SDGs</b>	Sustainable Development Goals		
<b>SPC</b>	Pacific Community		

# Global and Regional Trends

## Regional WHS Consultation for The Pacific, Auckland, 2015

Top ten sub-themes ranked by likely impact on humanitarian action if innovation was applied:

- Localising humanitarian preparedness and response
- Making funding flexible and predictable
- Enhancing resilience through preparedness and risk reduction
- Involving communities, including women and those living with disability, in decision making
- Collaborating with private sector in building resilience
- Enabling private sector participation in response and recovery
- Strengthening civil society
- Improving locally owned needs and capacity assessments
- Managing the risk and consequences of climate change induced displacement and relocation
- Building on traditional coping mechanisms

## Charter for Change – Localisation of Humanitarian Aid, implementation by 2018

The Charter for Change includes 8 Commitments that INGOs agree to implement by May 2018 resulting from recommendations to come out of the World Humanitarian Summit participatory process. The idea underscoring the charter is that humanitarian actors must commit themselves to address change within their own organisational ways of working to ensure the humanitarian system is realigned and builds on local capacities.

- Direct Funding: Commit to pass 20% of humanitarian funding to National NGOs
- Partnership: Reaffirm principles of partnership
- Transparency: Publish the amount or percentage of funding that is passed to NNGOs
- Recruitment: Address and prevent the negative impact of recruiting NNGO staff during emergencies
- Advocacy: Emphasise the importance of national actors to humanitarian donors
- Equality: Address subcontracting and ensure equality in decision-making
- Support: Provide robust organisational support and capacity building
- Promotion: Promote the role of local actors to media and public

## Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific (FRDP), 2017 - 2030

The Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific is a framework of strategic guidance that advocates for the adoption of integrated sustainable approaches for managing climate and disaster risks and is a mechanism of priority actions approved by Pacific leaders to build resilience to climate change and disasters in the Pacific. These actions are to be implemented as relevant per the context and priority needs to stakeholders. Emphasised in this integrated approach is the idea that successful implementation of the FRDP in the Pacific includes learning from each other's initiatives to forge the pathway to a resilient, stable and sustainable Pacific. As climate change and disasters most significantly impacts the most vulnerable, human rights-based approaches are highlighted to ensure equitable access to humanitarian development assistance and to promote inclusive development and equitable participation.

## The 13th Triennial Conference of Pacific Women and 6th Meeting of the Pacific Ministers, October 2017

Suva, Fiji will host the Triennial Women's festival creates an important space to bring together senior government officials and civil society representatives from across 22 Pacific Island countries to further support and accelerate the implementation of gender equality commitments in the region. The conference promotes an amplified voice for women in the Pacific at global discussions and encourages greater participation of civil society, leadership of women, diverse engagement and inclusion of young women and women with disability.

## COP23, November 2017

The Pacific and other low-lying Small Island Developing States are particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change. The Pacific, specifically Fiji has taken on a global role, the Presidency for COP23, lending a voice to all the world's citizens who are at risk of the impact of these changes. The Fiji Presidency promotes advancements towards implementing the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and intends to forge a grand coalition to fast-track commitments to climate change action before 2020. Sustainable agriculture, the world's oceans and seas, climate adaptation finance, renewable energy and affordable climate risk disaster insurance will all be agenda items. The Fiji Presidency will infuse COP23 with friendly Fijian "Bula Spirit" leading the way to inclusive, transparent and accelerated action to build greater resilience for all vulnerable societies. It will promote harnessing innovation, sustainability and coalitions to work towards decision-making for the collective good.

# Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Meeting 2017

The global humanitarian environment continues to increase in complexity. In the Pacific, island states are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change and the inhabitants of many islands are already suffering from climate and extreme weather induced events such as tropical cyclone, droughts, heavy rainfall and floods. The evolving needs of responders and affected people require the humanitarian community to innovate and think differently to meet ever-increasing demands. This calls for an even greater emphasis and urgency on collaborative action and community - based approaches to improve our delivery and effectiveness.

The Pacific Humanitarian Partnership (PHP) Meeting, held annually since 2008, brings together representatives from national authorities and humanitarian partners from across the region. The meeting is organized by UNOCHA's Office for the Pacific and attended by over 100 partners each year. Due to the frequency of disasters in the region and the large number of disaster management actors that operate in the Pacific, the event seeks to bring together the humanitarian community to strengthen preparedness and response activities, and serves as a unique platform to cultivate innovation, share best practice, critically analyze challenges, ensure a diversity of voices are heard to find practical solutions.

The 2017 event does not allow sufficient time to create detailed operational plans and produce bullet-proof solutions to a complex web of interconnected issues. Nevertheless, the meeting will provide an opportunity for participants to gain insight into how other actors are thinking about these issues, and how they attempt to address them, to gather ideas and to highlight potential commitments to help work towards an agreed localization agenda in the Pacific.

## Focus: Pathways to a Resilient Pacific

### - a localization in preparedness and response agenda: not theoretical but possible

At the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) in May 2016, support for localized humanitarian action was a priority outcome, reinforcing the trends in humanitarian action already being seen in the Pacific where the expectation was that the international community's role in response was to augment national capacity. Partners also committed to working together to realign the humanitarian space and to advocate for increased localization that would see a greater participation and leadership of local and national responders in emergency preparedness and response. A key observation from the WHS Pacific Consultations included the importance of contextualizing humanitarian action to the appropriate operating context and in the Pacific. How localisation is defined, how it is committed to, promoted, and operationalised remains unclear for those operating in the Pacific context. For the humanitarian community to transition from committing to the concepts promoted by the localization agenda, to reform in a way that positions them to act upon these priorities in the Pacific, several issues need to be considered. To further strengthen localization initiatives, to encourage inclusive action and to operate an integrated way with diverse disaster management actors, thought needs to be given to conflicts between how to pragmatically localize across the humanitarian continuum while ensuring commitment and adherence to humanitarian principles, capacity strengthening and global standards.

This year, the two-day PHP event will provide an opportunity for participants to critically analyze these specific challenges through the lens of strengthening inclusive localized preparedness and response initiatives and connectivity.

