

ENHANCING PROTECTION AND EMPOWERMENT OF MIGRANTS AND COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY CLIMATE CHANGE AND DISASTERS IN THE PACIFIC REGION



PACIFIC CLIMATE CHANGE MIGRATION AND HUMAN SECURITY PROGRAMME

Location

Pacific Island Countries of Kiribati, Tuvalu, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Vanuatu and Fiji

Lead Agency

International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Partners

United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
International Labour Organization (ILO)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS)
Platform on Disaster Displacement (PDD)

Duration

3 years (2019-2022)

Donor

UN Trust Fund for Human Security

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

This regional programme seeks to protect and empower communities adversely affected by climate change and disasters in the Pacific region, focusing specifically on climate change and disaster-related migration, displacement, and planned relocation. The proposed programme will be delivered through a partnership between the UN Agencies of IOM, ILO, OHCHR, and ESCAP, alongside the Platform on Disaster Displacement and the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat.

OBJECTIVE 1:

Pacific communities and governments demonstrate strengthened capacity and coordination through a human security-based response to climate change and disaster-related migration, displacement, and planned relocation.

OBJECTIVE 2:

Migrants and communities in the Pacific Island Countries benefit from safe labor migration as a sustainable development and climate change adaptation strategy.

OBJECTIVE 3:

Contribute to the evidence-base on good practices in responding to climate change and disaster-related migration, displacement, and planned relocation with particular focus on the role of the human security framework.

A key component is to support a regional human security-based response on climate change-related displacement, migration, and planned relocation by facilitating an appropriate framework through regional level consultations. The programme will also empower communities affected by climate change through training and skills development activities to increase access to labour mobility schemes, and pre-departure orientation to support migrants to migrate safely with an understanding of their rights. The programme will also increase the capacity of government and non-government stakeholders to promote labour mobility that is safe, regular, and inclusive. Finally, through case studies and data collection, the programme will contribute to the evidence-base of good practices.

BENEFICIARIES

The programme will benefit vulnerable community members whose mobility patterns and livelihoods are vulnerable to climate and environmental change.