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Preamble

- Recognition of climate change and environment as key issues in the National Development Strategy in the Pacific region
- Recognizing current initiatives in developing National Sustainable Development Strategies, National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plan (NBSAP) and National Sector Plans their emphasis on monitoring and reporting
- Recognizing other demand for reporting (e.g. UNCCD, FAO, etc.)
- Recognizing current initiatives in developing National Statistics
 Development Strategies and State of the Environment (SOEs) reports
- Recognizing the important coordinating role of the National Statistical Offices
- Recognizing constraint and challenges in producing environment statistics
 - Lack of statistical coordination
 - Lack of technical and institutional capacity
 - Dispersed data across institutions
 - Lack of IT infrastructure
- The Workshop recognizes the SEEA as a promising framework for improving coordination and develop integrated environment statistics in the Pacific region.

Principles

- Strategic approach to implementation
- Close links to policy priorities
- Bottom up approach
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 - Country ownership but....
 - Close linkages with regional and global plans
- Sub-regional and regional approach
 - South-south cooperation
 - North-south cooperation
 - Triangular cooperation (with donors)
- Linked to the 2008 SNA implementation programme and the global strategy for agriculture and rural statistics
- Stages of implementation: 2016 baseline, 2020 medium-term
- Advocacy and communication

Way forward – at the country level

September-mid-October 2013

- Establish a national statistical coordination mechanism including data producers and users
- Prepare a self-assessment based on the rapid assessment covering:
 - Institutional arrangements (e.g. stakeholders, legal frameworks, data exchanges mechanisms, MoUs, etc.)
 - Policy priorities
 - Data availability
 - Challenges and constraints
- Analyze lessons leant from the preparation of SOEs and identify ways in which the SEEA can support improving the information needs for SOEs
- Organize a national seminar to discuss the outcome of the assessment and identify priorities areas and next steps to advance on the implementation
- Prepare a report outlining the outcome of the consultations
- Submit the report to UN ESCAP and UNSD for onward submission to the Pacific Statistical Steering Committee and other appropriate fora

Way forward – at the country level

November – March 2014

- Further institutional mechanisms for implementation
- Determining means of implementation
 - Resources needed (financial and technical)
 - Need for improving statistical operation and infrastructures to meet data gaps and data quality
- Establishment of partnerships at the country level
- Develop implementation plans for prioritiy resource(s)/sector(s)
- Start piloting the compilation of priority resource(s)/sector(s)

Way forward – at the regional and sub-regional level

September-October

- Draft the report of the workshop (Sept.)
- Draft summary report outlining a sub-regional and regional approach based on the country outcome of the self assessment for discussion at the PSSC in Nov.
- Establish a partnership to support the implementation of the SEEA in the Pacific region including, for example, SPREP, SPC, UN, IMF, FAO, UNDP, UNEP, MSG and lead countries)
- Work towards establishing roles and responsibilities of the partners

Way forward – at the regional and sub-regional level

November-March

- Establish a website for the partnership serving as a repository of SEEA and supporting statistics activities at the country, sub-regional and regional level
- Report on progress made on the SEEA implementation and development of supporting statistics to the UN Statistical Commission in February 2014
- Prepare a report of the Partnership on the progress and future plans on the implementation of the SEEA and development of supporting statistics for submission to SIDS 2014