The Pacific is pioneering a multi-stakeholder, integrated approach where coordination amongst an increasing number of actors across humanitarian and development sectors is a major challenge. The Framework for Resilience Development in the Pacific (FRDP) can provide guidance for actors working in both the Disaster Management and Disaster Risk Reduction spaces and provide a platform for future integration and for bridging divides. We would also like to take this opportunity for participants to think constructively about pathways to a resilient Pacific, and how that can be streamlined through integration and harmonization of mechanisms and resources. How can we localize, share responsibility and complement other actors and support communities to prepare, response and recover from disasters? How do we strengthen resilience in the Pacific, assist responsibly, efficiently and ethically while support long-term initiatives on disaster risk reduction and risk prevention, addressing risks across the humanitarian – development continuum?

The PHP is an opportunity to look at several significant cross-cutting issues and underlying challenges to the localization agenda, learn of Pacific-lead approaches and work through possible solutions.

## Aim & Objectives

The aim of the PHP Meeting is to strengthen dialogue and partnerships, to exchange and between Governments and humanitarian partners by exploring ways of achieving the following:

**Placing National authorities at the center of humanitarian action by:**

- > supporting national authority growth and development and reinforcing their systems
- > ensuring clarity on the role the international humanitarian community in complementing these efforts and strengthening capacities

**Ensuring greater collaboration with Civil Society and local actors in preparedness and response by:**

- > strengthening preparedness and response support to Governments for collective outcomes
- > identifying actions and innovations to see key affected populations as partners, first responders and fellow humanitarians in preparedness and response
- > building effective partnerships and facilitating agreements with wider audiences in preparedness including the private sector and business

**Monitor progress on implementation of outcomes of the World Humanitarian Summit by:**

- > promoting localization and local actor integration across the humanitarian-development divide
- > encouraging protection of human rights
- > seeking solutions, with and for people, to specific challenges in the Pacific region
- > reducing barriers to the implementation and operationalisation of the Grand Bargain

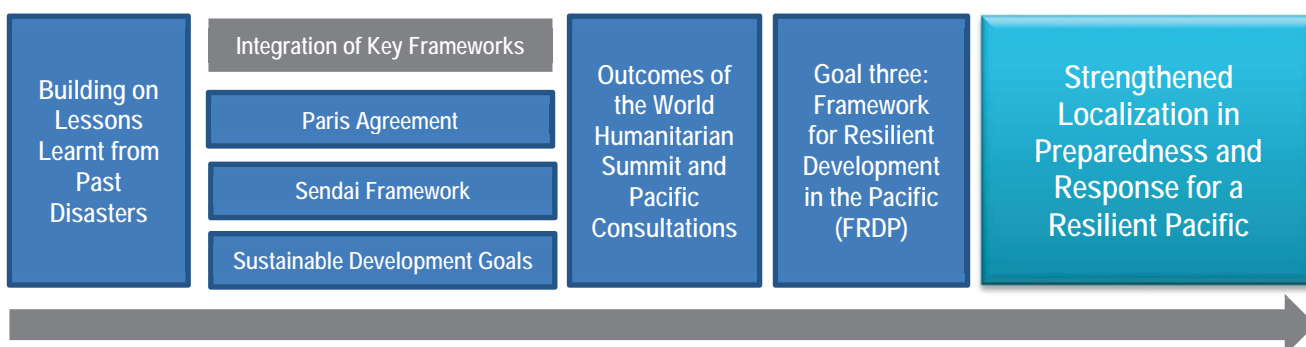
## Meeting Framework

These objectives can only be achieved by ensuring greater linkages between disaster preparedness and response, and the resilience and development agendas by generating synergy with existing initiatives that Governments have committed to, such as the Sustainable Development Goals, Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, Paris Agreement and the FRDP.

Building on from the WHS and the PHP Meeting 2016, which aimed to realize the visions for a new regional approach with affected people at the center of humanitarian action, realignment of governments and humanitarian actors' systems to build on local capacities and a strengthened collaboration for improved resilience, the 2017 PHP will allow partners to further strengthen the localization in preparedness and response agenda through an integrated approach with Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change action.

*Participants at this year's meeting will share best practices and innovations in addition to the challenges from recent emergencies, and work together to develop strategies for better collaboration in the disaster preparedness and response arena, the third goal of the FRDP.*

The PHP meeting combines the outcomes of these frameworks, detailed below and through harmonization with the agendas of all Resilience Week coordinating agencies.



## Joint Pacific Resilience Week Program of Events, October 2017

This year's meeting will be part of the Resilience Week jointly undertaken by UNOCHA, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), the Pacific Community (SPC) and Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP). The dates are as follows:

- 2-3 October: Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Meeting (UNOCHA) and Pacific Climate Change Round Table (SPREP)
- 2 October: Welcome Reception and Opening
- 4-5 October: Joint Pacific Climate Change Round Table and Pacific Platform for DRR (SPREP / SPC / UNISDR)
- 6 October: Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (closed session) (SPC)

# Day 1 – Monday 2 October 2017

## Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Meeting: localization in preparedness and response

### Session 1: "Bringing meaning to localisation in the Pacific"

Session Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Presenter / Facilitator: Mark Mitchell - Senior Humanitarian Programmes Coordinator - Caritas Aotearoa NZ

Session Contributors: Aleta Miller – Representative at the Fiji Multi-Country Office – UN Women  
Jamie Isbister – Humanitarian Coordinator – Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
Mosese Sikivou – Fiji Regional Coordinator – Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat  
Emele Duituturaga – Executive Director – Pacific Islands of Non –Government Organisation  
Kathryn Clarkson – Head of Pacific Region Office – International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies  
Loti Yates – Director – National Disaster Management Office, Ministry of Environment Climate Change Disaster Management and Meteorology Solomon Islands

Session Overview: A key observation from the WHS Pacific consultations included the importance of contextualizing humanitarian action to the appropriate operating context and in the Pacific. The localisation of aid has been a priority outcome for several years, nevertheless how localisation is defined, how it is committed to, promoted and operationalised remains unclear for those operating in the Pacific context. This session will facilitate a discussion around how different humanitarian actors approach localisation within the context they operate, however focus on identifying the obstacles and challenges to implementing this approach, the examples of best practice and what are the common key principles in the approach to localisation. Through the facilitation of a panel discussion and audience participation, these challenges and approaches to best practice will be documented focusing on how to effectively and ethically localise without overburdening certain local actors. An outcome of the PHP meeting will be identifying possible commitments to localisation that can be identified from the two days of sessions and shared with suggestions made on how to progressively document and achieve these commitments.

