The Oceania Regional Conservation Forum provides a platform for members to receive progress reports from the regional office on the implementation of the 2017-2020 programme, updates on IUCN governance issues, implementation of IUCN resolutions and hear first on a number of emerging global issues such as climate change, synthetic biology and IUCN’s collaboration with IPBES. Members will also be able to provide their own stories on the great work they are doing in our concerted efforts towards a just world that values and conserves nature. The Forum will also provide members with updates on the 2021-2024 global intersessional programme and the priorities that will help shape the regional implementation plan 2021-2024. It also provides an opportunity for IUCN Members and IUCN Commissions in Oceania to prepare for the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Marseille, France in June 2020.
Monday 29 2019 Various Venues: Nadi & Nausori Airports, Hotels, and PIFS

Prior to arrival delegates register online see this link: https://forms.gle/c4MswKDD4bGT3a3u5. Registration closes on Sunday 14 July 2019

On arrival, delegates receive their DSA, updated conference package including an updated agenda, transport plan and take the opportunity to meet and greet each other. Ministerial level bilateral meetings and other bilateral meetings to be finalized

10:00am-1pm Pre-Forum Constituency Meetings

The regional vice-chairs of the six IUCN commissions, national committees and members meet to finalize their briefs for the ORCF. These sessions will be coordinated by the membership focal point Ms. Sarah Tawaka. The following pre-forum meetings have been organized. Others can be organised on request:

- 10:00am-11:30am Pacific constituency meeting – main conference room (Ana Tiraa)
- 10:00am-11:30am meeting of the regional vice-chairs of the IUCN commissions – conference room A
- 10:00am-11:30am meeting of the regional vice-chairs of the IUCN commissions - conference room B
- 11:30am-1pm Fiji national committee meeting – conference room A
- 11:30am-1pm Palau national committee meeting – conference room B
- 11:30am-1pm constituency meetings – main conference room

1:00 – 2:30pm Lunch

Main Conference Room and Committee rooms A & B available for lunch hour side-events

- 2:30pm-4:00pm constituency meeting – conference room A
- 2:30pm-4:00pm NZ IUCN meeting – conference room B
- 2:30pm-4:00pm constituency meetings – main conference room

Event coordinator: Ms. Sarah Tawaka the membership focal point

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In addition to their report to the Forum, Members and Commissions are encouraged to come prepared with motions/resolutions to be submitted to the IUCN World Conservation Congress. In addition, delegates will be required to provide feedback on regional priorities and their views on the thematic areas highlighted in the IUCN Global Programme 2021-2024.
5:00-6:00pm  Traditional Ceremonies of Welcome
Like the Pacific Ocean, tradition and culture play a very prominent role in the lives of the Pacific people. It is the magimagi\(^3\) that binds them to their Moana and qele, their lotu and ohana\(^4\). It weaves its influence into every aspect of daily life and has imbedded in their elders the wisdom of custodianship and of sustainable harvest. In keeping with this tradition, the Oceania Regional Office will traditionally welcome all members to the forum. This will be held at the PIFS rara (green) is the tent provided for this occasion. All members are requested to be seated by 4:45pm.
**Event Coordinator:** Mr. Ifereimi Dau IUCN ORO. Fijian ceremonies of welcome will be performed by a local village group.

6:00pm-8:00pm  Cocktail for Nature Hosted by the Government of Fiji\(^5\)
The IUCN Oceania regional office is hosted by the Government of Fiji (GOF) through the Department of Environment, under a host country agreement. IUCN is indeed grateful to the GOF for its ongoing support to the regional office over the past 11 years and the office looks forward to this strengthened partnership in future. The forum’s cocktail for nature is being hosted by the Department of Environment. All members are welcomed. Invitations plus the program will be included with the members’ conference package.
**Event Coordinator:** GOF Department of Environment

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\(^3\) Sinew. Rope made from coconut fibre
\(^4\) Moana is ocean, qele is land, lotu is faith and ohana is family
\(^5\) This event will also include the presentation of prizes for the photo competition and the proposed signing of the IUCN/tbc MOU. In addition, a short announcement will be made WRT the PIRT 10th Nature Conference in New Caledonia in April 2020
\(^6\) Regional councillors breakfast meeting at hotel 7:30am-8:30am
\(^7\) Ms. Anna Tira
• Introduction of the French Ambassador to Fiji or SG PIFS by Mili
• Remarks by the French Ambassador/SG PIFS
• Introduction of the Acting DG/RD ARO by Ms. Jignasha Hansji
• Opening Address by the Acting DG/RD ARO
• Questions and introductions
• Vote of thanks by the nominated state member
• Group photo

Event Coordinator: Ms. Sarah Tawaka, IUCN ORO

10:00 – 10:30 Morning Tea
10:30 – 10:45 Organization of the Meeting
There will be a brief session to explain and endorse the agenda and the organizational arrangement for the meeting. Members will be presented the outline of the Regional Conservation Forum agenda, the format and expected outcomes of the meeting.

