



**2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the SOPAC Council Committee of the Whole (SCW)  
on the Regional Institutional Framework**  
Banyan Room, Holiday Inn, Suva, Fiji  
Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008

---

AGENDA ITEM	TITLE
2	ADOPTION OF AGENDA
2.2	Provisional Annotated Agenda

---

### Provisional Annotated Agenda

#### **SCW 2.1 Welcome and Introduction of Observers**

As agreed at the SCW-1 invitations to be Observers have been sent to France, the USA, and the Chairs and CEOs of PIF, SPC and SPREP.

#### **SCW 2.2 Adoption of Agenda**

A provisional agenda (see below) was circulated in mid-May, no comments were received, and this annotated agenda has been prepared and circulated.

- 1 Welcome and Introduction of Observers
- 2 Adoption of Agenda
- 3 Minutes of SCW 1
- 4 Documentation
- 5 Actions since SCW 1
- 6 Rationalisation-Beyond-a-Glance
- 7 Roadmap for a Way Forward
- 8 Update on Timelines and Constraints
- 9 SOPAC Director Work Programme between SCW 2 and SCW 3
  - Tasks to be Completed
- 10 Date of SCW 3
- 11 Other Business
- 12 Closing

### **SCW 2.3 Minutes of SCW 1**

The minutes of SCW 1 were circulated for comments by email, changes received and circulated. SCW 2 needs to approve the minutes.

### **SCW 2.4 Documentation**

Members will be aware that all relevant documentation is now available electronically on a restricted site accessible from the SOPAC Homepage.

Distributed ahead of SCW 2 for consideration by Members were:

- The draft minutes of SCW 1.
- The summary outcome of the First CEO Trilateral Meeting.

### **SCW 2.5 Actions since SCW 1**

The Secretariat has made available to Members a web portal accessible from the SOPAC Homepage which provides all the background papers pertaining to the Regional Institutional Framework.

The First CEO Trilateral Meeting was held as anticipated in the margins of the CROP Heads Meeting in Noumea 16 and 18<sup>th</sup> April (copy of summary outcome circulated).

At this meeting the CEOs agreed that a Trilateral at the Programme/Divisional Head level be held before the SCW 2 Meeting. This was completed on the 15 and 16th May 2008.

A Consultant has been secured to carry out an assessment of the legal issues and a verbal progress report will be provided by the Director. The TOR requires the Consultant to carry out a number of tasks and report to the SOPAC Director.

In regard to the contractual agreements SOPAC currently has with donors, the Director will provide a verbal progress report.

The DG of SPC reported to the CEO Trilateral that he would prepare a paper for the SCW 2 on issues he considered of relevance. The Chair may wish to invite Dr Rodgers to circulate and present this paper.

### **SCW 2.6 Rationalisation-Beyond-a-Glance**

A verbal report on progress made at the 1<sup>st</sup> Programme Trilateral Meeting will be provided by the Independent Facilitator Mr Garry Wiseman.

### **SCW 2.7 Roadmap for a Way Forward**

The SCW 1 requested the Director to prepare a road map for a way forward between SCW 2 and SCW 3. In anticipation of this task and as a result of consideration of initial outcomes of the first round of trilateral meetings, the Director hopes to discuss some of the overarching issues in respect to the way forward at the SCW 2.

## **SCW 2.8 Update on Timelines and Constraints**

Timelines and constraints were considered at the SCW 1 Meeting. These may need to be revised by SCW 2.

The SCW 1 noted the following dates and meetings as important for reporting and constrained what the SOPAC team could realistically do in terms of responding to the Leaders' Decision:

- Forum Meeting, 18 August 2008, in Niue (progress report on the SOPAC Council Decision and progress since that decision to be tabled).
- SPREP Meeting in September 2008, in the Federated States of Micronesia (2007 Forum Communiqué to be considered for the first time).
- SPC's CRGA38 Meeting in early October 2008, in Noumea (SPC Director General was tasked at CRGA37 to report back to CRGA38 on a draft roadmap; and on clarification of certain issues to do with cost and legal implications as requested by the US and American Samoa).
- SOPAC Council Meeting, 21-29 October 2008 (in Funafuti).

## **SCW 2.9 SOPAC Director Work Programme between SCW 2 and SCW 3**

The SCW 2 may wish to review the tasks to be completed by the Director in time for the SCW 3.

As agreed by the SCW 1 these tasks included the following.

- Further articulate the preferred institutional arrangements after Committee advice received at its May meeting (SCW 2).
- Elaborate on a draft roadmap to implement or achieve the preferred institutional arrangement(s).
- Commission benefit cost assessments (BCA) between the second and third meetings (tentatively scheduled for mid-July) on the narrowed field of institutional arrangement options.
- Prepare documentation to report on progress to the SOPAC Governing Council in October 2008.

## **SCW 2.10 Date of SCW 03**

A tentative date of 16<sup>th</sup> July is suggested.

## **SCW 2.11 Other Business**

## **SCW 2.12 Closing**