



VANUATU CLIMATE FINANCE FORUM

30 November – 1 December 2016

Warwick Le Lagon, Port Vila

AGENDA

Purpose:

Vanuatu, like most Small Island Developing States (SIDS), bears little responsibility for climate change, but its geographical, socioeconomic and climate profiles makes it particularly vulnerable to its impacts. Despite this, Vanuatu remains poorly funded, and approved finance fulfils only a small part of actual needs. While several climate change programs in Vanuatu provide finance in the millions of dollars, Vanuatu is gearing up to access substantially greater finance from the Green Climate Fund (GCF) as well as bilateral and private sector funds. This 1st Vanuatu Climate Finance forum seeks to pull together decision-makers, technical officers, development partners and non-government stakeholders to learn about the complex global architecture of global finance, share lessons learned from climate finance in Vanuatu as well as chart a tangible way forward. The forum will consider key challenges to meeting national climate finance aspirations including programming and prioritization, coordination and monitoring & evaluation. Over the course of two days, the agenda provides a chance for high-level decision-makers to set policy priorities and technical staff to devise short, medium and long-term milestones to meet these aspirations.

Expected Pre-Workshop Outputs

- Overview Document Highlighting the Global Climate Financing Architecture and Modalities
- Summary Document Outlining Past & Current Climate Finance Flows in Vanuatu

Expected Workshop Outputs

- High-Level Vanuatu Climate Finance Policy Directives Outcomes Document
- Vanuatu Climate Finance Milestones (Short, Medium & Long Term) Document
- Work Planning for upcoming CF Projects: focal areas for GCF, ISACC, GIZ-DFAT, USAID-Climate Ready

Day 1: Climate Finance Goals and Aspirations

Climate Finance High Level Segment

Time	Item	Resource Person
9:00am	Welcome	Director General MCC Jesse Benjamin
9:10am	Key-Note Speech: The Role of Climate Finance in Achieving Vanuatu's National Sustainable Development Goals	Hon. Charlot Salwai, Prime Minister
9:20am	Climate Finance & Cooperation Among Government, Civil Society and the Private Sector in Vanuatu	Hon. Albert Williams, Special Envoy on Climate Change
9:30am	Aid Coordination and Development Modalities in Vanuatu	TBD
9:40am	Group Photograph & Morning Tea	All
10:00am	Technical Presentation: Vanuatu Climate Finance Flows, Past to Present	TBD
10:10am	Technical Presentation: Current Private Sector Climate Finance Engagement Processes in Vanuatu	TBD
10:20am	Technical Presentation: Current NGO Climate Finance Engagement Processes in Vanuatu	TBD
10:30am	Technical Presentation: Global & Regional Outlook on Climate Financing Architecture and Modalities	Scott Hook, PIFS
11:00pm	Panel Discussion: Vanuatu's Upcoming Climate Finance Programs <i>Each 8 mins present then 30 min Q&A from floor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vanuatu Green Climate Fund Readiness Project • DFAT/GIZ CF Readiness for the Pacific Project • USAID/SPC Institutional Strengthening Project • USAID Climate READY Project 	Development Partners

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GIZ Loss & Damage Program 	
12:30pm	Lunch	All
1:30am	Group Work: Mapping Vanuatu's Experiences with Climate Finance Modalities and Processes	NAB CF Taskforce
	Group 1: Investment Prioritization	
	Group 2: Stakeholder Coordination	
	Group 3: Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting & Verification	
	Group 4: Innovative Modalities	
2:30pm	Report Back on Group Work	NAB CF Taskforce
	Summary of Gaps and Recommendations on Climate Finance Experiences	
3:00pm	Group Work: Develop High-Level Climate Finance Policy Guidance based on existing Policies and Frameworks	Albert Williams, MP
3:45pm	Afternoon Tea	
4:00pm	Panel Discussion on Short, Medium & Long Term Climate Finance Aspirations with Government, Private Sector, Civil Society & Development Partners	Jesse Benjamin, MCC
4:45pm	Wrap-Up	All
6:30pm	Cocktail Reception	Council of Ministers

Day 2: Vanuatu Climate Finance Roadmap

Climate Finance Technical Work

Time	Item	Resource Person
9:00am	Welcome & Re-Cap of Day 1	Chair, NAB Climate Finance Taskforce
9:10am	Presentation of Climate Finance Policy Directives Outcomes Document	NAB CF Taskforce
9:30am	Group Work: Mapping Short, Medium and Long-Term Climate Finance Milestones for Vanuatu for a 3-5yr Workplan	All
10:30am	Morning Tea	
10:45am	Group Work: Linking High Level Directives, Recommendations and Milestones with Upcoming Project Opportunities	Project Leaders
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vanuatu Green Climate Fund Readiness Project 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DFAT/GIZ CF Readiness for the Pacific Project USAID/SPC Institutional Strengthening Project USAID Climate READY Project 	
12:30pm	Lunch	All
1:30pm	Report Back on Morning Group Work	Project Leaders
	Linking Specific CF Projects with Vanuatu Priorities and Needs	
2:00pm	Panel Discussion with major Development Partners on Upcoming Climate Finance Programs	TBD
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australia New Zealand Melanesian Spearhead Group China Japan World Bank/Asian Development Bank UNDP Global Environmental Facility 	
3:00pm	Group Work: Status Updates and Self-Assessment on CPEIR Climate Finance Capacities & Processes and Gaps.	
	Group 1: National Advisory Board on Climate Change & Disaster Risk Reduction (NAB)	
	Group 2: Department of Strategic Planning, Policy & Aid Coordination (DSPPAC)	
	Group 3: Ministry of Finance & Economic Management (MFEM)	
3:45pm	Afternoon Tea	
4:00pm	Plenary Discussions on Critical Gaps & Next Steps	Hon Albert Williams
4:45pm	Wrap Up & Closing	All