

United Nations Development Programme

Country: Cook Islands PROJECT DOCUMENT1

Project Title:

Akamatutu'anga i te iti tangata no te tuatau manakokore ia e te taui'anga

reva - Strengthening the Resilience of our Islands and our Communities

to Climate Change (SRIC - CC)

Executing Entity/Implementing Partner: Climate Change Coordination Unit and Emergency Management Cook Islands. Office of the Prime Minister

Implementing Entity/Responsible Partners: United Nations Development Program

Programme Period: 2012-2017

Atlas Award ID:

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Project ID:

00079524

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4596

Start date:

1 May 2012

End Date

1 May 2017

Total resources required: USD 4,960,000

Regular

Other

Adaptation Fund:

USD 4,960,000

Agreed by (Government):

Jim Gosselin

Secretary of Foreign Affairs

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration

Matai Date: 20/04/12 Acting Secretary

Cleared by MARTA MONEO

Agreed by (Executing Entity/Implementing Partner):

Date:

Nileema Noble

UN Resident Representative MCO

Cook Islands, Niue, Samoa & Tokelau

UNDAF Outcome: Outcome 4: The mainstreaming of environmental sustainability and sustainable energy into regional and national policies, planning frameworks and programmes; and Pacific communities sustainably using their environment, natural resources and cultural heritage

UNDP Strategic Plan Environment and Sustainable Development Primary Outcome: Promote climate change adaptation

UNDP Strategic Plan Secondary Outcome: Strengthened capacity of developing countries to mainstream climate change adaptation policies into national development plans.

Expected CP Outcome(s):

4.1.1. & 4.2.1 The environment-economic-governance nexus demonstrated through community-based natural resource management and use that supports implementation of gender-sensitive national policies as well as the mainstreaming of environment into national plans.

Expected CPAP Output (s)

Community and institutional MDG-based planning activities to integrate climate change and environmental challenges, including natural disasters into community development plans

Brief Description

The objective of the programme is to strengthen the ability of all Cook Island communities, and the public service, to make informed decisions and manage anticipated climate change driven pressures (including extreme events) in a pro-active, integrated and strategic manner. In achieving this objective, the programme will support, at the national, sectoral, and island levels, implementation of the Cook Islands' new JNAP for DRM and CCA.

The proposed programme will also contribute to all outcomes listed within the 2 objectives of the Adaptation Fund Strategic Results Framework (AFB/EFC.2/3 from 31 August 2010), and corresponds particularly to the following higher order fund-level outputs:

- Output 1.1. Risk and vulnerability assessments conducted and updated at national level;
- Output 1.2 Targeted population groups covered by adequate risk reduction systems;
- Output 1.3 Targeted population groups participating in adaptation and risk reduction awareness activities; and
- Output 2.2 Vulnerable physical, natural and social assets strengthened in response to climate change impacts, including variability.
- Output 2.4. Targeted individual and community livelihood strategies strengthened in relation to climate change impacts, including variability

The programme has a three-pronged approach, focusing on the implementation of on-the ground adaptation and disaster risk reduction measures at island and community levels, integrated with sustainable island development processes and supported through enhanced national institutional and knowledge management capacities and initiatives. The four components of the Programme are strongly integrated.

The strengthening, engagement and coordination of key institutions at national, island and community levels will combine with the integration of both DRR and CCA in national, island and community policies, plans and work programmes, and with training of key players at national, island and community levels, to ensure the success of interventions designed to enhance island and community resilience to climate change, including climate-related disasters. These actions will be supported by, and contribute to, knowledge management initiatives.

The programme will implement those aspects of the new Joint National Action Plan for CCA and DRM that are consistent with the Island Development Plans of the Pa Enua. Particularly, it will support the integration of climate change considerations into national and sectoral policies and related instruments. These will, in turn, guide preparation and implementation of island level climate-change adaptation and disaster risk management action plans.

LEGAL CONTEXT

Standard text has been inserted in the template. It should be noted that although there is no specific statement on the responsibility for the safety and security of the executing agency in the SBAA and the supplemental provisions, the second paragraph of the inserted text should read in line with the statement as specified in SBAA and the supplemental provision, i.e. "the Parties may agree that an Executing Agency shall assume primary responsibility for execution of a project."

This document together with the CPAP signed by the Government and UNDP which is incorporated by reference constitute together the instrument envisaged in the <u>Supplemental Provisions</u> to the Project Document, attached hereto.

Consistent with the above Supplemental Provisions, the responsibility for the safety and security of the implementing partner and its personnel and property, and of UNDP's property in the implementing partner's custody, rests with the implementing partner.

The implementing partner shall:

- a) put in place an appropriate security plan and maintain the security plan, taking into account the security situation in the country where the project is being carried;
- b) assume all risks and liabilities related to the implementing partner's security, and the full implementation of the security plan.

UNDP reserves the right to verify whether such a plan is in place, and to suggest modifications to the plan when necessary. Failure to maintain and implement an appropriate security plan as required hereunder shall be deemed a breach of this agreement.

The implementing partner agrees to undertake all reasonable efforts to ensure that none of the UNDP funds received pursuant to the Project Document are used to provide support to individuals or entities associated with terrorism and that the recipients of any amounts provided by UNDP hereunder do not appear on the list maintained by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999). The list can be accessed via http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1267/1267ListEng.htm. This provision must be included in all sub-contracts or sub-agreements entered into under this Project Document.

This project forms part of an overall programmatic framework under which several separate associated country level activities will be implemented. When assistance and support services are provided from this Project to the associated country level activities, this document shall be the "Project Document" instrument referred to in: (ii) in the Supplemental Provisions attached to the Project Document in cases where the recipient country has not signed an SBAA with UNDP, attached hereto and forming an integral part hereof.

This project will be implemented by the agency (name of agency) ("Implementing Partner") in accordance with its financial regulations, rules, practices and procedures only to the extent that they do not contravene the principles of the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP. Where the financial governance of an Implementing Partner does not provide the required guidance to ensure best value for money, fairness, integrity, transparency, and effective international competition, the financial governance of UNDP shall apply.

The responsibility for the safety and security of the Implementing Partner and its personnel and property, and of UNDP's property in the Implementing Partner's custody, rests with the Implementing Partner. The Implementing Partner shall: (a) put in place an appropriate security plan and maintain the security plan, taking into account the security situation in the country where the project is being carried; (b) assume all risks and liabilities related to the Implementing Partner's security, and the full implementation of the security plan. UNDP reserves the right to verify whether such a plan is in place, and to suggest modifications to the plan when necessary. Failure to maintain and implement an appropriate security plan as required hereunder shall be deemed a breach of this agreement.

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