

Tuvalu National Trade Development Strategy

INCEPTION WORKSHOP

*Tomasi Puapua Convention Center, Funafuti, Tuvalu
20 - 21 October 2021, 14:00-16:30hrs Tuvalu Time (UTC+12)*

AGENDA

Time	DAY 1 – Wednesday 20 th October 2021	
14:00 – 14:30	<p>OPENING SESSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Prayer • Opening comments by Government <i>Mr Nikolasi Apinelu, Permanent Secretary of Fisheries & Trade, Tuvalu</i> • Opening comments by Partners <i>Mr. Ratnakar Adhikari, Executive Director, EIF/WTO & Mr Sudip Ranjan Basu, Deputy Head, UN ESCAP Pacific Office</i> 	
14:30 – 14:40	<i>BREAK [10 min]</i>	
14:40 – 15:20	<p>SESSION 1: Introductions of Regional Partners</p> <p>Presentations from Regional Partners linked to the Trade Development Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Sudip Ranjan Basu, Deputy Head, UN ESCAP Pacific Office • Mr Zarak Khan, Director Programmes & Initiatives at Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS) • Ms Christina Gale, Sustainable Tourism and Research Manager, The Pacific Tourism Organisation (SPTO) • Mr William John Gain, Global Program Manager Trade Facilitation & Border Management at The World Bank Group 	<p><i>Facilitated by – Mr Falaoa Sione, Head of Trade, Tuvalu</i></p>

15:20 – 16:00	<p>SESSION 2: Overview of Trade Development Strategy</p> <p>Overview of Process</p> <p>Presentation to focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Darryl Ikkal, EIF Project Officer, Tuvalu Department of Trade • Mr. Falaoa Sione, Head of Trade, Tuvalu Department of Trade • Mr. Taukelina Finikaso, National Consultant • Q & A from Participants 	<p><i>Facilitated by</i> – <i>Mr Falaoa Sione, Head of Trade, Tuvalu</i></p>
16:00	REFRESHMENT [Lunch] - END OF DAY 1	

Time	DAY 2 – Thursday 21 st October 2021	
14:00 – 15:00	<p>SESSION 3: Trade Agreements for Tuvalu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Falaoa Sione, Head of Trade, Tuvalu Department of Trade • Ms. Witada Anukoonwattaka, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Division, UNESCAP • Mr. Roy Lagolago, Head of the PACER PLUS IMPLEMENTATION UNIT- Samoa 	<p><i>Facilitated by– Mr Taukelina Finikaso, National Consultant</i></p>
15:00 – 16:20	REFRESHMENT [20 min]	
15:20 – 16:20	<p>SESSION 4: Bilateral Trade Agreements & Trade Promotion <i>Mr Falaoa Sione, Head of Trade, Tuvalu Department of Trade</i></p> <p>Experiences - Bilateral trade agreements and trade promotion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Masau Detunamo, Director of Trade, Nauru • Mr Yusuf Riza, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Economic Development, Maldives 	
16:30	<p>CLOSING REMARKS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Nikolasi Apinelu, Permanent Secretary of Fisheries & Trade, Tuvalu • Mr. Iosefa Maiava, Head, UN ESCAP Pacific Office 	
	REFRESHMENT [Lunch] - END OF DAY 2	

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