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United Nations Pacific Strategy (2018 – 2022) Country Consultations for Niue

Alofi, Niue, 05th October 2016: This morning a joint United Nations team consisting of UNDP, UNESCO, UNICEF, and UN Women convened consultations with various stakeholders on Niue, from government and non-government sectors to discuss Niue's priorities to be included in the United Nations Pacific Strategy 2018-2022.



More than forty (40) participants gathered to note the achievements of the current framework, known as the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) 2014-2018, recognise Niue's priorities under the Niue National Strategic Plan (2015-2025) and agree on possible assistance for the United Nations in progressing Niue's issues and challenges towards achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), through the UN Pacific Strategy 2018-2022.

There are seventeen (17) United Nations SDGs. They include No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Good Health & Well-Being, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Clean Water & Sanitation, Affordable & Clean Energy, Climate Action, Life Below Water, Life on Land, Decent Work & Economic Growth, Reduced Inequalities, Sustainable Cities & Communities, etc ...

The SDGs is the next phase of the Millenium Development Goals (MDGs) that completed in 2015. Niue is only one (1) of two (2) Pacific islands that achieved its MDG targets.

The UNESCO Director in Charge of the Pacific States, Mr Alain Codonou said, that the aim of the United Nations is to ensure Niue with many of its neighbours in the Pacific receives robust support to progress its development.

“ Niue reached all of its MDGs and Niue should be proud of its accomplishments.”

The outcome of the consultations is expected to be included in a final draft of the UN Pacific Strategy 2018-2022 which will be finalised in Fiji in November 2016.

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