COSP SPECIAL EVENT
Implementing a Pacific Pathway Against Corruption
VIRTUAL: Monday 13 December 2021, 2pm FJ,KI,NA,RMI time

Register in advance for this meeting: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIkduuqgrGrGdIHEAdK_Av8D_Rz37F1o9

I. INTRODUCTION

With the adoption of the Teieniwa Vision as the Pacific roadmap against corruption, building Pacific responses against corruption is seen as a prerequisite for implementing UNCAC and UNGASS commitments. Pacific Island countries are committed to anti-corruption measures through a whole-of-society approach to be showcased in this session.

II. GOALS AND EXPECTED OUTCOME

This event benefits the Conference’s overall agenda by illustrating how UNCAC, Teieniwa Vision and the UNGASS declaration can be implemented in the Pacific through a whole-of-society approach.

Goals:

a. Showcase specific experiences, notably how Pacific Governments have engaged with non-State actors to more effectively implement anti-corruption measures.

b. Transfer knowledge on strengthening integrity frameworks in the Pacific.

c. Understand how partners and technical assistance providers have supported the Pacific through their whole-of-society approach, such as through UNODC’s anti-corruption projects.

Expected Outcome: Conference participants are aware of the benefits of using a whole-of-society approach to UNCAC implementation.

III. PANELLISTS

1. UNCAC Secretary and Chief of the Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, UNODC, Brigitte Strobel-Shaw;
2. Chair, Kiribati Leadership Commission, Mr Uriam Timiti
3. Policy Adviser Regional Security /Team Leader, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, Mr Terio Koronawa;
4. Independent ICAC Commissioner (Papua New Guinea) Thomas Eluh;
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5. Samoa Auditor-General, Mr Fuimaono Afele;
6. Private sector representative, President of the Palau Chamber of Commerce, Ms Irene Olkeril
7. Pacific media representative, President of the Media Association of Solomon Islands (MASI), Ms Georgina Kekea
8. UNODC / UN-PRAC Representative, Pacific Anti-Corruption Adviser – Ms Marie Pegie Cauchois.

IV. FORMAT AND AGENDA

Using good practices from the Pacific, this panel will illustrate how a whole-of-society approach to UNCAC and Teieniwa Vision implementation has been implemented. The panellists will focus on three key areas: development of national anti-corruption policies/legislation; engagement of non-state parties; and inter-section of corruption and human rights.

Moderator: UNODC SEAP Anti-Corruption Adviser, Annika Wythes
Keynote speaker: President of Kiribati H.E. Taneti Mamau
The working language of the event will be English.

Topics:
1. Welcome to COSP;
2. Role of Leadership Commission in Kiribati anti-corruption and the Teieniwa Vision;
3. PIFS mandate for regional anti-corruption engagement;
5. Oversight role of integrity agencies;
6. Private sector integrity boost in Palau;
7. Media role in monitoring Pacific corruption;
8. UNODC’s approach in supporting countries to strengthen their anti-corruption frameworks.

V. PUBLICATIONS

Teieniwa Vision

General Assembly against corruption (UNGASS) from 2 to 4 June 2021 where the General Assembly adopted the political declaration

UNODC Pacific Islands Publications