Chair: IUCN Councillor
Presenters: IUCN ORO RD/RPC/MFP
Rapporteur: Evia Tavanavanua

10:45 – 1:00pm Session 1: One Programme Update
This session is designed to lay the foundation for discussions in the sessions to follow. Delegates will hear from the commissions and national committees who will present and profile the work they have undertaken in their respective areas of expertise and focus. The objective of this session is to encourage greater collaboration across the regional office, the commissions and Oceania members - the One Programme approach. Presenters will include representatives from:

• Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP)
• World Commission Environmental Law (WCEL)
• Species Survival Commission (SSC)
• Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM)
• World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA)
• Commission on Education and Communication (CEC)
To round off this session, delegates will hear from the IUCN Regional Director (RD), Mason Smith on the journey of the IUCN Oceania Regional Office over the past three years. The RD will highlight achievements, challenges and the aspiration of the organization as it prepares for the intercessional programme for the next four years. Brief discussions will follow.

**Session Chair:** IUCN Councillor Mr Andrew Bignell  
**Rapporteurs:** Kate Davey, Chinnamma Reddy and John Kaitu’u

| 1:00 – 2:30pm Lunch | Main Conference Room and Committee rooms A & B available for lunch hour side-events  
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| 2:30pm – 4:00pm     | Session 2A: IPBES High Level Session  

This session is designed to provide all members with an update on the interactions between IUCN and the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) pursuant to Resolutions WCC_2012_RES 117 and WCC_2012_RES 118. How can members use this platform to engage and be involved in science and policy at the regional and international level? What are the benefits of this engagement to Members and how they should be engaged?

**Session Chair:** IUCN Councillor Mr Peter Cochrane  
**Rapporteurs:** Etika and Varea Romanu  
**Presenters:** Outline as follows

- Video: Intro to IPBES  
- Opening remarks (Dr. Leanne Fernandes Marine Programme Coordinator IUCN ORO): context, purpose and aims of the IPBES session  
- Follow-on remarks (Flore Lafaye de Micheaux): context, outcomes of IUCN-IPBES partnership and perspectives  
- Presentation Global Assessment (GA expert from that region in-person or Skype)  
- Q & A  
- Panel discussion: What next for the Oceania region?  
  - Panel Moderator:  
  - Panel Members; AC IUCN Rep, NZ IUCN Rep, and nominated Oceania State Member  
- Wrap up and close (Dr. Leanne Fernandes)

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8 Palau TBC
4:00pm – 5:30pm  
**Session 2B: Constituency Update**
The Membership Focal Point will provide an update on the status of the regional membership of IUCN including its Commissions. Topics will include:

- Members’ feedback on version 1.0 of the Membership Strategy – presentation of version 2.0
- Update on IUCN membership including new applications from the region, national and regional committees, and membership dues
- Update on Commission Membership

**Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa  
**Presenter:** IUCN ORO Membership Focal Point  
**Rapporteurs:** Seruwaia and Ananta

5:30pm-5:40pm  
**Session 2C: Day’s Wrap Up:**
An overview of the following day’s programme will be presented to delegates by the Regional Director or his nominated staff.

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**Wednesday 31 July 2019**  
Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat  
**Day 2**

09:00 – 10:00am  
**Day’s Opening Session**

- Call to order/prayer (Micronesia representative)
- Recap previous day’s proceedings – rapporteurs
- Empowered voices – statement by the nominated young eco-champion

**Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa.

10:00 – 10:30  
**Morning Tea**

10:30am – 11:15am  
**Session 3A: IUCN towards 2024 and Beyond**
Members and Commission members will hear from the IUCN Acting Director General (TBC), on IUCN’s vision going forward to 2024 and beyond and the building blocks for the 2021-2024 Intersession Programme. What this means for IUCN Oceania and how Membership can be engaged to realize this vision. The Acting Director General will also take the time to brief the Membership on the preparations for the WCC in Marseille, France in June 2020, the CBD

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9 Introduction by tbc
COP15 in Beijing in November 2020 and the next steps in influencing the post 2020 Framework plus the 2030 SDGs. A question and answer session in plenary will also be featured.

