



SECRETARIAT OF THE REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (SPREP)

BIENNIUM WORKPLAN¹ 2025 – 2026

OCEANIA TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION SUPPORT CENTRE (TSCC)

¹ ¹ This workplan outlines SPREP's activities in its capacity as a Technical Support and Coordination Centre (TSCC). It should be read alongside SPREP's broader organizational and team workplans, which are addressed separately. While Output 4 reflects aspects of SPREP's broader workplans, it does not encompass all related activities.

INTRODUCTION

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) is an intergovernmental organization comprising of 26² Members across thousands of kilometres of ocean, sharing common elements of culture, history, and environment. The membership consists of 14 Pacific Island countries, 7 territories and 5 metropolitan states with a direct interest in the region.

SPREP focuses on core environmental priorities across the Pacific in:

- Climate Change Resilience
- Climate Science and Information
- Biodiversity Conservation
- Environmental Governance
- Waste Management and Pollution Control

SPREP is guided by its vision:

“A resilient Pacific environment, sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures”.

In alignment with Decision 15/8 of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), SPREP has been designated as a Technical and Scientific Cooperation Support Centre (TSCC) to support implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KM-GBF) in the Pacific region.

The SPREP TSCC will build on SPREP’s existing mandate, technical expertise, regional convening role, and long-standing partnerships to deliver demand-driven technical and scientific cooperation tailored to Pacific Island country needs.

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

The overall goal of the SPREP TSCC is to support Pacific Island countries and territories in implementing the KM-GBF through strengthened technical and scientific cooperation, capacity development, knowledge exchange, and regional coordination.

The Centre will function as a visible, responsive, and demand-driven support mechanism, leveraging SPREP’s existing regional architecture and programmes.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES FOR THE BENNIUM

Outcome 1: Operationalisation of the SPREP TSCC

The SPREP TSCC achieves core operational milestones and has interim identified capacity to raise visibility under the TSCC title as an already functional regional support centre.

Outcome 2: Visibility and Responsiveness

The SPREP TSCC is recognised by Pacific Members as a visible, accessible and responsive one-stop centre for technical and scientific cooperation.

Outcome 3: Partnership Development and Resource Mobilisation

The SPREP TSCC strengthens regional and global partnerships and mobilises resources to support Pacific implementation of the KM-GBF.

Outcome 4: Delivery of Technical and Scientific Cooperation

Targeted technical and scientific cooperation are delivered to Pacific Members in support of national biodiversity priorities and KM-GBF targets.

RESOURCE REQUIREMENT AND BUDGET

The SPREP TSCC operates primarily through leveraging existing programme budgets and in-kind contributions aligned with its mandated role under the CBD TSCC mechanism.

However, identified gaps include:

- Dedicated communications personnel
- Enhanced coordination capacity
- Financial support for SPREP to support Pacific Member engagement in CBD intersessional processes and events
- Technical backstopping for emerging thematic priorities

The Centre will expand progressively, in line with resources secured through mobilization efforts.

ASSUMPTIONS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Key Assumptions

- Pacific Members may increase engagement with SPREP due to its TSCC designation.
- Existing institutional capacity within SPREP is sufficient for initial operationalisation.
- Members will utilise the TSCC as a primary channel for technical cooperation requests.

Risks

- Increased demand without proportional resource growth
- Limited Member capacity to engage due to competing national priorities
- Funding shortfalls affecting service delivery

Risk Mitigation

- Phased implementation approach
- Leveraging existing SPREP programmes and networks
- Strong coordination with global TSCC network
- Strategic prioritisation of high-impact, low-cost actions

Workplan 2025 - 2026

Outcome	Output	Activities	Indicators	Baseline and Target
O1 Successful operationalization of effective support center	Output 1.1 Systems of effective management in place	Activity 1.1.1 Appoint interim/acting coordinator	1 coordinator in place	Current staff working on TSSC work <i>January 2026</i>
		Activity 1.1.2 Appointing a director	1 director in place	0 <i>January 2026</i>
	Output 1.2 Systems of effective planning in place	Activity 1.2.1 Develop biennial workplan, result based Draft biennial workplan prepared, result-based Stakeholders input incorporated Biennial workplan finalized, approved and submitted	1 TSSC Biennial Work Program 2025- 2026 approved	0 2025-2026 SPREP Biennial Work Program and Budget (PIP 4, PIP 5 for reporting) <i>February 2026</i>
	Output 1.3 Systems of effective coordination in place	Activity 1.3.1 Sign host agreement	MOU or Host Agreement	0

