



CLIMATE ACTION PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE

In coordination with the Pacific Resilience Partnership



29 - 30 APRIL 2019

Grand Pacific Hotel, Suva, Fiji

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The third Climate Action Pacific Partnership Conference (CAPP III) will be held on 29 and 30 April, 2019 at the Grand Pacific Hotel in Suva, Fiji. The traditional welcome will take place on the evening of 28 April, 2019.

Emphasising the need for urgency as we fast approach 2020, and the actions required to keep the 1.5 °C target alive, CAPP III sessions will be framed around the [Talanoa Call for Action](#) that was presented at COP24 in Poland last year. The conference will also be a platform to amplify the voice of Pacific Island Countries in the [UN Climate Summit](#) in September this year.

Participants will be engaged in two days of lively discussions on how climate action can be accelerated, and transformative changes achieved in the Pacific, and how this can inspire action globally. Discussions will also capture efforts made to increase resilience in Pacific Island Countries and support the work of the [Pacific Resilience Partnership Taskforce](#). Progressing the work of the Regional Pacific NDC Hub and the Ocean Pathway will be areas of focus in the conference.

The CAPP Conference is organised back-to-back with the [Pacific Resilience Meeting \(PRM\)](#) and the EU-GCCA+ meeting. The three meetings are planned to complement and build upon each other, with sessions flowing from one event to the other. The week will start with CAPP III on 29 and 30 April where the conference will highlight linkages to international and regional climate action processes that are currently underway. The PRM and the EU-GCCA+ meeting will take place from 1st to 3rd May. The PRM meeting will discuss operational and practitioner-level issues and share experiences relating to the implementation of the three goals of the [Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific](#) (FRDP).

Also taking place on this week is the 52nd annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The [ADB annual meeting](#) will be held from 1 – 5 May in Denarau, Fiji.

PARTICIPANTS

CAPP III will bring together around 300 participants from the Pacific region and internationally. Participants will represent different sectors, coming from various organisations including - government, private sector, non-governmental organisations, civil society organisations, development partners, regional organisations and faith-based groups. Leaders from Pacific Small Island Developing States (P-SIDS) will also be attending.

With restricted space, this is an invite-only conference with numbers limited to two per organisation. Special consideration may be given to ensure balanced and fair representation of sectors and gender.



CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES & SESSIONS

The CAPP conferences are organised to help mobilise the partnerships and investment needed to accelerate climate action in the Pacific. These climate actions are geared towards contributing to the achievement of the more ambitious target of keeping global temperature increase to within 1.5 degrees Celsius and strengthening the resilience of our Pacific Island communities.

Under this overarching objective, the CAPP III sessions will focus specifically on –

1. Identifying instruments and strategies to support the enhancement and implementation of NDCs
2. Showcasing opportunities and innovative approaches to access and mobilise climate financing and investments in the Pacific
3. Advancing the Ocean Pathway and increasing recognition on the Ocean's important role of in accelerating climate action
4. Determining appropriate mechanisms to address climate risks and loss and damage in the Pacific and the emerging issue of climate security
5. Presenting an overview of climate action plans developed in the thematic areas of the CAPP
6. Establishing linkages with the UN Climate Summit taking place in September 2019, to ensure a strong Pacific voice at the event
7. Developing a Pacific climate roadmap to 2020

OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME

Day 1 Monday 29 April

The opening session will include high-level statements from PSIDS leaders and video messages from climate leaders and champions from around the world. Pacific heads of delegations and representatives from key non-party stakeholder organisations will also share statements through the day.

The first day will also see an array of experts from different sectors sharing their knowledge and experiences on opportunities and developments in the Pacific relating to – the enhancement and implementation of NDCs, innovative climate financing, advancing the Ocean Pathway, and on managing climate risks. This will be conducted through interactive panel and plenary discussions.

During the session change-overs, school children from different schools in Suva will be sharing their climate messages to participants through song and dance.

Day 2 Tuesday 30 April

The CAPP technical working groups will present their thematic climate action plans, including any sectoral inputs contributing to the enhancement of NDCs and to overall resilience.



Day 2 will also include breakout working sessions to draft key messages to be taken to the [UN Climate Summit](#) in September, New York. The working sessions will be organised around the key focus areas of the UN Climate Summit.



Pacific climate security and displacement issues will receive close attention, with a panel of experts sharing their perspectives on this important emerging issue. The final session for the conference will include a presentation on the Pacific climate roadmap to 2020.

The conference is anticipated to officially end at 3.45pm.

EVENTS PRIOR TO, AND ON THE FRINGES OF THE CONFERENCE

Late March – early April

CAPP Technical Working groups (TWG)

TWGs of the CAPP will meet for a day in Suva to update each other on their climate action plans and prepare their presentations for the CAPP conference.

Friday 26 and Saturday 27 April

Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)

Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat meeting room

In the lead up to the PSDS leaders meeting, Pacific senior officials will meet in Suva, on Friday 26th and Saturday 27th April. The senior officials meeting is largely made up of senior climate negotiators of Pacific Island Countries.

Friday 26 April

Pacific Regional NDC Hub evening event

6.00pm, venue tbc

An evening reception to showcase the progress made on the operationalisation of the Pacific Regional NDC Hub will be held in conjunction with the SOM.

Sunday 28 April

Traditional Welcome Ceremony

5.30pm, Grand Pacific Hotel

The traditional welcome will take place from 5.30 – 6.30pm at the Grand Pacific Hotel. This will be followed by a welcome reception.



Monday 29 April

Ocean and Climate evening event

6.30pm, Fiji Museum

A reception with drinks, finger food and entertainment, will be held at the Fiji Museum at 6.30pm. The function provides an opportunity for informal discussions on the Ocean Pathway and blue carbon initiatives and learning more from experts on climate actions taken in this sector. All conference participants are welcome to attend.

Tuesday 30 April

Breakfast event: Achieving Just Transformation in the Pacific

7.00am – 8.30am, Grand Pacific Hotel.

A breakfast event on the topic - “Achieving Just Transformation” will be held at the Grand Pacific Hotel from 7.00am to 8.30am with the session taking place from 7.15 – 8.15am. The event aims to discuss the social issues that are seen as crucial to address on the journey towards a net-zero emissions society. Expert speakers will share their knowledge and experiences relating to decent work, just transition, gender, and health. All conference participants are invited to attend.

PSDIS Leaders meeting (closed meeting)

Taking place in parallel to the CAPP breakout sessions from 11.30am – 12.30pm

PRM opening reception and launch of the exhibition

6.30 pm to 8.30 pm, USP Oceania Centre

The Pacific Resilience Meeting opening reception and an exhibition on human mobility and displacement will take place at the USP Oceania Centre from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm. All conference participants are invited.

Supporting partners

The CAPP conference is made possible through generous funding from the Governments of Germany, Australia, and United Kingdom and supporting development partners.

Further information

For further information, please visit <https://cop23.com.fj/capp-2019/> or email info@cop23.com.fj

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