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Third Meeting of the Regional Project Steering Committee for the SOPAC/UNDP/UNEP/GEF Project: *"Implementing Sustainable Water Resource and Wastewater Management in Pacific Island Countries"* 

Rarotonga, Cook Islands, 25<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011

### SHARING OF NATIONAL IWRM OUTCOMES

The gathering of IWRM focal points and project managers at the Third Regional Steering Committee (RSC) Meeting presents a valuable opportunity for countries to effectively share information on their key achievements, challenges, and opportunities in applying IWRM solutions from "*Community to Cabinet*". Apart from the many informal opportunities for knowledge sharing at the RSC, it is proposed that this will be facilitated through three activities whose success will depend upon the active preparation of materials by countries prior to the RSC.

### 1. COUNTRY FACT SHEETS

Each country IWRM team is requested to prepare a one-page "*Country Fact Sheet*" that summarises the key national water and sanitation management issues, achievements and challenges of both the GEF National Demonstration Projects and EU National Planning Programmes. It is requested that these be submitted to SOPAC (email to Mr Reynaldo Molina at rey@sopac.org) by no later than 16 July. A template for the Fact Sheets is attached below.

### 2. COUNTRY SHOWCASE BOARDS

In the RSC meeting space, countries will be provided with "*Showcase Boards*" in which to showcase examples of their most significant achievements under both the Demonstration Project and National Planning Programme. Countries will be encouraged to bring materials to the RSC that effectively communicate these achievements to other RSC participants. The boards can incorporate examples of country-specific IWRM communications materials, including posters, shirts, stickers, slogans, press articles and other materials. Photographs of key events and infrastructure are also encouraged. It is envisaged that approximately 2 square metres (ie. 2m x 1m) will be available for each country, and time will be available on the first day of the RSC for countries to assemble their boards in a suitable way.

### 3. COUNTRY PRESENTATION DAY

The bulk of Day 3 of the RSC, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July is devoted to country presentations on "*National IWRM Project Delivery*", which will cover the key achievements under both the GEF Demonstration and EU Planning Programmes. On this day, under item 5.5, the Chairperson will invite the national IWRM teams to present brief 10-minute presentations on these key achievements. Teams will be encouraged to refer to their Country Showcase Boards and Country Fact Sheets during the presentations. Powerpoint presentations are not required, but if utilised should be limited to a maximum of 10 slides. The country presentations will be followed by brief questions and answer sessions and a panel discussion on the needs and challenges faced by both the National Demonstration Projects and National Planning Programmes.

# **EXAMPLE LAYOUT - COUNTRY FACT SHEETS**

## **Country Name**

(Include country flag, national government coat of arms, government logo etc)

Concise ~ 120 word summary of key national water resource and sanitation management issues (focus on root causes and threats), key stakeholders in water resource management, and national priority needs water resource systems to climate variability/ change; stakeholders working together on planning (~250 pixels wide by 180 high)

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Subheading: National Efforts to Reduce Stress on Water Resource Systems and to Strengthen National Coordination and Policy Frameworks for Integrated Water Resource Management

### **GEF Project Title**

Bullet points to include geographic coordinates of demo project and project components and the key anticipated outcomes



#### **National IWRM Planning** Summary of key initiatives, including national lead agency, efforts to establish or revitalise national coordinating

mechanisms e.g. APEX bodies

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Subheading: Key National Achievements and Challenges (2010- 2011) Bullet point summary	Contact Details Names, titles, and email for IWRM Focal Point, GEF Project Manager, National Policy Officer