### Session 2: "Taking Control of the Response" – moving from a culture of reaction to a culture of prevention

Session Time: 11:30am- 12:30pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Finau Heuifanga Limuloa – Pacific Disaster Law Delegate – International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Session Contributors: Shadrack Welegtabit – Director – National Disaster Management Office Vanuatu  
Sunia Y. Ratulevu – Director – National Disaster Management Office Fiji

Session Overview: *"In February 2016, TC Winston widely devastated a nation and thousands of communities that had not yet fully recovered from the natural disaster brought by TC Evans in November 2012. In the few years between these two tropical cyclones, Fiji experienced near drought conditions for over 3 years, several other cyclones and seasonal floods, and several earthquake-related tsunami alerts."* - Draft National Humanitarian Policy for Disaster Risk Management, Fiji 2016

This session will set the scene disasters and emergencies in the Pacific by hearing directly from those setting the agenda in the Pacific, highlighting the preparedness and response activities and national level coordination that humanitarian actors can systematically link into to reinforce national authority growth and development. There is a need for NDMOs to clearly define their overarching structures and make sure that these are understood at community and district level while being mindful of the multiplicity of stakeholders and diverse inclusivity in decision-making, including youth engagement. The NDMO of Fiji will speak to the process undertaken in developing its National Humanitarian Policy, a priority action from recent cyclones, to institutionalise humanitarian practices and assistance. The policy promotes building national capacity first and encourages the development of local self-reliance of individuals, communities and institutions. The NDMO of Vanuatu will speak to their coordination mechanism, how they took control of TC Pam response, what the achievements were and, what needs improvement.



### Session 3: "This is what a Humanitarian Looks Like"

Session Time: 12:30pm – 01:30pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Noelene Nabulivou – Political Advisor – Diverse Voices And Action For Equality  
Naemah Kahn – Gender & Humanitarian Officer – UN Women

Session Contributors: Viva Tatawaqa – DIVA for Equality Fiji  
Lanieta Tuimabu – Fiji disable Peoples Federation  
Adi Vasulevu – FemLINKPACIFIC, Women's Weather Watch, Transcend Oceania  
Bonita Qio – Pacific Rainbow  
Katryn Relang – Women United Together Marshall Islands

Session Overview: All stakeholders working towards a disaster resilient Pacific have a responsibility to integrate gender, diversity and equitable participation across the decision-making, planning and implementation of activities while promoting human right-based responses. Activities must be driven at all levels, within all phases, considered in decision-making and mainstreamed across sectorial divides to ensure effective delivery of initiatives. Nevertheless, many actors local and international actors find this a challenging task. This session aims to promote the visibility of gender and protection actors, those who may not be part of formal humanitarian structures but do the work in their communities. This session aims to inform humanitarian actors what local Pacific Island humanitarians look like in all their diversities.

20% of the WHS commitments focused significantly on promoting gender issues therefore this session will facilitate a change in the rhetoric and alter our perceptions of those affected by disasters from vulnerable affected populations to partners to first responders and key informants for preparedness and response.

### Session 4: "Localisation; Accountability to an Outcome" - NGO and CSO engagement and coordination

Session Time: 2:30pm – 4:00pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Tu Tangi – Senior Programme Manager – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
Iris Low-McKenzie – CEO – Save the Children Fiji

Session Contributors: Rajjeli Nicole – Regional Director – OXFAM in the Pacific

Session Overview: Localisation would see the global humanitarian system realign to ensure national and local actors remain at the forefront, lead action and decision-making and receive a greater proportion of funding. The Pacific is pioneering a multi-stakeholder, integrated approach where coordination amongst an increasing number of actors across humanitarian and development sectors is a major challenge. The NGO community has a responsibility to link in with national structures, avoid duplications, avoid overwhelming the capacities of local actors and coordinate their activities in order to best support and integrate humanitarian activities in the region. How can the NGO community be accountable to national priorities and support the following four localization processes highlighted within the Charter for Change: the funding streams, the visibility of national actors and their contribution, the quality of 'partnerships', and the objective and effectiveness of 'capacity development' for national actors?

### Session 5: El Nino and the Upcoming Cyclone Season

Session Time: 04:30pm – 05:00pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Kumar Ravind – Director – Fiji Metrological Service

Session Overview: Fiji Meteorological Service continuously monitors weather systems and provide timely advisories of any changes in weather pattern. Fiji MET will provide a provisional TC Seasonal Outlook of expected weather development in the upcoming Wet season and an update on the El Nino Status.

# Day 2 – Tuesday 3 October 2017

## Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Meeting: localization in preparedness and response

### Session 1: Unsolicited Bilateral Donations (UBDs) – “Why Cash is Best?”

Session Time: 9:00am – 10:00am

Presenter / Facilitator: Florent Chane – Logistics Coordinator – World Food Programme

Session Contributors: Catherine Harris – Logistics Manager – IFRC  
Jemma Pietrus – Logistics Officer Volunteer – WFP

Session Overview: Under the Logistics Cluster banner, WFP partners closely with Red Cross, NDMOs, faith-based organisations and the private sector, to demonstrate how Unsolicited Bilateral Donations (UBDs) have a huge negative financial and human resource impact at a local level in the Pacific, and how they hinder, not help, emergency response operations. Although UBDs are often donated under well-meaning intentions, of the hundreds of pallets often sent in the aftermath of a disaster generally only 5-10% generally satisfy urgent needs. This session will raise awareness among humanitarian practitioners about what UBDs are, their impact, how they can be reduced and the role participants can play in preparation for the coming cyclone season, to reduce the UBD burden during the next major disaster. By the end of the session participants will also know where to find reference documents and who to contact to get guidance on the best way to communicate cash is best messaging. They will also have an understanding as to why the issue of UBDs need to be messaged differently at the regional and national level and how this can be achieved.

