

# Pacific Islands GOOS &

# Promoting Ocean Observing in SIDS

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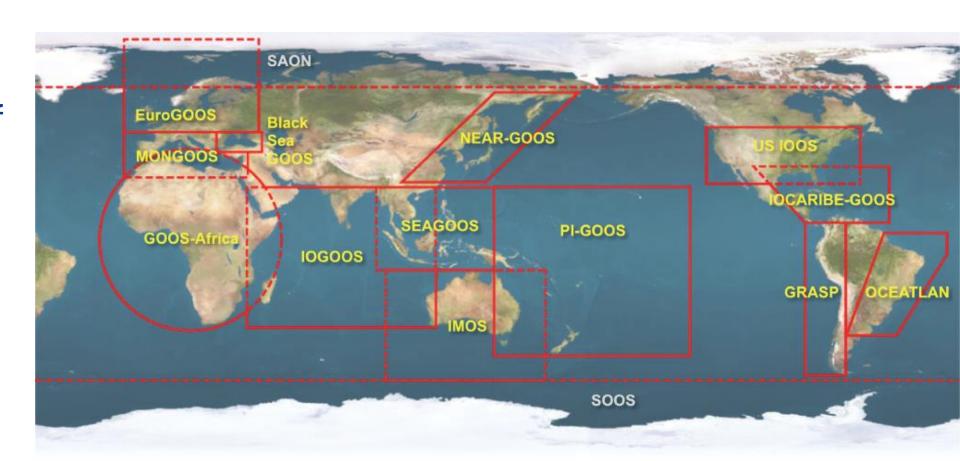
# Pacific Islands-GOOS

# Established as a GOOS Regional Alliance in 1998

To assist in OO development, uptake and use of data

## Sponsors:

- IOC UNESCO (Perth Pacific Office)
- US NOAA Argo Program

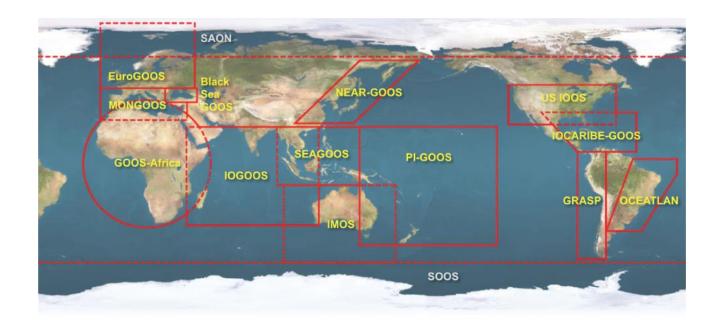




# Pacific Islands-GOOS

# **Key Activity Areas:**

- Coordinating OO in PICTs
- Supporting Development of Marine Weather Programmes
- Marine Data Access and Management
- Education & Training
- Work closely with Pacific Meteorological Council







#### **Pacific Met Council**



#### PMC-4: 4th Meeting of the PMC, Solomon Islands 2017

- Est. 2011, to coordinate sci & tech activities of **NMHS**
- **Directors of Met Services**
- Advises SPREP on needs and priorities of **NMHS**
- Biennial meetings:
  - Next meeting: PMC-5
  - Aug 2019, Samoa







## **Pacific Met Desk Partnership**















- Coordination & Joint planning/design of tech projects & programs
- Mobilizing resources to support PMC & NMHS
- Managed by SPREP & WMO
- Guided by PI Met Strategy



















