



FSM NDA Office Newsletter



Final Stakeholder Consultation for the FSM Country Program Update

The NDA Office held the final Country Program (CP) Update workshop on April 5 – 6, 2022. The nation-wide workshop brought together stakeholders across the 4 states from the national and state governments, national and regional Direct Access Entities (DAE), international Accredited Entities (AE) and the Green Climate Fund (GCF).

The 3 main objectives for this final workshop were to validate the three key updates to the CP: new 2030 Vision target date for the CP Strategic Framework, Updated CP pipeline for the GCF Programming Cycle 2024 to 2027 and Readiness needs and requests for the upcoming third phase of the FSM Readiness Program.

To support these updates, the completed CP M&E from the preceding States workshops were also presented and discussed, enabling its finalization for submission to the SD Council.



The nation-wide workshop also engaged with DAEs and AEs on the updated pipeline to prepare for the implementation of the updated CP. The active engagement with DAEs and AEs have been made possible since the availability of entities in the FSM was minimal at the time of the first CP's development in 2018. The entities were able to elaborate on their capabilities and availability, as well as their current limitations, to work on the CP pipeline.

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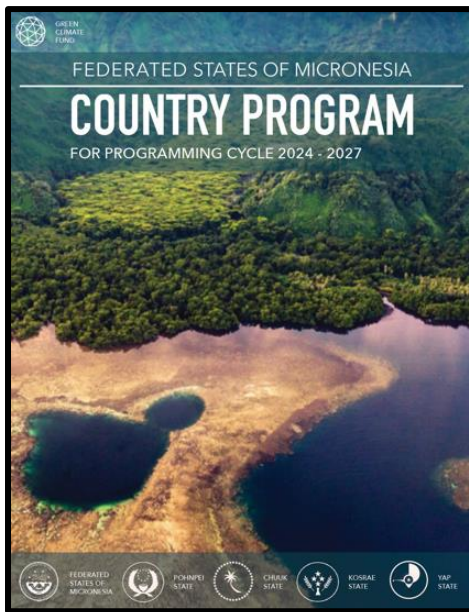
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In order to facilitate a horizontal and vertical integration process for communications and learning, the workshop employed a participatory approach using the panel model for discussions on key matters. A total of 5 panel sessions focused on the following areas: Gender, Disability & Social Inclusion, Key National Partners, DAE/AE/DP, SWOC and M&E. In this way, participants were able to provide their validations in a more informed manner.

A key takeaway was the panelists reiterating the shared challenges across the states with regards to limited resources, staffing and technical capacity as well as communication between the national and state governments. DAEs and AEs sharing lessons capabilities, availability and learned with regards to developing GCF funding proposals.

The NDA and his team extend their sincere gratitude and appreciation to all the participants for making this workshop engaging and a successful event.

The FSM Completes its 1st Update of the Country Program



After a series of extensive stakeholder consultations, FSM has successfully completed its first Country Program Update. This CP update follows six years of FSM-GCF partnership and presents the latest strategic and operational framework for engagement with the Green Climate Fund. Its purpose is to ensure that project and program proposals submitted for GCF consideration are ‘already-endorsed’ and integrate national priorities with the Fund’s investment criteria.

Three main updates have been made in this CP. First, the CP Strategic Framework’s vision goal date has been amended from 2025 to 2030 to align with those of the latest NDCs and SDGs. Second, the pipeline of priorities is now limited to five projects for submission within the GCF’s 2024 to 2027 four-year programming cycle. Third, the identification of Readiness needs for continued institutional strengthening and adaptation planning, has undergone a systematic assessment involving a SWOC analysis and M&E exercise of the last four years of the CP’s implementation (2018-2022).

The implementation of this updated CP depends on the commitment to strengthen institutional structures in order to absorb and effectively manage the FSM’s ambitious, yet necessary, adaptation pipeline over the longer term. Through the continued strengthening of the pillars of ‘leadership, coordination and capacity’, the updated CP can greatly contribute to meeting the FSM’s climate and sustainable development goals.

Stakeholder Consultation Workshop: MCT-GCF Funding proposal on Ecosystem-Based (EbA) Adaptation for the North Pacific

On June 10, 2022, a national stakeholder consultation workshop was conducted by the Micronesia Conservation Trust in collaboration with the NDA office and through DECEM as the nation’s focal point for climate change. The workshop brought together about 75 participants representing both national and state governments, community level stakeholders which are based at NGOs, CSOs and Municipal offices for the preparation of the funding proposal “Ecosystem-Based Adaptation (EbA) for Reducing vulnerability to Climate Change in Northern Pacific Small Island Vulnerable States (SIDS).”

The main objectives of the workshop were to:

1. Introduce & officially launch the project design phase,
2. Clarify the roles and responsibilities of key stakeholders,
3. Detail the workplan and timeline for the project proposal formulation phase,
4. Complete stakeholder questionnaires, and
5. Highlight baseline situational statements on protected areas governance arrangements, outstanding-



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- ecological value and stakeholder roles in managing Protected Area's in each state, and the current and future climate threats they face.



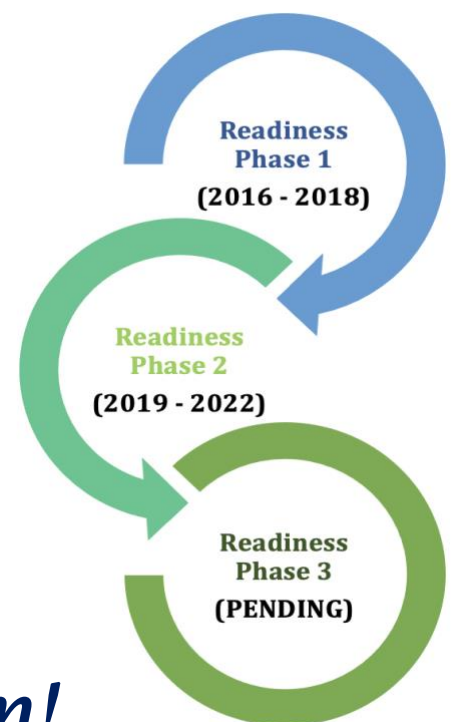
The workshop participants were engaged in group discussions to further inform the project preparation team on stakeholder mapping and engagement, gap analysis and institutional arrangements, co-financing and gender, sustainability and risks. The main highlight from the workshop was the assurance that the stakeholder consultations would be focused on transparency, accountability and inclusivity.

Completion of FSM Readiness Phase 2

The NDA and the NDA office team takes this opportunity to inform all stakeholders and partners of the successful implementation and completion of the FSM's Readiness Phase 2 program for the Green Climate Fund.

Following the completion of Readiness phase 1 in December 2018, Readiness phase 2 began in June 2019. It officially ends on June 27, 2022, pending the completion review and financial audits by the GCF. The Readiness phase 3 proposal is currently undergoing GCF Secretariat review. Upon its approval, Readiness 3 will fund the NDA office operations and all other activities that fall under the purview of the FSM NDA for the Green Climate Fund.

On behalf of the FSM Government, the Honorable Secretary Eugene Amor wishes to express his sincere gratitude to the Green Climate Fund for their partnership and continued support for the people of the FSM.



Thank you & Until then!



Upcoming Board Meeting Dates:

B.33 – July 17 – 20, 2022

B.34 – October 24 – 27, 2022

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