### Session 2: “Localising Preparedness” – Country Preparedness Package

Session Time: 10:30am – 12:00pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Paula Holland – Regional Technical Specialist Preparedness and Recovery – United Nations Development Programme  
Rashmi Rita – Information Management Officer – United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Session Contributors: Osnat Lubrani – UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative – United Nations  
Tim Langrine – Director - National Disaster Management Office Marshall Islands  
Shadrack Welegtabit – Director – National Disaster Management Office Vanuatu  
Loti Yates – Director – National Disaster Management Office Solomon Islands

Session Overview: The Country Preparedness Package (CPP) is a joint initiative of the Governments of the Pacific Islands and the Pacific Humanitarian Team (PHT). The CPP is intended to strengthen preparedness and collaboration between national and international actors in the event of a disaster. The CPP is a process in which national and international actors can develop and agree upon a country-specific approach for how they will work together in a disaster. Through the process, national actors can become more aware of international tools and services and how they can be activated. This will enable a more ‘demand-driven’ response tailored to the specific context. The PHT initiated the process drawing on lessons learned and as follow up to commitments emerging from the World Humanitarian Summit, with a view to adopting a country-focused approach to preparedness. Currently, two phases of CPP are underway.

The first part of the session will focus achievements and lessons learnt to date on CPP Phase One which seeks to understand, document and share to all existing national processes and structures in disaster management. The intention behind CPP Phase One is to enable humanitarian partners to plan and tailor their support and best fit that support into national systems. To date, CPP Phase One has been rolled out in RMI, Vanuatu and Solomon Islands, and is presently being developed for the Cook Islands. Future work under CPP Phase One is also being planned. By the end of this session, participants will understand how the intent, nature and implementation of CPP Phase One to date and how the work can facilitate humanitarian support to Pacific island countries both pre- and post-disaster.

The second part of the session will explain the CPP Phase Two which focuses on operational contingency planning based on country specific disaster scenarios. The objective is to understand the potential needs of affected populations based on disaster impact model, operational structure and the capacities of national authorities and partners to respond. CPP Phase Two is currently being rolled out for Vanuatu with a national NDMO led contingency planning workshop supported by PHT support teams to be held at the end October. In this session, participants will understand the process and discuss how PHP can collaborate on various components for more integrated preparedness and response action in the Pacific.

### Session 3: "Bridging Divides" – addressing cross-cutting issues in the Clusters

Session Time: 12:00pm – 01:00pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Laisani Savu Petersen – National Program Manager Fiji – United Nations Children's Fund

Session Contributors: Mrs. Rothina Ilo Noka – Gender & Protection Cluster Coordinator – Fiji Department of Women's Affairs  
Cluster Coordinators – PHT

Session Overview: *"There is no humanitarian-development divide at a local level, only whether villages can withstand and overcome the impacts of disasters and have a decent quality of life."* Pacific consultations

Rothina Ilo Noka will open this session providing an example of national leadership in a way that transcends several divides which include: humanitarian and development; cluster lines and work conducted for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR); Climate Change and the Humanitarian agenda in the Pacific. The World Humanitarian Summit consultations emphasised the importance of a better collaboration between Humanitarian and Development actors, doing more with less and to work better toward shared results through a 'new way of working' including those who work outside the Clusters.

To lessen the impact of disasters on the most vulnerable community members across the Pacific region, ALL actors with their respective mandates working in this space must place people at the center of all efforts. To ensure resilience is central to response, recovery and development principles of sustainable development; DRR; climate change and humanitarian agendas need to be well-thought-out to strengthen humanitarian policy, practice for response and preparedness. This session will work with the Cluster Groups, not only to highlight the issues of working across humanitarian-development divide, but to address the challenges, identifying strategies and solutions to transcend the divide. The outcome of the Cluster Group Discussions will be to develop solid and practical solutions to the following cross cutting issues: Coordination of increasing number of actors; accountability to localisation; inclusivity and diversity; commitment to humanitarian principles; allocation of resources; financial reform, institutional mandates and misplaced priorities. The outcome will focus on how clusters address these issues before, during and after emergencies.

## Session 4: Operationalising Reform Commitments in the Pacific

Session Time: 2:00pm – 2:45pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Beth Eggleston – Director – Humanitarian Advisory Group

Session Contributors: Heba Aly – Director – IRIN News  
Christina Bennett – Head, Humanitarian Policy Group – Overseas Development Institute  
Railala Nakabea – Assistant Professor – Fiji National University  
Filipe Nainoca – Director General – Fiji Red Cross

Session Overview: The World Humanitarian Summit provided an opportunity to reform global structures however it is well recognised that there is no “one sized fits all” approach to operationalising reform commitments, and the Pacific is no exception. The main objective of localizing humanitarian aid is to improve outcomes for affected people and reduce transactional costs by minimising the number of steps between donors and recipients. The global to local picture should ensure there is added value for the international component of humanitarian action as the substantial increase in numbers and variety of humanitarian actors has reduced coherence, while also creating challenges for effective principled action. The Pacific Consultations and research undertaken since has highlighted concerns about how to practically emphasise field – led initiatives over top-down policy directives, shift more resources and control of operations to the local level, and how to adequately support supplementary response mechanisms that reinforce national systems. The humanitarian space is shifting thinking to perceive aid recipients as first responders with a local capacity to manage and direct international aid.

This session will look at the systems changes and adaptations at the local and global levels for local and international actors to operate in a new way to meet WHS commitments and increase accountability and the transparency of donors and humanitarian actors. The conversation will make suggestion as to the ways in which the Pacific can demonstrate strengthened coordination for disaster risk management, climate change and the humanitarian agenda in the Pacific, promote effective partnerships and demonstrate practical and clear ways forward for implementing global and regional agreements.

## Session 5: A Turning Point for Cash Transfer Programming in the Pacific

Session Time: 2:45pm – 3:30pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Rajjeli Nicole – Regional Director Pacific – Oxfam in the Pacific  
Anthony Freeman – Country Director – World Food Programme

Session Overview: Cash Transfer Programming (CTP) is still a new concept in the region but organizations such as WFP, UNDP, OXFAM, ADRA to name a few; and governments of Fiji and Vanuatu have been utilizing CTP in their response programming as evident with TC Evan in 2013, TC Pam in 2015 and TC Winston in 2016. The use of cash can be easily misconstrued by development actors and or/gate keepers as something that would further foster a mentality of ‘dependency’ of communities that are already heavily reliant on outside help, therefore undermining local traditional coping structures and mechanisms. However, several global studies have indicated that this is hardly the case as affected communities almost always tend to use cash for the things that they most need. WFP has been a catalyst in trialing cash based programming at a national scale through the use of social protection mechanisms. To augment the need for cash, feasibility studies on the use of Cash will be rolled out in Vanuatu and Fiji in 2017/2018 through partnerships with Save the Children and Oxfam. This session aims to foster greater understanding of CTP in the Pacific, share experiences of CTP and the experience of WFP on shock responsive social safety nets. It also aims to bring awareness to the wider partnership network on the use of cash and the modalities in which it can be delivered.



