



Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women and Girls

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OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

FORMAL AND INFORMAL EDUCATION

SOCIAL NORMS AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES

PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

To enhance Pacific youth's formal in-school and informal education on gender equality and prevention of violence against women and girls.

This outcome of the Pacific Partnership is funded by the European Union (EU) and coordinated by the Pacific Community (SPC) Regional Rights Resource Team (RRRT).

To promote gender equitable social norms at individual and community levels to prevent violence against women and girls, and to ensure survivors have access to quality response services.

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To empower national and regional civil society organisations (CSOs) to advocate, monitor and report on regional institutions and government commitments to enhance gender equality and prevent violence against women and girls.

This outcome of the Pacific Partnership is funded by the EU and coordinated by the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (Forum Secretariat).

TARGET COUNTRIES INCLUDE:

Kiribati, Republic of Marshall Islands and Tuvalu.

Technical support provided on demand to all Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs), alongside regional initiatives.

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Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu, and other PICs.



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The Pacific region has some of the highest rates of violence against women recorded in the world – twice the global average with an estimated two in every three Pacific women impacted by gender-based violence. Along with high rates of violence – a violation of human rights – women and girls in the Pacific region experience constant and continual inequalities including low levels of participation in decision making, limited economic opportunities, restricted access to rights.

The Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women and Girls (Pacific Partnership) brings together governments, civil society organisations, communities and other partners to promote gender equality, prevent violence against women and girls (VAWG), and increase access to quality response services for survivors.

To achieve this, the Pacific Partnership aims to transform the social norms that allow violence against women and girls to continue; to ensure survivors have access to quality response services; and to support national and regional institutions to meet their commitments to gender equality and prevention of violence against women and girls. Working through partners, it will promote equal rights and opportunities for all Pacific people, through innovative approaches to education, access to essential services, and policy development.

The EUR 19.5million partnership is funded primarily by the European Union (EUR 12.7m) that supports all three outcome areas of the programme, with the Australian Government providing targeted funding to the second outcome (EUR 6.2m or AUD 7.6m) with cost-sharing from UN Women (EUR 0.6m or USD 0.75m). The programme's three outcome areas are jointly implemented through a partnership between the Pacific Community (SPC) Regional Rights Resource Team (RRRT), Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (Forum Secretariat) and UN Women Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO).

The three key outcome areas follow:

- **Outcome 1:** To enhance Pacific youth's formal in-school and informal education on gender equality and prevention of violence against women and girls. This outcome is funded by the EU and coordinated by SPC RRRT.
- **Outcome 2:** To promote gender equitable social norms at individual and community levels to prevent violence against women and girls, and to ensure survivors have access to quality response services. This outcome is funded by the European Union and Australian Government with support from the UN Women Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO) that is also the coordinating agency.
- **Outcome 3:** To empower national and regional civil society organisations (CSOs) to advocate, monitor and report on regional institutions and governments commitments to enhance gender equality and prevent violence against women and girls. This outcome is funded by the EU and coordinated by the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat.

The five-year programme (2018-2022) targets countries and territories in the Pacific region including, but not limited to, Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.

The Pacific Partnership recognises the importance of gender equality for achieving sustainable development. It directly contributes to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 5 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to 'achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls'. The programme directly supports the implementation of the 2012 Pacific Leaders Gender Equality Declaration, the Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development, and the Pacific Platform for Action on Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights 2018-2030.