



ROUND TABLE MEETING
The University of Fiji , 25th - 28th November, 2014

Project Acronym: EPIC
Full Project Title: Renewable Energy in Pacific Islands: Developing Skills and Capacity
Contract Number: FED/2013/320-282
Meeting dates: 25th - 28th November, 2014
Venue: The University of Fiji



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Meeting Objectives:

The objective of this meeting is to encourage regional cooperation in renewable energy, by establishing a Master's in Renewable Energy Management (REM) programme and a Centre for Renewable Energy (CORE) in both Fiji and Papua New Guinea. The Master's programme in Renewable Energy Management serves as a base to equip the new scientists and managers with up-to-date knowledge in renewable energy issues. The CORE will facilitate research and cooperation at national and international levels in the field of Renewable Energy (RE).

Meeting participants: Partners from the EDULINK II project: University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), University of Alicante (UA), the University of Fiji (UoF), SPC-SOPAC:

Meeting Coordinator: The University of Fiji, (CCCEESD and Department of Science)

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Objectives: The project meetings have two-fold objectives. First, to provide networking opportunities between the prospective stakeholders in RE, as well as project partners. Second, to provide an overview on REM course and Centre of Renewable Energy (CORE). The meeting shall be divided into sessions over four days:

Day 1: A welcome session in which all project team partners will work together, discuss on meeting objectives and provide discussion opportunities on key issues relating to the overall progress of the EPIC project.

Day 2: A round table meeting among the project partners and prospective stakeholders from renewable energy sector. The meeting will deepen the understanding of the distinct activities, outputs and results. This will also help in understanding the situation in renewable energy sector, possible solutions and also ideas for the future of REM programme. This will provide the chance to set the next steps.

Day 3: Visits to the industries involved in the production of electricity through renewable sources, such as biomass and wind.

Day 4: Visit SPC-SOPAC and University of South Pacific

Expected Results: Following the meeting, it is hoped and expected:

- to provide an opportunity to raise issues, exchange information and share experiences and best practices.
- to bring together experts and other stakeholders from the Pacific Islands for advancement and large scale deployment of RE in the region.
- to promote renewable energy by removing barriers impeding to RE use.



25/11/2014 (Tuesday)				
From	To	Duration	Activity	Venue
9.00	9.30	30'	Arrival of the participants.	B200 Hall
9.30	10.15	45'	Traditional Fijian welcome at UoF <i>Organized by Centre for iTaukei Studies.</i>	
10.15	10.50	35'	Tea/Coffee Break	
11.00	11.30	30'	Welcome and meeting objectives Mr. Spike Tang (<i>University of Alicante</i>)	B219
11.30	12.00	30'	Bio-energy in PNG. Mr. Manu Rawali and Mr. Damien Sonny (<i>University of Papua New Guinea</i>)	
12.00	12.30	30'	Bio-energy in Fiji. Mr. Ramendra Prasad and Ms. Dhrishna Charan (<i>The University of Fiji</i>)	
12.30	1.30	60'	Lunch Break	Canteen
1.30	2.00	30'	Climate Change and renewable energy Mr. Aman Deo (<i>University of Fiji</i>)	B219
2.00	3.00	60'	Progress report by UoF <i>UoF Team</i>	
3.00	4.00	60'	Progress report by UPNG <i>UPNG Team</i>	
4.00	5.00	60'	Open discussion establishment of CORE	
			Return to hotel	
			Dinner at 18:30 <i>Venue: Indian Oven, Namaka, Nadi</i>	





26/11/2014 (Wednesday)			Theme- BIOMASS	
From	To	Duration	Activity	Venue
9.00	9.30	30'	Arrival and Welcome of the invited participants	B104
9.30	10.00	30'	Biomass in Spain/Europe Prof. Andres Fullana (<i>University of Alicante</i>)	
10.00	10.30	30'	Biomass: is it a substitute for fossil fuels? Prof. ABM Shawkat Ali (<i>The University of Fiji</i>)	
10.30	11.00	30'	Tea/Coffee Break	Canteen
11.00	11.30	30'	Green Power Schemes: The Need For A Legislative Base in Fiji Mr. Salvin Nand (<i>The University of Fiji</i>)	B104
11.30	12.00	30'	Biomass and Renewable Energy Mr. Jakir Hussain (<i>Fiji Sugar Corporation</i>)	
12.00	12.30	30'	Renewable Energy Management: Experiences of Developing Countries. Prof. Tikiri Herath (<i>The University of Fiji</i>)	
12.30	1.00	30'	Land Issues, agriculture and renewable energy Mr. Vinesh Kumar (<i>Ministry of Agriculture, Fiji</i>)	
1.00	2.00	60'	Lunch Break	Canteen
2.00	2.30	30'	Presentation by DOE Mr. Paula Katirewa (<i>Department of Energy, Fiji</i>)	B104
2.30	3.00	30'	Presentation by FEA Mr. Hasmukh Patel/Mr. Karunesh Rao (<i>Fiji Electricity Authority</i>)	
3.00	3.30	30'	Carbon Emission from Forestry- Case Study in April Salumei, East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea" Prof. Kaluwin (<i>University of PNG</i>)	
3.30	4.00	30'	Tea/ Coffee Break	B 200: Hall
4.00	5.00	60'	Introduction of REM program to the Prospective candidates. <i>Dr. Priit Kilgas (UoF)/Prof. Andres Fullana(UA) /Prof. Kaluwin (UPNG)/Dr. Syed Ghani (UoF)</i>	B 200: Hall
5.00	5.30	30'	Afternoon Tea	





27/11/2014 (Thursday)				
From	To	Duration	Activity	Venue
9.00	9.50	50'	Matters Arising and discussion on EPIC/CORE and REM. Future progress opportunities <i>UA/UoF/UNPG</i>	B219
9.50	10.00	10'	Tea/Coffee Break	Canteen
10.00			Proceed for field visit: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tropik Wood Industries• Butoni Wind Farm	

28/11/2014 (Friday)				
From	To	Duration	Activity	Venue
0900	1400		Visit SPC-SOPAC and University of South Pacific	Suva





Name	Organization/Designation
Anare Matakiviti	IUCN Oceania
Paula Katirewa	Fiji Department of Energy
Rigieta Lord	University of Fiji – TLDU
Dr. Amardasa	University of Fiji
Sarah Hemstoude	SPC/ USP
Jakir Hussain	Fiji Sugar Cooperation
Thomas Peters	Fiji Sugar Cooperation
Shiveel Raj	Student Participant – Unifiji
Alvin Chandra	Student Participant – Unifiji
Kelvin Kumar	Student Participant – Unifiji
Narendra Reddy	University of Fiji
Om Dutt Sharma	Fiji Electricity Authority
Vinesh Kumar	Ministry of Agriculture
Prof. Shawkat Ali	University of Fiji
Prof. Herath Tikiri	University of Fiji
Bindhu Iype	TLDU - Unifiji
Salvin Nand	University of Fiji
Dr. Priit Kilgas	University of Fiji



Dr. Syed Ghani	University of Fiji
Ramendra Prasad	University of Fiji
Priyatma Singh	University of Fiji
Aman Deo	University of Fiji
Roselyn Naidu	University of Fiji
Geetika	University of Fiji
Dhrishna Charan	University of Fiji
Sanjay Singh	University of Fiji
Andreen Kiran	University of Fiji
Chalapan Kaluwin	University of Papua New Guinea
Moyap Kilepak	University of Papua New Guinea
Damien Sonny	University of Papua New Guinea
Manu Rawali	University of Papua New Guinea
Andres Fullana	University of Alicante
Spike Tang	University of Alicante