## Session 6: The Building Blocks for Successful Private Sector Engagement

(Joint Session: Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Meeting; Pacific Climate Change Round Table, Joint Pacific Climate Change Round Table and Pacific Platform for DRR)

Session Time: 04:00pm – 05:00pm

Presenter / Facilitator: Morika Hunter – Chair – Fiji Business Disaster Resilience Council

Session Contributors: Alisi Tuqa – General Manager – Pacific Island Private Sector Organization – Pacific Business Resilience Network  
Leonard Chan – Vice-chair – Fiji Business Disaster Resilience Council  
Hafiz Khan – Interim Chair – Pacific Business Resilience Network  
Miri Brown – Resilient Development Coordinator – Pacific Island Private Sector Organization

Session Overview: Some of the most significant impacts of climate change and disasters in the Pacific are experienced by businesses. In fact, 1 in 4 businesses do not survive after a large disaster strikes (Civil Defence Wellington Region Emergency Management Office, 2017). On the other hand, there is a great opportunity for the private sector to be a substantive partner supporting communities to build their resilience and respond to emergencies, and for their contributions to be better utilised by government and partners.

During this session, participants will hear from businesses who have established coordinating mechanisms and broken down institutional barriers to ensure that they are better prepared, and are better able to engage in emergency response and resilience building. The session will explore what it means to private sector to establish durable partnerships with Government, partners and communities throughout different phases of the disaster cycle. This will be achieved by unpacking some of the key success factors and lessons learned from private sector engagement initiatives, that can then be adopted across the region. The session will also showcase some of the tools, guidelines and assessments that have been developed to support private sector at the country level.

## Day Two Side Session: Strengthening UNDAC's Presence in the Pacific


Session Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm










Presenter / Facilitator: George Murray – Humanitarian Affairs Officer Field Coordination Support Section – Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Session Overview: Given the risk posed by natural disasters to Pacific nations and the unique operational capacity that UNDAC offers, this session will deliberate and agree on an UNDAC strategy for the Pacific. This is in line with ongoing discussions with Emergency Managers from the Pacific, who have identified the need to strengthen the system and contextualize it to the Pacific with the realization that strengthening this mechanism can only be achieved if it is aligned to countries preparedness and response priorities. This session will seek to agree on a strategy to develop a stronger donor support base for the strategy but also ensure that Pacific Islands develop a sense of ownership of the UNDAC multilateral system, as a first line of response. This session will propose a strategy for revitalizing the UNDAC system in the Pacific region. The desired outcome is acceptance by the key partners such as the NDMO's, regional organizations and agencies, and the donor community. This will include a commitment to a series of UNDAC related training events over the next three years.

# Cluster/Sector Coordination Contact Points

Several Pacific countries have established their own national clusters or working groups that are responsible for coordinating disaster preparedness and response in their sector. The Pacific Humanitarian Team (PHT) fully recognizes and supports these national structures. The following are the contact points identified in each country by the PHT Cluster Support Teams.

		 Health & Nutrition	 WASH	 Food Security	 Shelter	 Education	 Protection	 Logistics	 Early Recovery	 ETC
Fiji	Government Lead	Ministry of Health	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	Ministry of Agriculture	Ministry of Local Government Housing & Environment	Ministry of Education Heritage and Arts	Ministry for Women	Ministry of Economy through the NDMO		Ministry of Infrastructure
	National Cluster/ Working Group	Health and Nutrition Cluster	WASH Cluster	Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster	Shelter Cluster	Education Cluster	Safety and Protection Cluster	Logistics Cluster		Communications Cluster (note: NDMO)
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO, UNICEF	UNICEF	FAO/WFP	IFRC and Habitat for Humanity Fiji (Build Back Safer and trainings)	UNICEF, Save the Children	UN Women & UNICEF	WFP		WFP
Papua New Guinea	Government Lead	National Department of Health	Ministry of Health	Department of Agriculture						
	National Cluster/ Working Group	Health Cluster, Nutrition Cluster	WASH Cluster	Food Security and Agriculture Cluster				Logistics Cluster		
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO, UNICEF	UNICEF, World Vision	FAO, WFP				WFP		
Solomon Islands	Government Lead	National Referral Hospital Ministry of Health and Medical Services	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MAL)	Ministry of Infrastructure Development	Ministry of Education Human Resource Development	Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs (MWYCFA)	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology through the NDMO		Under-Secretary, Ministry of Communications and Aviation (MCA). Under-Secretary, Ministry of Infrastructure and Development (MID).
	National Cluster/ Working Group	Solomon Islands Health and Nutrition Committee	WASH Sector	Livelihoods Committee	Shelter Sub-Committee (under Infrastructure Committee)	Education Committee	Protection Committee	Logistics Functional Team		Infrastructure Committee (note: Solomon Islands is revising its disaster management arrangements and now their national 'clusters' are referred to as 'committees')
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO, UNICEF	UNICEF	FAO, WFP	IFRC and Solomon Islands Red Cross (preparedness)	UNICEF & Save the Children	OXFAM SOLS	WFP		WFP
Vanuatu	Government Lead		Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development	Public Works Department	Ministry of Education	Ministry for Justice & Community Affairs	Ministry of Climate Change and Adaptation through the NDMO		Chief Information Officer, Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO), Prime Minister's Office
	National Cluster/ Working group	Vanuatu Health and Nutrition Cluster	WASH Cluster	Food Security and Agriculture Cluster	Shelter Cluster	Education Cluster	Protection Cluster	Logistics Cluster		National Emergency Tele-communications Cluster (NETC)
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO, UNICEF	UNICEF	FAO/WFP	IFRC	UNICEF	Save the Children Australia & CARE International	WFP		WFP
Federated States of Micronesia	Government Lead	Public Health	Chuuk Public Utility Corporation Kosrae Utility Authority Pohnpei Utilities Corporation Yap Public Service Corporation							
	National Cluster/ Working Group									
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO Country Liaison Office (also covers Palau and RMI)								
Kiribati	Government Lead	Public Health	Ministry of Public Works and Utilities							
	National Cluster/ Working Group	Health and Nutrition	National Drought Committee National Water and Sanitation Coordination Committee							
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO Country Office	UNICEF							