Chair: IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tira
Presenter: IUCN Acting Director General or her Representative
Rapporteur: Ken Kassem

11:15am-12:00pm  Session 3B: IUCN Programme 2021-2024
This session will focus on explaining and understanding the draft global programme 2021-2024. The objective is to affirm IUCN’s One Programme approach. It also provides an opportunity for members and commission members to deliberate and obtain input and feedback from the draft programme prior to its endorsement at the 2020 World Conservation Congress. Issues to be discussed include:

- Global challenges to Biodiversity and sustainable development
- Building blocks and key thematic areas
- Regionalising the Global Programme
- Identify the regions contribution to the implementation of the Global Programme

Chair: IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Peter Cochrane
Presenter: Andrew Foran, Regional Programme Coordinator - IUCN Secretariat to provide slides
Rapporteur: Ken Kassem

12:00pm-1:00pm  Session 3C: IUCN Oceania Regional Implementation Plan – Priorities
In this session, and based on feedback from Members, the forum will discuss the regional priorities for input into the draft global intercessional programme 2021-2024. These priorities will also dovetail into the Oceania regional implementation plan. The plan will show how IUCN Oceania Regional Office will apply and implement the global programme during the intercessional period at the regional level. Members and Commission members are encouraged to discuss and agree on these priorities. Initial feedback will be provided from plenary. Members and commission members are encouraged take up the challenge to support and promote the implementation and delivery of the regional programme of work.

Chair: IUCN Councillor Mr. Andrew Bignell
Presenter: Andrew Foran, Regional Programme Coordinator
Rapporteur: Clea Farrow and Fipe Tuitubou
1.00pm-2.30pm  Lunch  Main Conference room and Committee rooms A & B available for lunch hour side-events
Side Event Committee room A: Synthetic Biology by Presented by Peter Cochrane Regional Councillor Oceania

2:30pm-3:30pm  Session 4A: Members Reports
The membership focal point will coordinate this session. Members will use this session to provide a brief update on the tremendous work they are doing in the region. This will be organized sub-regionally and will be followed by brief discussions.
Chair: IUCN Regional councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa
Presenters: Nominated members from Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia.
Rapporteurs: Varea and Evia

3:30pm-5:30pm  Session 4C: Feedback Session – Healthy Oceans
Session chair: IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Peter Cochrane
Rapporteur: Dr. Leanne Fernandes
The forum will be required to provide feedback on the Healthy Oceans thematic in the 2021-2024 IUCN Global Programme. Participants will be organized in four main groups (Micronesia, Melanesia, Polynesia and Australia/NZ) and will select their own leader to chair the discussions, a rapporteu and someone to present back to plenary. The feedback will focus on the following:

- **Threats & Opportunities.** What are the most important threats to nature and people that need to be addressed with IUCN current or future capabilities?
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**Time allocation:** 1 hour group discussion and 30 minutes feedback

5:30pm-5:40pm  Session 4D: Day’s Wrap Up:
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11 The side event session will provide members with an overview of Synthetic Biology and the ongoing IUCN policy development process stemming from Resolution WCC_2016_RES 086.
6pm-8pm  
Side Event: BIOPAMA Side Event
This session is being coordinated and hosted by the IUCN Oceania Protected Areas Programme and WDPA and will be a panel discussion that focuses on fair and effective protected and conserved areas in the Pacific. A flyer will be provided.

Thursday 01 August 2019
Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

09:00 – 10:00am  Day’s Opening Session
Session Chair: IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa
- Call to order/prayer (Polynesian representative)
- Recap previous day’s proceedings – rapporteurs
- Empowered voices – statement by the nominated women’s conservation organization

10:00 – 10:30  Morning Tea

10:30-11:15am  Session 5A: IUCN Governance
The session will provide Members with the opportunity to familiarize themselves with updates on a number of IUCN governance issues and the preparations for and the rules for the conduct of the Members’ Assembly. Members will discuss and provide inputs and feedback on proposals from the Council or Members for improvement and reforms to Governance. This session will be facilitated by one of the Regional Councillors and topics will include:
- Improving IUCN’s Governance including agreed amendments to the Statutes, Rules of Procedure and Regulations
- Improvements to the motions process (decision C/95/11) and renewal of the membership of the IUCN Commissions (decision C/95/12.3),
- Approved criteria for the qualities required for the elected positions, to be attached to the Call for nominations
- External Evaluation of IUCN’s governance
- Transition towards a new IUCN Director General

Session Chair: IUCN Councillor Mr. Andrew Bignell
Presenter: Ms. Fleurange
Rapporteur: Paul van NIMWEGEN

12 Introductions by tbc
11:15-12:00pm  
**Session 5B: Governance - Motions Procedures, Nomination of Councillors & Resolutions Platform**
In this session, members will hear of changes to the rules of procedures, particularly those which deal with the motion process. This session will also look at the following issues:
- motions process – approval of the template for the submission of motions and dates for the electronic vote on motions
- approved guidance for the nomination of candidates for honorary membership, and the Phillips and Coolidge medals
- process for nominating the three regional councillors
- motions from the region. etc.

