

CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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To: Interested Service Providers
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Subject: Request for tenders (RFT): Developer Specialist – Pacific Islands Protected Area Portal (PIPAP) (Service- Consultancy)

Question 1:

Do we currently have the capability to maintain and enhance the existing PIPAP map interface, including the upkeep of the Geoserver for instance hosted with PIPAP (geoserver.sprep.org), or do we need to develop a new solution for this purpose? (Refer to PIPAP_PBS-2024-001.pdf page 9)

Response:

Confirming that SPREP has the capability to maintain the current PIPAP interface. Furthermore, we do not foresee any new solutions being developed in relation to these (map interface/Geoserver instance) at this point. However, this situation may change based on user feedback and if so, will be subject to further discussions with the successful bidder.

Question 2:

Do we need to build a new function to create an online summary version of the 'Conserving our sea of islands: state of protected and conserved areas in Oceania' report and link to the PIPAP? (Refer to PIPAP_PBS-2024-001.pdf page 9)

Response:

There will be no need to build a new function for this. The online summary will basically fit within existing SPREP online domain. Therefore, it will be more on creating the online summary and linking it to the PIPAP accordingly.

Question 3:

What system is currently utilized for managing the PIPAP Weekly Newsletter? What are the intentions regarding the existing system located at <https://newsletter.pipap.sprep.org/h/r/8873766CAC1143332540EF23F30FEDED>?

Are there plans to integrate its back-end management within Drupal? If so, does an API for the newsletter exist? (Refer to PIPAP_PBS-2024-001.pdf page 8)

Response:

The weekly newsletter is currently running on Campaign Monitor which is a cloud-based software. The current integration of the newsletter with PIPAP will remain and is to be regularly maintained.

Question 4:

What specific web-based tools are you looking to integrate with PIPAP?

Response:

Web-based tools to be integrated will be determined based on feedback from users, from our partners and through our own internal assessment of those tools that will long term add value to the objectives of the PIPAP.

Question 5:

When upgrading to Drupal 10, will PostgreSQL continue to be the chosen database for the PIPAP website, as it was in the previous web development?

Response:

Yes, if needed. Drupal core uses Mariadb, while a separate Postgis database stores GIS info that is read by Drupal core.