		 Health & Nutrition	 WASH	 Food Security	 Shelter	 Education	 Protection	 Logistics	 Early Recovery	 ETC
Marshall Islands	Government Lead		Majuro Water and Sewerage Company	Ministry of Resource & Development (Department of Agriculture)	Ministry of Internal Affairs			Transportation/ Finance	Ministry of Public Work	
	National Cluster/ Working Group		WASH Cluster	Food Security & Agriculture Cluster	Shelter Cluster			Logistic Cluster	Infrastructure Cluster	
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner		IOM, SPC	FAO, WFP, SPC, UNICEF	IFRC			IOM	UNDP	
Nauru	Government Lead		Ministry of Infrastructure							
	National Cluster/ Working Group									
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner									
Palau	Government Lead		Ministry of Public Work and Utilities							
	National Cluster/ Working Group		Palau Water Safety Plan committee							
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner									
Cook Islands	Government Lead	Ministry of Health	Department of Water Works Ministry of Works	Ministry of Agriculture						
	National Cluster/ Working Group		Cook Islands Water Safety Plan committee	Cook Islands Food Security Cluster						
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO	SPC National Water Security Officer	FAO, WFP						
Niue	Government Lead	Ministry of Health	Ministry of Works							
	National Cluster/ Working Group		Niue Water Safety Plan committee							
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO								
Samoa	Government Lead	Ministry of Health	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment	Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries	Welfare & IDP Sub committee			Logistics Sub-Committee under the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management (MCDEM) through the NDMO		Ministry of Communication and Information Technology (MCIT), Office of the Regulator (OOTR), Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment (MNRE)
	National Cluster/ Working Group		Water Sector Coordination Unit Water Sector Steering Committee		Shelter Sub-Committee					Tele-communications Emergency Committee (TEC)
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO	OXFAM NZ	FAO, WFP	IFRC			WFP		WFP
Tokelau	Government Lead		Economic Development, Natural Resources & Environment (EDNRE)							
	National Cluster/ Working Group									
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner		SPC National Water Security Officer							
Tonga	Government Lead	Ministry of Health (note: Health, WASH and Nutrition are in one cluster)	Ministry of Health	Ministry of Agriculture, Food Forestry and Fisheries	National Emergency Management Office	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Internal Affairs	Ministry of Works and Disaster Management through the NEMO		CEO, Ministry of Public Enterprise (MPE)
	National Cluster/ Working Group		WASH Cluster	Food Security and Livelihood Cluster	Shelter Cluster	Education Cluster		Logistics Cluster		Essential Services Cluster (note: covers Power, Water, Tele-communications)
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner	WHO (Health) UNICEF and OXFAM NZ (WASH)	UNICEF, OXFAM NZ	FAO, WFP	IFRC	UNICEF		WFP		WFP
Tuvalu	Government Lead		Ministry of Public Works							
	National Cluster/ Working Group		WASH Cluster							
	Co-Lead Humanitarian Partner		SPC* National Water Security Officer							

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# Facilitator and Presenter Bios

## **Mark Mitchell – Senior Humanitarian Programmes Coordinator – Caritas Aotearoa NZ**

Mark Mitchell is the Senior Humanitarian Programmes Coordinator at Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand where he has worked for the last six years. In that time, he has gained a greater understanding of the Pacific and strengthened relationships with the various local and international partners active in the region. Mark has responded to a wide range of humanitarian emergencies and conflicts across Africa, Europe and Asia as well as most recently supporting local Caritas partners in the Vanuatu and Fiji following Cyclones Pam and Winston. He has also worked with partners to enhance preparedness across the Caritas confederation. Mark also Chairs the NGO Disaster Relief Forum (NDRF) in New Zealand, a collection of 16 NZ based organisations and observers that provide a collective civil society voice and enable the sharing of support and promotion of best practice across its members.

## **Finau Heuifanga Limuloa – Pacific Disaster Law Delegate – International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies**

Finau Heuifanga Limuloa, who is known to many as the soft spoken, gentle, poised, intelligent and fun loving lady carries the Pacific in the highest regard. She hails from Kologa, Tongatabu i Tonga, born and raised in New Zealand, but returned to Tonga and worked in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a Senior Assistant Secretary/ UN Legal Officer and has private sector experience as a barrister and solicitor both in Tonga and in New Zealand. She is a graduate of 5 Universities, the Victoria University in Wellington, the University of Hong Kong, University of Oxford, University of the South Pacific and the International Tribunal of the Law of the sea. The mother of twin boys has lived and served in Fiji as the Disaster Law and Partnership Manager formally known with the International Federation of Red Cross for nearly six years looking after Disaster Law programme work in the Pacific region. In her capacity as a Legal Adviser/ Disaster Law advisor, Finau has worked in various countries in the Pacific to ensure that the government and its Parliaments are aware and understand the International Disaster Response Law (IDRL) and International Humanitarian Law (IHL), as well as ensuring that the leaders of our Pacific Island nations fully adhere to these laws but also ensuring that the influence from outside of the Pacific is in line with the international laws and guidelines.

## **Noelene Nabulivou – Political Adviser – Diverse Voices and Action for Equality – Fiji**

Noelene Nabulivou is the Political Adviser to Diverse Voices and Action (DIVA) for Equality in Fiji. She is a grassroots educator, feminist researcher, activist and social organiser in Fiji and the Pacific. Noelene has worked for over 30 years to strongly affirm and protect universal human rights, and advance Pacific led transformative approaches to sexual and reproductive rights, gender, social, economic, ecological and climate justice - building and sharing knowledge, experience and skills in local, national, regional, economic south and global spaces. DIVA for Equality concentrates its work in urban poor communities, rural and remote constituencies, and with women and people with diverse sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, as well as wider women-led social organising in Pacific small island states. Noelene works to highlight and better connect Pacific women's civil society and social movement positions into national policy spaces and also intergovernmental regional and global negotiation processes including Commission on the Status of Women, High Level Political Forum and the SDGs, the UNFCCC climate change COP processes, and ICPD, among others. DIVA for Equality co-convenes a regional Gender, climate change and SD coalition (PPGCCSD), We Rise Coalition (with femLINKPACIFIC, FWRM and IWDA); the Pacific Feminist SRHR Coalition and is a founder/on the Working Group of new Pacific CSO Engagement Mechanism (PACCOM), etc. DIVA for Equality is also the Women's Major Group PSIDS Organizing Partner (2017-2019) and the Women and Gender Constituency (WGC) Liaison to the UNFCCC COP23 Presidency. Noelene sits on the Mama Cash Board (Global), the UNDP Global Civil Society Advisory Committee (CSAC) and is an adviser to the UN Women Pacific Civil Society Advisory Group. Noelene has a double degree in International relations and Peacebuilding from University of New England, and Diploma in Community Arts Management. She lives and works from Suva, Fiji.

