



The EU EDF 9 B Envelope Project is really making some great strides as we demonstrate in this issue. The Federated States of Micronesia will have Emergency Operations Centres at state level and Chuuk is the first state to complete construction. In addition to this we are continuing with our training programme with the leadership and support of The Asia Foundation/USAID Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance and also continuing support for the developing of Joint DRM and CCA National Action Plans.

During April we have also been undertaking preparations for the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction which is being held in Geneva from 8th – 13th May. A delegation of about 30 people are representing the Pacific with SOPAC contributing 4 including the SOPAC Division Director, Dr. Russell Howorth. We have worked closely with the UNISDR Sub Regional Office and colleagues from Pacific island countries to prepare for the Platform and will provide insights from those who attended in our May issue.

For the moment though I hope you enjoy reading this issue.

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