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Progress report against outcomes from HoF15

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Overview

- Refer to:
 - **Information Paper 1:** Progress against outcomes from HoF15
 - **WP 1:** SPC FAME results reporting 2023
 - **WP 3:** SPC FAME priorities and emerging work areas in 2024
 - **IP 2:** Update on regional aquaculture strategy and review of regional aquatic biosecurity framework
- Overview:
 - Progress against HoF15 outcomes
- Q&A



Highlights

- Over 100 delegates from 25 PICTs and 16 different organisations
- 8 working papers, 14 country and territory updates, 20 Information papers, 12 background papers
- Key items during HoF15:
 - SPC FAME priorities and emerging work areas for 2023
 - Future arrangements for HoF
 - Supporting members to review Regional Roadmap and New Song
 - Climate Change activities
 - Regional aquaculture strategy and aquatic biosecurity framework
 - Report from the 5th RTMCFA and 2nd CBFD
 - SPC Flagship programmes – Oceans, Gender, Climate Change and Food Systems
- 12 requests for action by SPC FAME, 10 delivered, 2 progressing



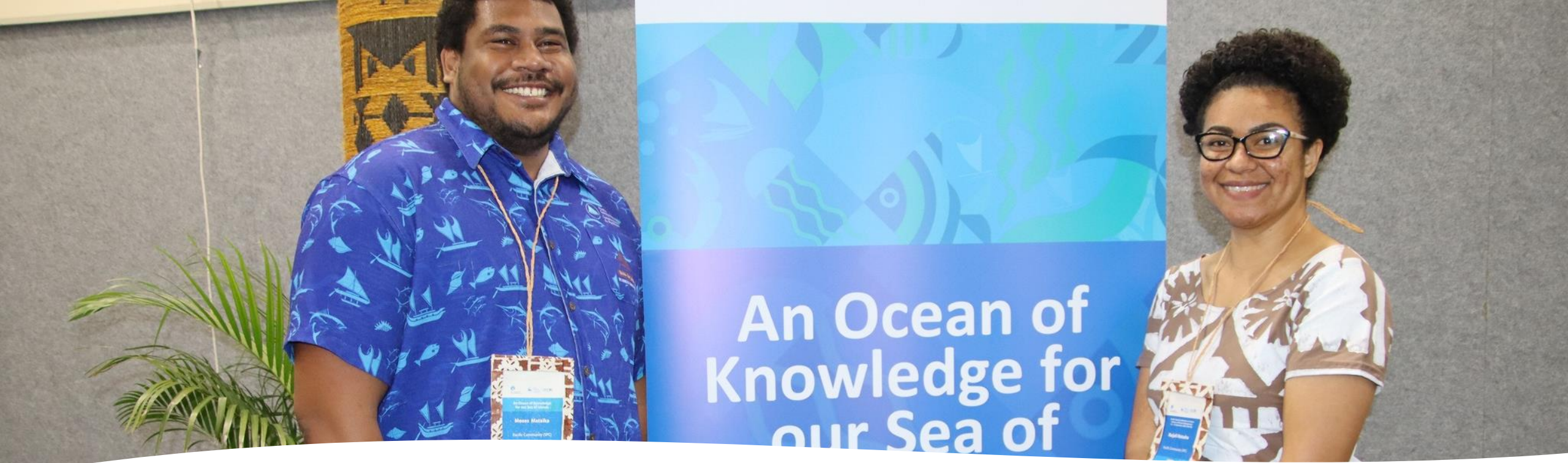
Progress on action areas

- **Facilitate sharing of experience, information and data between members:**
 - RTMCFA6 agreed on specific actions to scale-up the rollout of e-data tools to enhance data collection and management, and also provided opportunity for members to share their experience and discuss the utilization of these tools
 - A focus for this years HoF is on data integration, access, utilization and opportunities for regional integration
- **Continue to improve gender balance across SPC FAME:**
 - Women make up 50% of the 142 staff members currently employed in SPC FAME, and balance of international and higher-level roles continue to improve



Progress on action areas

- **Planning on the development of and transition from the oceanic stock assessment software MULTIFAN-CL following retirement of the chief developer:**
 - Following internal planning, SPC FAME raised this issue through the WCPFC Scientific Committee process in and a new SC project "Scoping next generation of assessment software", led by SPC OFP, has been funded by WCPFC20 (Project 123)
 - Work on this planned 3-year scoping project has begun



Progress on action areas

- **Expand the Pacific Islands Fisheries Professional programme to include young professionals, including in the area of fisheries development and wider national staff:**
 - In 2023, SPC FAME mentored eight Pacific Island Fisheries Professionals under this initiative, which continues to enhance regional capacity by empowering individuals with essential skills and knowledge
 - This year, six positions in the PIFP are under recruitment



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Learning

Progress on action areas

- **Enhance the use of online and offline training approaches:**
 - In 2023, SPC launched an Online Learning and Management System (SPC Learning), which enables divisions to prepare learning modules, create test questions, and access reports on module completion.
 - SPC FAME division utilized this platform extensively in 2023 and will continue to do so in 2024
 - SPC FAME delivered 10 online and 62 in-person trainings during the same year

Vulnerability of Tropical Pacific Fisheries and Aquaculture to Climate Change

Progress on action areas

- Apply a climate change perspective particularly for the most vulnerable members across work programmes and activities:
 - The Pacific Island Climate Change vulnerability assessment is an example of this work and will provide the most up to date information on degrees of vulnerability, across all fisheries, for all Pacific Island Countries and Territories

Thank-you for your support

The outcomes of the session will be synthesised and provided by the rapporteurs for your comment tomorrow

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