## **Tu Tangi – Senior Programme Manager – MFAT**

Tu is originally from the Cook Islands but was raised in New Zealand. Tu was one of the first graduates of The Asia Foundation/SOPAC Scholarship Programme for Post Graduate Certificate in Disaster Management from Swinburne University of Technology (Australia). He is currently working towards a Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Management. Tu has over 20 years' experience working in the field of disaster risk management at local, sub-national, national and regional level across multiple facets. He also has several years' experience working for aid development programmes including AusAID/DFAT and MFAT. Tu is married to Neisau and together they have two children, Serah and John. His hobbies include exercising and advocating against NCDs, and supporting the All Blacks.



### **Iris Low-McKenzie – CEO – Save the Children Fiji**

Iris Low-McKenzie has over six years' experience working in the Fiji civil society sector and five years of experience working with the Australian Aid Program. Iris previously worked with Save the Children Fiji for three years before joining the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Her background is in sociology and population studies/demography with a postgraduate diploma in Social Policy and Administration.

### **Florent Chane – Logistics Coordinator – World Food Programme**

A Franco-Australian dual citizen, Florent joined the World Food Programme in September 2015 to open the Pacific Office located in Suva, Fiji. Florent has over 16 years' experience in emergency response and logistics. After an initial 8 years in the commercial sector, he started his humanitarian career in conflict affected areas for 4 years in Africa and then HQ with Action Against Hunger (South Sudan, Liberia, DRC Congo, Burundi). He then moved to Australia to join the Australian Red Cross for 3 years before crossing over to join the French Red Cross in New Caledonia where he set up the regional emergency response platform (PIROPS). WFP recruited him for a first consultancy in Vanuatu where he put together the first Logistics Capacity Assessments (LCA) for the country, before heading to work as part for the Global Log Cluster Support Cell (GLCSC) in WFP Rome. He opened logistics clusters in Mali, Mauritania, Central Africa and Pakistan. Finally, and before now being in the Pacific, Florent worked for 3 years as the Asia-Pacific Zone Logistics Coordinator for the International Federation of Red Cross (IFRC) in Kuala Lumpur, mostly implementing logistics preparedness projects as well as managing large disaster responses and In-kind mobilisation at global level (Haiyan in Philippines or Nepal EQ). Florent has led logistics responses as part of various regional disaster response teams in the Pacific in Samoa EQ (2009), Wallis and Futuna (Cyclone Tomas 2010) Cyclone Pam (Vanuatu 2015) and more recently Cyclone Winston here in Fiji, and has consequently an extensive knowledge of the logistics in the Pacific region.

### **Paula Holland – Regional Technical Specialist Preparedness and Recovery – United Nations Development Programme**

Paula Holland is a development practitioner with 26 years' experience conducting economic analysis for sustainable development and risk management (climate change adaptation and disaster risk management). Her work experience includes work in national government and academia in Australia and northern Europe, as well as approaching 16 years' experience working with intergovernmental agencies in the Pacific. Paula's work has covered issues such as cost benefit analysis of alternative risk management interventions, economic valuation and assessment of disasters, and the costing of policies, such as national disaster risk management action plans. She also has considerable experience in building the capacity of Pacific island government staff in natural resource economics. The scope of her work experience is wide, covering sectors such as fisheries, waste management, natural hazards, climate change adaptation and conservation. Paula has a Master of Science in Rural Resources and Environmental Policy (Imperial College) and an Honours degree in Economics and Geography specialising in resource economics.

### **Rashmi Rita – Information Management Officer – United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs**

Rashmi works for OCHA Pacific as Information Management Officer since 2012. She has been involved preparedness and response support in information Management for all major disasters in South Pacific for the last 5 years. Her expertise is in Geo-Spatial technologies as well as database management systems.

### **Mrs. Rothina Ilo Noka – Gender & Protection Cluster Coordinator – Fiji Department of Women's Affairs**

Disasters exacerbate pre-existing barriers and inequalities for women. This exposes them to even greater risks in their multiple roles as food producers and providers, health guardians, economic actors and care-givers. Globally, women tend to hold less negotiating power and control over resources than men, which leads to the lack of access to decision-making processes and consistently makes them more vulnerable to the impacts of disasters. Without the full participation and contribution of women in decision-making and leadership, real community resilience to disasters cannot be achieved. Rothina's role as the Gender Protection Cluster Coordinator is to strengthen the National Government's efforts to broaden and strengthen opportunities for women's inclusion, and making full use of women's leadership capabilities in DRR. She strongly believes that the inequalities encountered by women can be eliminated through coordinated partnerships with community leaders at the local community, subnational, national and regional level by committing to collective actions that put women's protection and risks at the center of all development. Her education background includes a BA Degree in Public Policy and Administration from the University of Papua New Guinea and a MA in Social Change and Development studies from the University of New Castle in Australia. She has a vast working experience in both the Government and Non-Government sectors on Gender mainstreaming and Development.

### **Laisani Savu Petersen – National Program Manager Fiji – United Nations Children's Fund**

A Social Work graduate from the University of Western Sydney, Laisani worked as a social worker with the Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation for 14 years. Laisani managed an AusAID-funded regional Child Protection Programme in the Pacific from 2001-2006 and joined UNICEF in 2007 as a Child Protection programme development officer. She provides the needed Technical Assistance to strengthen Child Protection Social Services systems and societal behavioural change toward the better protection of children from violence of all forms. Laisani is also the focal point for Child Protection in Emergencies and with partners developed a Pacific Specific Child Protection in Emergencies Toolkit which has been rolled out in Tonga, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Palau, RMI, and FSM.

