

Community

Local Communities & indigenous Peoples Platform Pacific Regional Gathering

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Outline

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Kiwa Intiative

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Projects - Sustainable climate resilient Agri-ecology systems - food production enhancement and marine NbS activities The mission of the Kiwa Initiative is to help the authorities of the Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs) to implement their climate change adaptation strategies through Nature-based Solutions, thanks to a unique system of financing and project development assistance.

Financing adaptation is a critical issue for countries in the Pacific region.



The Kiwa Initiative is committed to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals - UN SDGs.





THE KIWA INITIATIVE COMMUNITY



TO POOL AND SIMPLIFY
ACCESS TO CLIMATE
ADAPTATION AND
BIODIVERSITY FUNDING FOR
PACIFIC STAKEHOLDERS



WITH A CONSENSUS BASED
DECISION-MAKING PROCESS
IN THE SELECTION OF
PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED

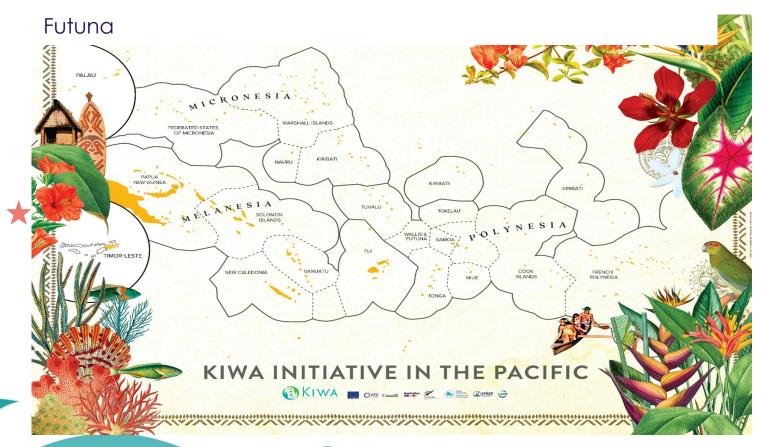


PROMOTE COOPERATION IN
THE PACIFIC REGION AND THE
SHARING OF REPLICABLE
SOLUTIONS TO COMMON
PROBLEMS



Eligible Countries

Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Marshall Islands, Samoa, Cook Islands, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and





Nature-based solution and Climate Adaption definition and examples

<u>Definition</u>

Nature-based Solutions (NbS) are **defined** by **IUCN** as "actions to protect, sustainably manage, and restore **natural** or modified ecosystems, that address societal challenges effectively and adaptively, simultaneously providing human well-being and biodiversity benefits".



Addressing societal problems with NbS and Climate Adaptation

A problem solving approach for nature and society



Ensure project address societal challenges caused by climate change with nature-based solutions



Applying Nature-based Solutions and climate Adaptation



<u>Demonstrate multiple</u> benefits

The implementation of costefficient Nature Based Solutions with measurable and multiple benefits for <u>climate change</u> <u>adaptation</u>, <u>biodiversity</u> and <u>human well being</u>

Explicit Design

The demonstration of the links between project activities/outcomes and climate change adaptation



Examples from Fiji, Timor Leste, PNG.



Hybrid Sea Walls, Fiji

Societal Challenge

- Climate change mitigation and adaptation
- Disaster risk reduction
- Economic and social development
- Environmental degradation and biodiversity loss

Nature based Solution

- Sea wall made of locally sourced boulders
- Mangroves planted in front of the wall, to absorb and contain tidal flows and diffuse waves and storm surges
- Vetiver grass planted behind the wall, to form a strong hedge, its deep roots hold in the soil, and can thrive even in soil inundated by seawater

Benefits

- More effective and less expensive solution to protect communities compared to concrete sea walls
- Mangrove ecosystems also important local source of food, sequester carbon, protect coral reefs by holding in soil, and are home to shellfish and other marine life
- Less erosion of soil and reduced impacts on local food crops







Scaling up climate adaptation strategies, including water source restoration, environmental rehabilitation and sustainable food systems - Timor Leste.

Societal Challenge

- Climate change adaptation
- Water security
- Food security
- Environmental degradation and biodiversity loss

Nature based Solution

Resilient food systems are established and integrated alongside the water restoration and environmental rehabilitation program, including agro-forestry, horticulture, small animal husbandry, and aquaculture, all based on organic permaculture methods.

Benefits

Food security - Water resource availability and quality - Human health - Socio-economic resilience - Risk reduction - Biodiversity conservation





Improving livelihoods through biodiversity conservation and sustainable climate systems

Societal Challenge

- Climate change adaptation
- Water security
- Food security
- Environmental degradation and biodiversity loss

Nature based Solution

- Family homes and livelihood
- Conservatyiuon Deed and Nursery
- Tree seedlings and planting

Benefits

Food security - Human health - Socio-economic resilience - Risk reduction - Reduction of invasive alien species - Biodiversity conservation

Conservation Deed & Nursery



Family Homes & Livelihood













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