		Host agreement is contextualized, negotiated, and signed Endorsed at SPREP Meeting		<i>Tentative Date</i>
	Output 1.4 Systems of inclusive governance in place	Activity 1.4.1 Establish inclusive steering committee Identify which existing governance mechanism to utilize Set up a steering committee Embed into SPREP governance system	Steering committee formed	0 <i>Tentative Date</i>
		Activity 1.4.2 Convene inclusive steering committee Hold steering committee meetings, incorporated into existing meetings (BCP Meeting, Project Manager & Advisors Meetings)	# of meetings/yr	0 meetings <i>Tentative Date</i>
Outcome 2 Visibility and responsiveness	Output 2.1 TSCC help desk established and maintained	Activity 2.1.1 Create and monitor dedicated TSCC email address	# of countries using the help desk	Emails to TSCC staff

The TSCC is recognized as a visible and responsive support center for Technical and Scientific Cooperation in the region		Activity 2.1.2 Set up a help desk focusing on request and toolkit for CBD.	# of emails to/from countries in 2026 CBD related emails	<i>June 2026</i>
	Output 2.2 System of Effective Communications established	Activity 2.1.3 One Stop Hub for CBD related material on SPREP Website Develop a communications plan	Web paged developed and launched Communications plan developed	Publications on by SPREP Communication Team <i>December 2026</i>
Outcome 3 Resource mobilization and partnership development TSCC initiates partnership development and process of identifying and developing long term resource mobilization strategies	Output 3.1 System of Effective Resource Mobilization in place	Activity 3.1.1 Develop business plan with partner and party input Draft business plan document	Business plan finalized, completed and validated	0 <i>May 2026</i>
		Activity 3.1.2 Provide capacity building training on project proposal writing (for SPREP Staff) Activity 3.1.3 Develop and submit proposals for funding	# of training received # of proposals submitted	# of trainings in 2024 # of proposals in 2024 <i>Ongoing</i>

<p>Outcome 4 Technical & scientific cooperation and technology transfer to support the Parties</p> <p>The TSCC initiates cooperation in technical and scientific cooperation within the region/sub-region and across the TSCC network</p>	<p>Output 4.1 Host/Co-host Workshops and Conferences</p>	<p>Activity 4.1.1 Organize and deliver regional and subregional workshops (Climate–Nature Nexus; KMGBF implementation; ABS workshop).</p> <p>Host the 11th Pacific Islands Nature and Protected Area Conference.</p> <p>Coordinate agendas, technical inputs, logistics, and participant engagement.</p> <p>Produce workshop/conference reports and outcome summaries.</p>	<p># of regional/subregional workshops delivered.</p> <p># of countries represented.</p> <p>% of invited member countries participating.</p> <p>Participant satisfaction rating (via evaluation forms).</p>	<p>Previous workshops and conferences</p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>
	<p>Output 4.2 Partnership and Coordination Meetings</p>	<p>Activity 4.2.1 Convene annual PIRT meetings and Heads of Organization meetings.</p> <p>Support SPREP coordination meetings.</p> <p>Facilitate information sharing among regional NGOs and partners.</p> <p>Document key decisions and agreed priority actions.</p>	<p># of coordination meetings convened.</p> <p>Attendance rate of invited organizations.</p> <p>Meeting outcomes documented and circulated</p>	<p>Previous partnership and coordination events</p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>

	<p>Output 4.3 Technical Review and Knowledge Products</p>	<p>Activity 4.3.1 Review draft NBSAPs and 7th National reports from member countries.</p> <p>Review, update and finalize the Regional State of Environment and Conservation Report and the Pacific Islands Framework for Nature Conservation and Protected Areas</p> <p>Provide technical backstopping to members upon request.</p>	<p># of NBSAPs reviewed and technical feedback provided.</p> <p>Regional State of Environment Report completed and endorsed.</p> <p>Pacific Islands Framework for Nature Conservation and Protected Areas finalized and adopted.</p> <p># of technical advisory requests responded to.</p>	<p>Previous reviews and work done</p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>
	<p>Output 4.4 Global and Regional CBD and Policy Engagement</p>	<p>Support member participation in SBSTTA and SBI sessions.</p> <p>Coordinate regional preparatory meetings (Pre-COP).</p> <p>Support Pacific engagement at CBD COP 17.</p> <p>Facilitate common regional messaging and side events.</p>	<p># of preparatory coordination meetings held.</p> <p># of Pacific countries supported to participate.</p> <p># Regional priorities reflected in official statements or submissions.</p>	<p>Previous CBD engagement</p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>

			<p># of Pacific-led or co-hosted side events.</p> <p>Post-COP regional briefing conducted.</p>	
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