



## Twenty Fourth SPREP Meeting of Officials

17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2013  
Apia, Samoa

### AGENDA ITEM 6.7: Proposal: Pacific Climate Change Centre

#### Purpose of the Paper

1. The purpose of the paper is to update Members on the progress made in SPREP's efforts to secure funding for the Pacific Climate Change Centre (PCCC) at SPREP from the Government of Japan.

#### Background

2. The aim of the Pacific Climate Change Centre is to strengthen the delivery of support and services from SPREP to its Pacific members on climate change. The development of the PCCC will also address the issue of space for staff at the SPREP campus.

3. The 2012 SPREP Meeting endorsed the application being made to JICA for Grant Aid to build the Pacific Climate Change Centre. A detailed proposal was submitted to the Government of Samoa and this was submitted to the Japanese Government through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013. The letter of support from the Government of Samoa is attached.

4. It is understood that a decision on the outcome of the proposal will be taken when the next round of applications is considered by the Government of Japan in October 2013.

5. The Meeting is invited to:

- **note** the PCCC will greatly strengthen and increase the services from SPREP to its Pacific Member countries on climate change;
- **strongly** endorse the development of PCCC at SPREP; and
- **note** the progress made on the application to the Government of Japan.