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PACIFIC SAFETY OF NAVIGATION PROJECT PHASE 2 YEAR 2

IALA LEVEL 1 ATON MANAGER COURSE



- 1 Cook Islands
(no AtoN manger before training)
- 2 Fiji
- 3 FSM
(no AtoN manager before training)
- 4 Kiribati
- 5 Niue
(no AtoN manager before training)
- 6 Solomon Islands
- 7 Tonga
- 8 Tuvalu
(no AtoN manager before training)
- 9 Vanuatu

IALA SIRA ATON ASSESSMENTS:



Technical recommendations for Luganville (VANUATU)



Technical recommendations for Christmas Island (KIRIBATI)



Recommendations for Majuro (MARSHALL ISLANDS)

SoN PROJECT ENHANCING SOUTH-TO-SOUTH COLLABORATION

Eritaia Tauro (Marine Officer – AtoN Manager, Department of Marine, MICTTD – Kiribati): *“This work attachment has assisted me in further developing my work skills and building my capacity as AtoN Manager. It also gave me a good understanding on how to develop my own AtoN Maintenance and Budget plan in order to improve and maintain the life span of all AtoNs used in Betio and Kiritimati ports (international ports)”.*



Eritaia Tauro (Marine Officer – AtoN Manager, Department of Marine, MICTTD – Kiribati)



Patrick Wamahe (Principal Marine Officer – AtoN, Solomon Islands Maritime Safety Administration (SIMSA))

Patrick Wamahe (Principal Marine Officer – AtoN, Solomon Islands Maritime Safety Administration (SIMSA)): *“I’m very appreciative of SPC for this week’s work attachment It clearly pointed out some activities which every AtoN manager should be doing in each country, such as preparing an AtoN maintenance budget and scheduling regular maintenance activities.”*



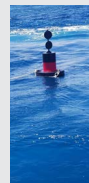
PALAU has started a maintenance programme of its beacons and buoys along the main entrance channels to the port of Koror and retrofitted some of its critical AtoN.

Vanuatu success story

- a Meeting with Vanuatu PM in November 2019 to present recommendations from Port Vila and Luganville SIRA reports.
- b Vanuatu Council of Ministers approved recommendations and requested allocation of a budget for their funding.
- c SIRA assessment in Luganville primarily undertaken by Mr Charlie Maniel, newly trained AtoN Manager by SPC.
- d Vanuatu AtoN Unit fit 7 domestic ports with new AtoN and purchased and installed a new Emergency Wreck Buoy in Port Vila bay.



starboard buoy in Melsisi



Isolated Danger Mark in Malekula



Emergency Wreck Buoy Port Vila



Tuesday 18th February 2020.

Hon. Charlot SALWAI TABIMASMAS (MP), Prime Minister of the Republic of Vanuatu -
Government of the Republic of Vanuatu.

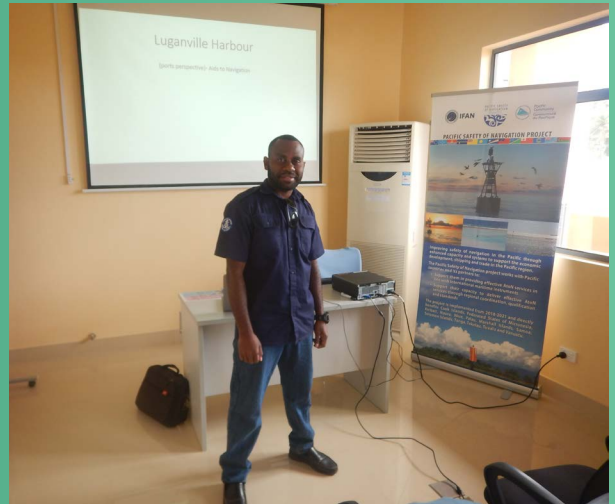
Dear Honourable Prime Minister,

DESISEN 006: ASSESSEM RISK BLONG NAVIGATION LONG VANUATU: RESULTS
BLONG IMPLEMENTATION BLONG OL SIMPLIFIED RISK ASSESSMENT (SIRA)
METHODS WE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION BLONG MARINE AIDS TO
NAVIGATION & LIGHT HOUSE AUTHORITIES (IALA) I BIN DEVELOPEM LONG OL
PORTS LONG PORT-VILA & LUGANVILLE.

Kaonsel blong of Minister (KBM) I been gat N°001 ORDINARY COM MEETING blong hemi long
Tuesday 18th February 2020.

Long taem la KBM I mekem of decision olsem:

1. COM I notem of results blong A to N Risk Assessment blong ol Ports long Port-Vila mo
Luganville.
2. COM I notem of proposed risk control options mo asociated costs vases of costs blong
wan single bigfata accident mo ol annual A-to N- maintenance costs;
3. COM I approvum every recommendation we I stap long pepa especially blong daonek
risk, mo improvum safety blong navigation long ol waters blong Vanuatu.



Charlie Maniel, Operations Manager, Ports & Marine Department,
Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Utilities of Vanuatu



WORKPLAN AFFECTED DUE TO COVID-19

TRAVEL: On 20th March 2020 Fiji closed its borders until further notice.

SPC had five country visits scheduled between March and May 2020, three of which to undertake SIRA risk assessments, which has to be postponed. SPC quickly adapted to the new global scenario and modified the project's **workplan to accomplish several activities remotely, while waiting for travels to resume.**

PARTNER ENGAGEMENT: Pacific government partners in lockdown since February/March 2020.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: since March 2020, all regional meetings deferred until further notice.

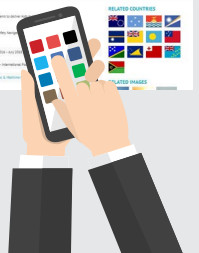
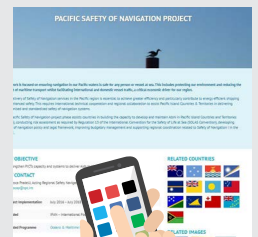
"I am glad that SPC has stepped in with remote assistance to further improve Vanuatu's AtoN services during COVID-19. Once we will complete the drafting of a AtoN maintenance plan and a maintenance budget, we will have a solid base to further convince the government for more human resources and finance support" from Mr Robson Tari, AtoN Officer, Department of Ports and Marine, Vanuatu Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Utilities.

COMMUNICATION

- ① 2 short videos
- ② a project webpage
- ③ 5 SIRA AtoN reports published



- Facebook, 35,600 followers (growing by about 5000 every 2months)
- Twitter, 24,400 followers (growing by about 1500 a month)
- LinkedIn, 17,500 followers (growing by about 500 a month)
- SPC website, 50,000-60,000 visitors a month
- Youtube channel, 1.5 million views



THE WAY FORWARD

1 micro qualification drafting for IALA Level 1 Manager Course

10 country missions (with 4 risk assessments and 7 1-day workshop)

4 SIRA AtoN assessments and 7 1 day AtoN maintenance workshop