**Session Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa  
**Presenter:** IUCN Regional Councillor or Ms. Fleurange  
**Rapporteur:** Etika Qica

12:00pm-1:00pm  
**Session 5C: Feedback Session – Healthy Lands & Waters**
The forum will be required to provide feedback on the Healthy Lands & Waters thematic in the 2021-2024 IUCN Global Programme. Participants will be organized in four main groups (Micronesia, Melanesia, Polynesia and Australia/NZ) and will select their own leader to chair the discussions, a rapporteur and someone to present back to plenary. The feedback will focus on the following:
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Note: feedback after Session 6B  
**Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Andrew Bignell  
**Rapporteur:** Helen Pippard
1:00pm – 2:30pm  Lunch  
Main Conference Room and Committee rooms B available for lunch hour side-events  
BIOPAMA Side Event Committee Room A

2:30pm-3:30pm  Session 6A: Members Report
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**Session Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Andrew Bignell  
**Presenters:** Nominated Australia & New Zealand based Members and Commission Members

3:30pm-5:30pm  Session 6B Feedback Session – Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation
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**Session Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa  
**Rapporteur:** Helen Pippard

5:30pm-5:40pm  Session 6C: Day’s Wrap Up:
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13 Tools for improving protected and conserved area management.
6pm-8pm  **Marine Programme Side Event: Excellence in Ocean Governance**
Representatives from the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu and Samoa will be sharing their experience in ocean governance, including marine spatial planning, national ocean policy, network of protected areas and public consultations. A flyer will be provided.

**Friday 02 August 2019**
Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat  
**Day 4**

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14 Introductions by tbc
In this session, the forum will discuss the various regional priorities that were presented earlier in the forum. These priorities will inform IUCN’s Global Programme and will dovetails into the Oceania Regional Implementation Plan. Any additional edits will be undertaken by ORO in the lead up to the WCC.

**Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Peter Cochrane  
**Presenter:** Andrew Foran, Regional Programme Coordinator  
**Rapporteurs:** Clea Farrow and Fipe Tuitubou

### 1:00-2:30pm Lunch
Main conference Room and Committee rooms A & B available for lunch hour side-events

### 2:30-3:30pm
**Session 8C: 2020 World Conservation Congress**
In this session, a presentation will be made on preparations and **timelines** for the 2020 World Conservation Congress (WCC) and what this means for members. How IUCN Oceania will be organised during the WCC and how we can maximise the opportunity to discuss issues at the global level which are significant to the region. Members will also hear how the IUCN Oceania Regional Office plans to prepare and mobilise the region in the build up to the WCC.

**Session Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Mr. Bignell  
**Presenters:** IUCN Union Development Group Representative (Ms. Fleurange) & IUCN Regional Director  
**Rapporteur:** Sarah Tawaka and Ananta

### 3:30pm-4:30pm
**Session 8C: Closing Session**
The forum will be closed in the following sequence:

- Closing remarks by the Regional Director
- Closing remarks by the Acting DG IUCN or her nominated representative
- Closing address by the GOF representative
- Vote of thanks by nominated Member(s)
- Closing prayer (Nawaia). Fijian farewell song “isa lei” plus kava farewell

**Session Chair:** IUCN Regional Councillor Ms. Ana Tiraa  
**Rapporteurs:** Anjani & Mere
6:00pm-12midnight  IUCN Staff Club Pacific Night – Dinner
As part of its preparation for the World Conservation Congress in Marseille, France in June 2020, the IUCN Oceania Regional Office staff club will host a Pacific-themed lovo (earth oven) and seafood dinner at the Fiji Museum15.

Tickets: $150.00 per person
- Free entry into the Fiji museum
- 1 hour free cocktail
- 10-course love and seafood pacific buffet dinner
- Cultural items and dance
- Lucky door prizes. See flyer to be issued

Saturday 03 August 2019  Self-funded excursions

0900am-3:00pm Details TBC
2:00pm: IUCN Team Debrief

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15 A number of Congress side events to show case Pacific conservation work including the important work done by IPOs and indigenous local knowledge etc. are planned.