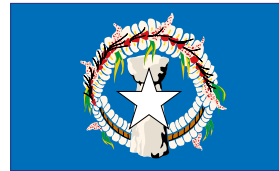




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SPC Work Plan in Northern Mariana Islands



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The following table lists key work areas that SPC is undertaking in 2017 in cooperation with the Northern Mariana Islands. The country-specific work listed here complements other SPC work undertaken at a regional level to benefit the people of the Northern Mariana Islands and achieve its national development priorities. SPC's key regional work is presented in the Pacific Community Results Report.

SPC development objective	Divisional business plan objective	Status	Outputs taking place or expected to commence this year	Programme/Project
Goal 1: The Pacific region and its people benefit from inclusive and sustainable economic growth				
Fisheries				
Strengthen sustainable management of natural resources (fisheries, forestry, land use, agriculture, minerals, water)	Provide analyses and advice for evidence-based fisheries management	Ongoing	Ongoing work provided in oceanic fisheries as the 'science provider' to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC), including WCPFC members and participating territories	WCPFC
		Ongoing	Analyses and outreach in support of the development of harvest strategies for WCPO tuna stocks	WCPFC, MFAT
		Ongoing	Secure national webpages delivering country-specific scientific advice on the status of oceanic fisheries resources updated and enhanced	GEF
Mobility, private enterprises, phytosanitary and biosecurity standards supporting trade				
Improve pathways to international markets (mobility, private enterprises, phytosanitary and biosecurity standards supporting trade)	Increased capacity of PICTs to meet standards, guidelines, and conditions for exports and domestic trade	Ongoing	Biosecurity capacity building support for North Pacific countries	Biosecurity and Trade Facilitation
Development statistics				
Strengthen access to and use of development statistics in policy development and monitoring progress	PICTs have the technical capacity to manage and implement all core statistical collections, including key administrative databases, as required by national development plans, including national strategies for the development of statistics	Completed	Technical assistance provided for collection and compilation of international merchandise trade statistics - COMTRADE database and Dissemination Tables are work-in-progress for CNMI. Recommendation is to strengthen trade data at Customs.	Statistics NZAID 2014-2019

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Goal 2: Pacific communities are empowered and resilient				
Human rights, gender equality, cultural diversity and opportunities for young people				
Advance social development through the promotion of human rights, gender equality, cultural diversity and opportunities for young people	Effective shared agendas, regional platforms and institutions	On Track	Report of recommendations from the regional conference of Pacific women and Ministers and Senior Government Officials Meeting (2-5 October 2017)	Progressing Gender Equality in PICTs
Goal 3: Pacific Island people reach their potential and lead long and healthy lives				
Non-communicable diseases and food security				
Improve multi-sectoral responses to non-communicable diseases (NCD) and food security	Strengthen public health policy and legislation in all relevant sectors	Ongoing	Policies and legislation that address social and economic determinants of NCD, e.g. sugar-sweetened beverages, physical activities/built environment, tobacco and alcohol, etc.: needs identified and policies/legislation developed as relevant (in collaboration with PIHOA)	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation (PPRP activity 7.2.2)
	Build PICTs' capacity and knowledge for effective implementation and action	Not Started	Staff trained or attended professional placements/training/ courses	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
		Not Started	Support provided to strengthen national diabetes association/coalition	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation (from PPRP activity 7.4.4)
		Ongoing	Information, education and communication resources needs identified and information distributed	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation (from PPRP activity 7.4.6)