

PFTAC Steering Committee

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Macroeconomic Programming and Analysis

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Macroeconomic Prog & Analysis - FY2020 Plans & Priorities

Planned	Vs FY19 Outturn	Topics	Countries
\$849,615 budget	\$611,989 spent	(i) Macroeconomic monitoring, analysis, and research; (ii) ready public access to key information; (iii) medium-term macroeconomic programming framework.	Cook Islands, Fiji, FSM, Kiribati, Nauru, Palau, PNG, RMI, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu
16 missions	12 missions	(i) Support use of macroeconomic programming frameworks; (ii) economic and fiscal forecasting	
4 regional events	3 regional events	(i) Fiscal frameworks; (ii) fishing revenues; (iii) exchange and use of administrative data; (iv) debt sustainability	



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198 mission days of TA	132 TA mission days		
165 LTX days	121 LTX days	(i) Support use of macroeconomic programming frameworks; (ii) economic and fiscal forecasting including of gross domestic product (GDP) and fishing revenues	Cook Islands, Fiji, FSM, Kiribati, Palau, PNG, RMI, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu
33 STX days	11 STX days	Analysis of tax reform options GDP forecasting	RMI Vanuatu

The work program assumes a six months overlap between the outgoing and incoming resident advisors.



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- Ten of PFTAC's 16 members, **Cook Islands, Fiji, Palau, PNG, RMI, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu** have a macroeconomic programming framework.
 - Support use and further development of the frameworks for empirical analysis of economic developments
 - Develop medium-term fiscal frameworks for prudent fiscal management (with PFM)
 - Enhance economic and fiscal forecasting, reporting and monitoring, and budget documentation (with PFM, Revenue and Statistics)



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- GDP is a key statistic for macroeconomic management, fiscal and monetary policy.
 - Develop GDP forecasting in **Palau** and continue to enhance it in **Tuvalu**.
 - Review GDP forecasting following re-benchmarking and rebasing in **Solomon Islands** and **Vanuatu**
- Prudent fiscal management remains a focus.
 - Develop empirical analysis of tax reform in **RMI**
 - Support a climate change policy assessment in **FSM**



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- Peer-to-peer learning:

- Staff attachments

Palau and Tonga for GDP forecasting

RMI and Samoa to document the Marshall Islands Fiscal Model

- Joint research

PNG, Solomon Islands, Griffith University and IMF Resident Representative Office to forecast the price of tuna

Bank of Papua New Guinea and Department of Treasury to forecast GDP using composite indexes



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- Regional events:
 - PNG and Solomon Islands course on **Fiscal Frameworks** (with STI)
 - Sub-regional workshop and Kiribati and Tuvalu seminar on **Managing Fishing Revenues** (with PFM, Asian Development Bank and World Bank)
 - Sub-regional workshop on **Effective Exchange and Use of Administrative Data** (with Revenue and Statistics)
 - Regional workshop on **Budget Documentation and Fiscal Risks** (with PFM and United Nations)
 - Sub-regional workshop on **Government Finance Statistics and Debt Sustainability** (with GFS and STI)