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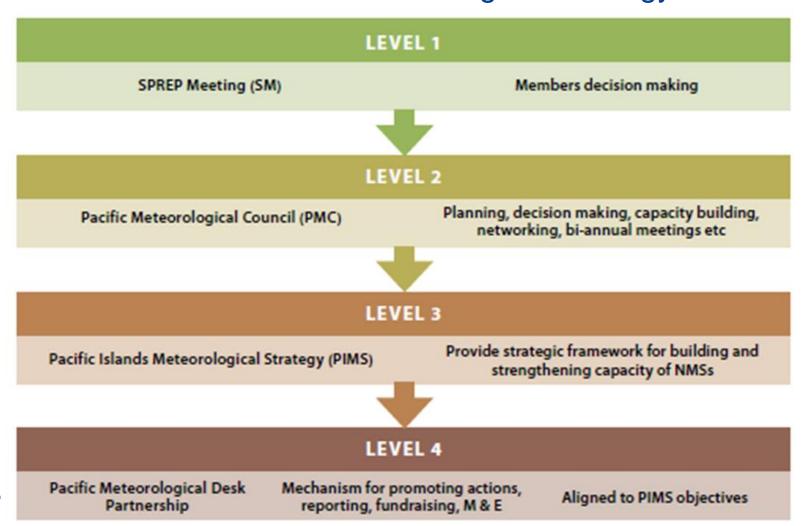


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#### Pacific Islands Meteorological Strategy





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Pacific Islands Meteorological Strategy

- Pacific Key Outcome (PKO) 2: Marine weather services in the PICTs' region are improved
  - 11 National Priority Actions and 8 Regional Priority Actions
- Pacific Key Outcome (PKO) 4: Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems (MHEWS) for tropical cyclones, storm surges, waves and tsunami in the PICTs' region are implemented and improved
- Pacific Key Outcome (PKO) 7: Improved quality of observations and coverage of networks in the Pacific Islands region





## **PMC Expert Panels**



 Advise PMC on 6 thematic area of the Pacific Islands Met Strategy 2017-2026:

- Pacific Island Climate Services (PICS)
- Pacific Island Marine and Oceans Services (PIMOS)
- Pacific Island Aviation Weather Services (PIAWS)
- Pacific Island Communications and Infrastructure (PICI)
- Pacific Island Education, Training and Research (PIETR)
- Pacific Hydrological Services (PHS)







#### **PIMOS Panel**



## PMC-4 Meeting of PIMOS Panel:

- Key Priority Areas:
  - Coastal Inundation and Hazards
  - Marine Weather → Maritime Safety (SOLAS)
  - Marine Meteorology and Climatology
  - Ocean Acidification

### These are supported by:

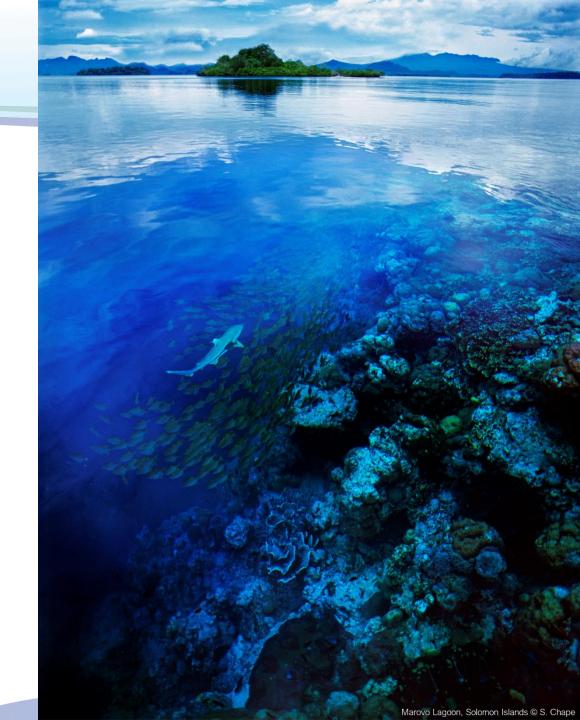
- Observations and data management
- Forecasting
- Climate, Marine & Ocean Services
- Comms and Capacity Building





# Challenges

- Maintaining financial support for PI-GOOS
- Low levels of oceanographic literacy and capacity
  - NMHS need oceanographers
- Low awareness of the importance of OO
- Data sharing in the region is poor





# **Opportunities**

- UN Decade of Ocean Science → raise profile of OO for SIDS
- Increasing awareness of climate change impacts on oceans and importance of Blue Economy
- GCF interested in marine climate adaptation

   → need to demonstrate importance of OO
   and how baseline data is key part of
   adaptation work









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# Thank You

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