### **Beth Eggleston – Director – Humanitarian Advisory Group**

Beth has held key humanitarian coordination roles in a range in peace operations and humanitarian response contexts. For more than eighteen years, Beth has worked in the humanitarian sector specialising in civil-military coordination and humanitarian reform. Beth has long-term field experience in Afghanistan, Liberia, Tonga, Costa Rica, Laos PDR, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam. Whilst working with the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA) in Afghanistan for several years, Beth developed civil-military guidance, policy on interaction with Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs) and was involved in rolling out humanitarian reform, including the cluster approach. Beth also has experience working alongside host governments, including the National Disaster Management Offices, with local and international NGOs, and has been on short-term deployments to Pakistan, Solomon Islands, Indonesia, and Sri Lanka.

### **Mr. Anthony Freeman – Director of Pacific Office – United Nations World Food Programme**

Mr. Freeman has been involved in humanitarian work for the past 25 years, with long-standing experience in emergency preparedness and response. Currently he is the World Food Programme (WFP) Director for the Pacific Office based in Suva, Fiji. Mr. Freeman, commenced working for WFP in 1995 under Operation Lifeline Sudan as Head of Airfield Operations. During the period 1995 to 2000, WFP's Aviation unit provided air transportation services – passenger and cargo – to over 450 different locations scattered across war-torn southern Sudan. Moving into mainstream logistics functions in 2000, Anthony has since served WFP in Somalia, Eritrea, Kenya, Afghanistan, Rome, Sudan and Iraq. In Sudan and Iraq, he served as Head of Supply Chain and was responsible for the oversight of major Procurement and Transportation portfolios. During his time with WFP, he has been deployed to several emergency response missions in Mozambique, Pakistan and Somalia taking on senior roles within Logistics. From 2010 to 2012 as the Deputy of Logistics Development unit in WFP HQ Rome, he was responsible for building WFP's internal logistics capacity, developing and facilitating specialised training platforms and simulation exercises.

### **Raijeli Nicole – Regional Director Pacific – Oxfam in the Pacific**

Raijeli, is a Fijian national with a Masters in International Law and Politics. Raijeli worked in New Zealand for the Department of Internal Affairs, where she led the Pacific Community Post Earthquake Recovery Strategy following the 2011 Christchurch earthquake. She also led the Asia Pacific women's rights advocacy organisation Isis International, based in the Philippines.

### **Morika Hunter – Chair – Fiji Business Disaster Resilience Council (FBDR)**

Morika Hunter is the Chair of the Fiji Business Disaster Resilience Council (FBDR), and the Head of Business for the mobile telecommunications company Digicel, in the Fiji Islands. Morika is passionate about supporting small and medium sized businesses to improve their resilience to ensure they can continue to operate and provide essential services to communities after disaster events. Morika has been integral in establishing numerous public private partnerships in Fiji, securing a seat for the private sector on the national disaster management council, and mobilising resources for nationwide business continuity planning training. She has represented Fiji and Pacific Business Council's at the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Pacific Humanitarian Partnership Week, will soon host a side event at COP23. Morika was previously the Director of Sales and Marketing for the Fiji Broadcasting Company and the founder and owner of the Tui Tai Adventure Cruises, and holds a degree in Business from the Hawaii Pacific University.

### **George Murray – Humanitarian Affairs Officer Field Coordination Support Section – Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs**

George Murray has 20 years of humanitarian experience and joined UN OCHA in 2002. He has worked in Angola, Afghanistan, East Timor, Sudan, DPRK, Nepal, amongst others and spent 3 years as OCHA's Regional Disaster Response Advisor (RDRA) for the Middle East and North Africa. He has been involved in numerous natural disaster responses during these years, and has been an UNDAC member since 2006. George is currently based in Geneva with OCHA's Field Coordination Support Section (FCSS) and his responsibilities include UNDAC and INSARAG coverage for the Americas, Caribbean and the Pacific. He is also the focal point globally for all UNDAC training activities.

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## Agenda at a Glance

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Session / Topic</i>	<i>Facilitator</i>	<i>Side Session</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2-Oct</b>			
8:30	9:00	Registration	UNOCHA	
9:00	9:30	Welcome and Opening of Pacific Resilience Week (Group Photo)	UNOCHA	
9:30	11:00	"Bringing Meaning to Localisation in the Pacific"	CARITAS AOTEAROA NZ	
11:00	11:30	MORNING BREAK		
11:30	12:30	"Taking Control of the Response" – moving from a culture of reaction to a culture of prevention	NDMO FIJI, NDMO VANUATU, IFRC	
12:30	13:30	"This is what a Humanitarian looks like"	UN WOMEN, DIVA FOR EQUALITY	
13:30	14:30	LUNCH		
14:30	16:00	"Localisation and Accountability to an Outcome" - NGO and CSO engagement and coordination	OXFAM	
16:00	16:30	AFTERNOON BREAK		
16:30	17:00	El Nino and the Upcoming Cyclone Season	FIJI MET	
17:00	18:00	END OF DAYTIME SESSIONS		
18:00	20:00	Joint Welcome and Opening	UNOCHA, SPC, UNISDR, SPREP	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>3-Oct</b>			
8:30	9:00	Recap on the previous day	UNOCHA	
9:00	10:00	"Unsolicited Bilateral Donations (UBDs)" – Why Cash is Best	WFP	
10:00	10:30	MORNING BREAK		
10:30	12:00	"Localising Preparedness" - Country Preparedness Package	UNDP & UNOCHA	
12:00	13:00	"Bridging Divides" – addressing cross-cutting issues in the Clusters	UNICEF	Strengthening UNDAC's Presence in the Pacific
13:00	14:00	LUNCH		
14:00	15:30	1. "Operationalising Reform Commitments in the Pacific" & 2. "A Turning Point for Cash Transfer Programming in the Pacific"	1. HAG 2. WFP & OXFAM	
15:30	16:00	AFTERNOON BREAK		
16:00	17:00	"The Building Blocks for Successful Private Sector Engagement "	UNDP	
17:00	17:30	Meeting Closure	UNOCHA	
17:30	18:00	END OF DAYTIME SESSIONS		