



# Executive Board

*2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session 2019*

Operational Response at Country Level: Fiji Multi-Country Office







- 14 'Large ocean states' with population of 2.4 mil
- Key differences in geography, size, history, culture, economies and political systems
- Informal and subsistence economies
- High youth population and youth unemployment
- Prevalence of NCDs some of the highest in the world
- Limited access to SRHR
  
- Most Pacific States have dedicated Ministries of Women or departments. Most States actively participate in CEDAW, Beijing +25 – and monitor gender progress under SDG Goal 5

- Highest recorded rates of VAW prevalence in the world – IPV at twice the global average
- Lowest numbers of women in parliaments at 8.2%
- Women overrepresented in informal economy, high vulnerability
- Pre-existing inequalities put women at disproportionate risk from disasters and climate change
- Two out of the 6 countries that have not ratified CEDAW are in the Pacific (Tonga and Palau)
- Low numbers of women in leadership roles at all levels, despite legal right to full participation in political life.



## GOVERNMENT

- Ministries of Women • Ministry of Local Government • Ministry of Rural Development • Ministry of Agriculture • Ministry of Health • Ministry of Justice • Municipal councils and provincial government

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## CSOs

Civil Society Networks on Gender Equality  
Pacific Network on EVAW  
CLGF

## COORDINATION MECHANISMS:

UNPS Outcome Group 2: Gender Equality  
Pacific Gender Taskforce  
Protection Cluster  
Revised engagement with CSOs

## UN AGENCIES (UNCT)

Pacific Humanitarian Team  
Development Partners – *Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development* (DFAT)  
CROP Agencies  
ADB

## PRIVATE SECTOR, ACADEMIA

Westpac, BSP, NBV, Digicel, USP etc  
**New Partnerships with Universities**



**Second year of new Strategic Note 2018-2022 nearly completed.**

**4 priority areas + intergovernmental/normative work :** WPEL, WEE/M4C, EVAW, Humanitarian, CEDAW/Normative

**2018 focus** was to set up new projects (EVAW FPI and WILS) **while** delivering across all programmatic areas.

**2019 focus is implementation and delivery.**

**Expanded coordination role** of UN Women with Pacific Gender Coordination Mechanism in addition to UNPS OG2, PHT, and Protection Cluster



- Total 2019 Budget: **13 million**
- Total programmatic budget: **USD 11,1 million**
  
- **6** country based **AWPs**
- **5 “Impact areas”** with **29 outcomes**
- Average of **USD 460,000** per outcome
- **Resources available:** 12,85 million.
- Resources attached to **Joint-Programming:** around 5.4 million (**42%**)
- Return **Core to Non Core Ratio:** **540%**





## 1. WPEL (Samoa and Solomon Islands):

**Samoa:** Women’s participation and leadership, political inclusivity and women’s political participation, public awareness and knowledge sharing.

**Results:** Support to TSM implementation in Samoa.

**Solomon Islands:** Creating space for dialogue among key stakeholders including women and youth. **Results** – Women’s Parliamentary caucus in 3 Provinces – Gender Policies and budgets.

Budget 743,841- 2 projects started in 2018 (WILS and PBF)

## 2. WEE/Markets for Change (Fiji, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu)

Support to representative marketplace groups, socioeconomic security of market vendors, local government and market management, physical infrastructure and operating systems, disaster preparedness and humanitarian response. **Results:** Increase from 6 market vendor associations to 18 in 6 years. Increase in women in leadership across all markets. Improved infrastructure, management and increased income and livelihoods.

Budget USD 4,140,533. Continues the work of current M4C project. 2019 will also see development of prodoc for Phase II to start in 2020



## 4. 3. EVAW – new FPI + ESP (Regional + Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga)

Increased access to quality essential services for survivors of violence (standards, capacity building, multi-sectorial coordination, inclusiveness of LGBTI and disability), primary prevention of violence (community mobilization, research what works, inclusive of Faith and Sports settings)

Budget USD 4,151,872. Second year of new project advancing rigorous social norms and prevention

**Results:** Focused on implementation of FPA legislation (DV Counselling standards, interagency SOPs). Prevention.





## 4. Humanitarian/DRR (Regional with focus on Fiji, Samoa Tonga, Vanuatu, Palau) + Solomon Islands)

Coordination of humanitarian response, information sharing, provision of good practice guidance, training and provision of technical support, including deployment of protection personnel during emergencies for surge support - SOPs Budget USD 1,777,676. **Results:** Gender and Protection Cluster lead. GIR Solomon Islands – support to NDMO, RedR deployee to Vanuatu (Ambae volcano) and support to CSOs and national gender and protection clusters.

Inception phase of DFAT funded Strengthening Women's Resilience to Disasters

## 5. Normative (Regional) CEDAW, CSW, Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, Pacific Feminist Forum, Triennial Conference of Pacific Women, UN Gender coordination

