

PROGRAMME

Times mentioned are Samoa time (GMT+14:00)

TRACK 1 - Our Ocear

TRACK 2 - Our Island

TRACK 3 -Our Connection with Nature

TUESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2020								
12:00-13:00	PLENARY Opening Session: Welcoming a		and State of Conservation in the Pacific Islands					
13:30-14:30	Towards greater protection of our Pacific marine heritage - learning from the past, looking to the future		Battling invasive species	Our People at the Center of Nature Conserva- tion				
15:30-16:30	Turning the tide: Preventing plastic pollution in Pacific Island Countries and Territories		Terrestrial ecological integrity	How we can better use data and traditional knowledge to make decisions that affect nature				
17:00-18:00	Nature's Oceanic Voyagers		Can nature-based solutions achieve their potential to tackle human induced problems?	Environmental Governance in the Pacific: Towards an informed and engaged citizenry and rights for Nature.				
19:00-20:00	Enhancing youth participation in regional biodiversity decision-making							
WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 2020								
12:00-13:00	New Caledonia, facing common Pacific Islands fisheries concerns		Bringing our Pacific Lands under meaningful protection - lessons from the past 10 years	Valuing biodiversity in the Pacific: the place of identity, traditional knowledge, education, heritage and cultural expressions				
13:30-14:30	Mangroves, Coral Reefs, and Seagrass: conserving coastal marine habitats in the Pacific		Assessing and mitigating threats and pressures on inland and coastal water quality in the Pacific, Preventing Terrestrial, Freshwater and Marine Pollution (non-plastic)	Sustainable and regenerative tourism in the Pacific - tools for making progress				
15:30-16:30	Deep Connections – Pacific Communities and Deep-Sea Mining		Saving Paradise – species by species	Building Resilient Island Economies and Com- munities in the Pacific: Balancing Protection and Production				
17:00-18:00	Ocean Health for Ocean Wealth -Sustainable Ocean Economies		How to draw on Nature to ensure a sustainable development?	Sustainable financing: Dream Big, Work Hard, and Go for It!				

THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2020							
12:00-13:00	CLOSED SESSION	HIGH LEVEL: Introduction					
13:30-14:30	CLOSED SESSION	HIGH LEVEL: Roundtable					
15:30-16:30	PLENARY	The Pacific Islands Framework for Nature Conservation and Protected Areas 2021 - 2025					
17:00-18:00	PLENARY	Declaration of Vemööre and Closing					
FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2020 Side Events							
11:00-12:00	PRISMSS Launch of the Pacific Battler Lounge: 2020 Pacific Battler of the Year Award		ICRI & VULCAN Prioritising Coral reefs in the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework	Conservation International Institutionalising indigenous knowledge and values in Pacific conservation			
12:30-13:30	Agence Française de Développement (AFD) How to ensure the transmission of traditional knowledge as a way to preserve biodiversity in the Pacific?						
14:00-15:00	PRISMSS Pacific Battler Lounge: Managing Pigs in the Pacific		The Nature Conservancy Measuring Success: What should we measure and how? Examples from Melanesia and Micro- nesia	WWF Resilient reefs & communities: How investing in the Pacific can build a climate-ready & sustainable future for people & nature			
15:30-16:30	BIEM Assessing the risk of turtle extinction in the Pacific to inform regional conservation approaches		WWF Building the Case for a Sustainable Blue Economy in the South West Pacific	PEW 30/30 Vision: Pacific Leadership on Protected and Conserved Areas at the UN Convention on Biological Diversity			
17:00-18:00	SPREP-EMG Data driven decision making		SPC Which approaches to developing an integrated regional framework? SPC helping the Pacific region reconcile social & economic development with the protection of nature and culture				



