



Workshop on Developing Guidelines for Collection, Use and Access to “Save Blong Climate Change Mo Disasta”

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Vanuatu Cultural Center Conference Room

**8.00: Opening prayer and Introduction to workshop and general overview -
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8.30: Overview of day’s program

8.45: Session 1: Existing research structures

- Existing structures for collection and distribution of TK and regulation of researchers
 - Presentation by Director of VKS, Marcellin Abong
 - Presentation by Director of Environment Unit, Albert Williams
 - Presentation by Director General of Ministry of Climate Change, Jotham Napat
- Legal framework
 - Presentation by Miranda Forsyth, Australian National University
- Identification of gaps

10.00: Morning tea

10.30: Overview of development of guidelines (Fiona Cameron, University of Western Sydney)

**Session 2: Guidelines for collection of save blong climate change mo disasta
(Facilitators: Taman Willie Onesmas, Numalin Mahana, Jacob Kapere, VKS)**

- Distinction between save we i tabu mo save we ino tabu
- How to best mandate the use of customary procedures/ authorities
- Best practice in obtaining consent



- Participation of women and special interest groups such as youth and people with a disability
- Issue of compensation in collection of save blong ol man
- Opportunities for awareness raising and education through collection mechanisms

12.00 – 1.00: Lunch

1.00: Session 3: Guidelines for access to TK

- Identification of stakeholders who wish to use traditional knowledge and how their access to it can be facilitated
- What problems can arise in facilitating access to knowledge?
- What are common concerns about giving access to knowledge?
- What current problems/ difficulties/ obstacles exist in sharing knowledge throughout Vanuatu?
- What are some of the benefits and dangers of creating databases of traditional knowledge?

2.30: Afternoon tea

3.00: Session 4: Institutional responsibilities

(Facilitators: Fiona Cameron, Miranda Forsyth, Ainka Granderson, Taman Willie Onesmas, Numalin Mahana, Jacob Kapere)

- What is the best way for different agencies/ government departments to collaborate?
- How to ensure monitoring and enforcement of guidelines?
- Should there be different rules for external researchers/ NGOs/ government departments/ schools/ churches?
- How can guidelines be reviewed and evaluated?

4.30: Next Steps & Action Plans