

The SOPAC-organized **Pacific Disaster Net** user-training was held recently for the staff of the Fiji National Disaster Management Office as well as other selected Government employees. SOPAC provides assistance to 21 island countries in the Pacific region through applied geoscience and technology.

The <u>Pacific Disaster Net</u> is a website that provides Disaster Risk Management partners in the Pacific, in-country information that addresses disaster management issues as well as assisting in development decision making. The partners include government agencies, regional bodies, non-government organizations and international agencies.

The training, funded under the ACP-EU Natural Disaster Facility, was focused on developing a better understanding of the website, its contents and its functions as well as to encourage "a keenness to use the Pacific Disaster Net on a daily basis."

The training in Fiji was the first of a series that will be held in other Pacific island countries.



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