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TO: SPREP National Focal Points
Climate Change Focal Points
Timor-Leste NAO

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SUBJECT: Invitation: Virtual PCCP User Requirements Workshop 18 August 2020

Dear Focal Points,

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) through the Intra-ACP GCCA+ Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change and Resilience Building (PACRES) will convene the Virtual Pacific Climate Change Portal (PCCP) User Requirements Workshop on 18 August 2020.

PACRES aims to scale up regional and national climate change portals to increase access to and reach of climate change and disaster resilience information. Portals operate in a rapidly evolving environment. New technologies can enable better access to information; on-line tools enable users to plan responses to the impacts of climate change; and there is scope to enhance interoperability and data sharing between portals at both the regional and national levels.

The virtual workshop will elicit the views of national and regional stakeholders on improved functionality for the PCCP. It will draw on the experience of other projects such as INFORM which has established national environment portals across the region

A discussion paper highlighting proposed enhancements will be circulated two weeks before the workshop.

Recommendations from the workshop will go to the PACRES Steering Committee Meeting to be held 19-20 August.

It is recommended participants convene at a central location for the virtual workshop. SPREP can support internet costs for the four-hour workshop, and requests focal points to make requests for support as soon as possible, including information on internet providers in your country, their contact persons and their rates.

Please indicate your country delegation participation no later than C.O.B on **Friday 31 July** to **Emma Arasi-Sua (emmaa@sprep.org)** and copy to **foinijanceyf@sprep.org**.

Yours sincerely,



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