

**OCEANIA ECOSYSTEM SERVICES FORUM WORKSHOP**  
**STRENGTHENING MITIGATION HIERARCHY AND BIODIVERSITY OFFSETS**  
**IMPLEMENTATION IN THE PACIFIC**

**AGENDA**

27 March 8am-9:30am, Novotel Brisbane, Room: Paterson 2

**1/ Introduction and welcome** - *Jean-Baptiste Marre, SPC, RESCCUE Project Deputy Coordinator (5min)*

- Objectives of the workshop
- Workshop agenda

**2/ Why is SPC interested in strengthening biodiversity offsets implementation, and what is being done?** - *Raphael Billé, SPC, RESCCUE Project Coordinator (10min)*

- The RESCCUE project
- Importance of mitigation hierarchy and biodiversity offsets in the Pacific
- RESCCUE regional activity on the mitigation hierarchy and biodiversity offsets, in partnership with SPREP

**3/ SPREP's work on Environmental Impact Assessment** – *David Loubser, PEBAACC Vanuatu Country Manager, SPREP (10min)*

**Short Q&A session on presentations from SPC and SPREP (5-10min)**

**4/ Regional review and sub-regional roadmaps** – *Guy Dutson, TBC, Senior Principal Consultant (20min)*

- Presentation of the regional review taking stock of recent developments in implementation of the mitigation hierarchy and biodiversity offsets in the Pacific
- Introduction of the draft sub-regional roadmaps to move beyond a project-by-project approach towards strengthened mitigation hierarchy policies and practices in the Pacific

**Overall discussion/Group Work (30-40 min)**

Issues to be discussed include:

- Feedback on regional review and roadmaps
- Next steps in order to strengthen mitigation hierarchy implementation in the PICTs
- Discussion on challenges and opportunities to integrate ecosystem services in the mitigation hierarchy – a globally emerging issue