Budget USD 327,944



## 2019 AWP's fully funded

**12 out of 17 million RM target for 2018-2022 SN already contracted.**

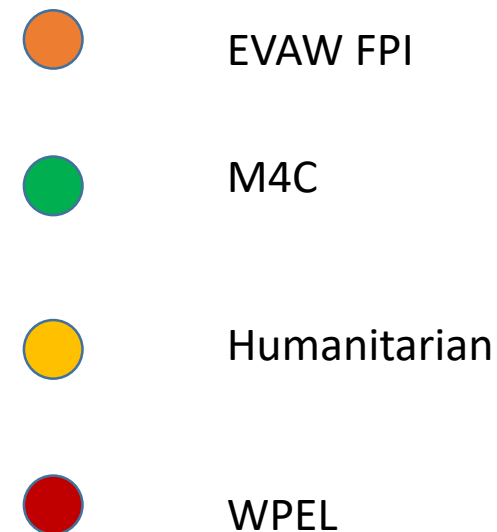
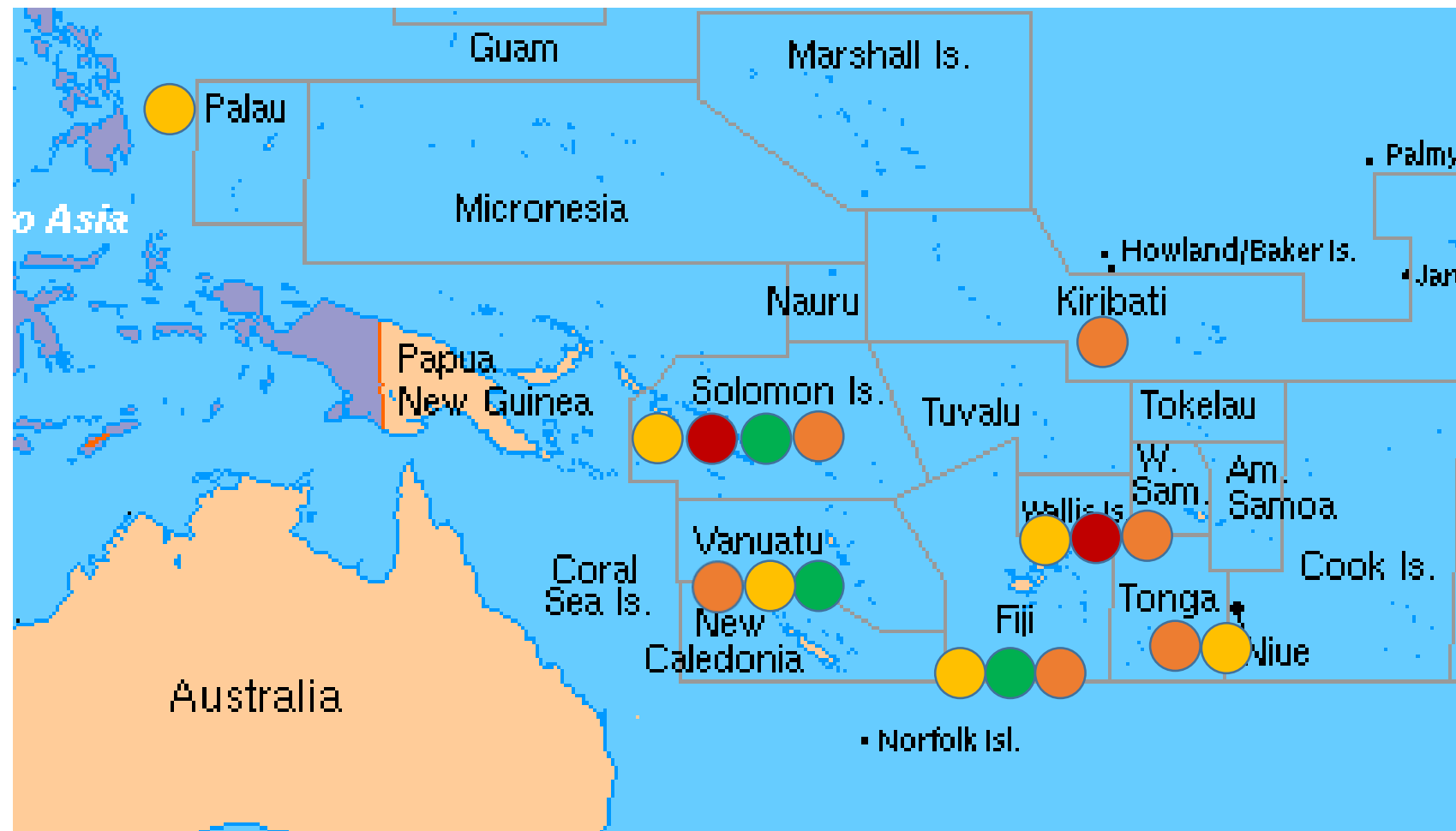
However **potential for much larger growth** across all outcome areas.

## Soft Pipeline and proposals developed in 2019

- **EVAWG:** Expansion of Pacific Partnership to Vanuatu (MFAT – USD 2.6 mil) - (started)
- **EVAWG:** Spotlight Regional and Samoa (EU 1,000,000 estimate ) (TBC)
- **WEE:** M4C Phase II (AUD 4-5 million – 10 million minimum target) – to be submitted by Jan 2020 (started). Requires multi-donor support.
- **WPEL:** New PBF project Solomon Islands- submitted (TBC)
- **Humanitarian:** New Resilience program project document being designed through Australia funds (USD\$294,000) inception phase.
- **WPEL:** New leadership at all levels submitted to NZ (USD 2million)
- **GRB Regional** – submitted to NZ (USD 2 million)
- **Normative support** – submitted to NZ (USD .5 million)



REGIONAL WORK: - HUMANITARIAN  
 - CEDAW, CSW, Beijing + 25  
 - EVAW FPI



- Coverage of 14 countries
- UN Reform: currently 2 Resident Coordinator offices – MCO review may result in further change: increased need for coordination
- Direct implementation of large complex programmes: challenges of recruitment across all country offices





- Comprehensive, and integrated approaches to address complex issues
- Complex issues require partnerships – UN Women Fiji MCO prides itself on our partnerships with donors, UN agencies, government partners, Pacific regional bodies and civil society
- Technical support on site favored by member states
- Alignment to SDGs through the UN Pacific Strategy







