

**Pacific Ocean Sciences Fellowship**

July 7-13, 2002

Rarotonga, Cook Islands

Agenda

## Sunday July 7, 2002

Time	Agenda	Notes
8:00 am	Welcome & Introductions	<b>Facilitator:</b> <b>Johnson Honimae,</b> <i>PINA</i>  Opening remarks Introduce staff Introduce journalists
9:00	Issues Overview	<b>Speakers:</b>  9:00-9:30: Overview of Pacific Islands Ocean Issues <b>Hon. Noah Idechong,</b> <i>Palau National Congress</i>  9:30-10:00: Brief scientific description of Pacific Islands Ocean Issues <b>Yimnang Golbuu,</b> <i>Palau International Coral Reef Center</i>
10:00	Materials distribution , group discussion, and goal setting for week	
10:30	Coffee break	
10:45	Continue discussion	
11:00	Internet training continue over lunch	
12:00 pm	Lunch	
1:30	Live reef fish trade	1:30-2:00 Overview of live reef fish trade <b>Paul Lokani,</b> <i>The Nature Conservancy</i>  2:00-2:30 Economics of LRFT <b>Cristina Balboa,</b> <i>World Resources Institute</i>  2:30-3:00: Marine aquarium fish trade <b>Michelle Lam,</b> <i>Marine Aquarium Council</i>  <b>Invited Expert:</b> <i>Chip Barber</i>
3:30	Prepare to leave hotel	
4:30	Leave for tour	
5:00	Tour ornamental fish collection operation	
6:30	Dinner with fellowship	

\*\*Reminder: Monday morning please to leave directly from the conference room for the SPREP meeting

**Monday  
July 8, 2002**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Notes</b>
8:00 am	General Coral Reef Health	<p><b>Speaker:</b> 8:00-8:30: Scientific aspects of coral reefs <b><i>Yimnang Golbuu,</i></b> <i>Palau International Coral Reef Center</i></p> <p>8:30-9:00: Community management of coral reefs, MAREPAC <b><i>Hon. Noah Idechong,</i></b> <i>Palau National Congress</i></p> <p>9:00-9:30: Questions and discussion</p>
10:00	Leave for SPREP conference	
10:30	South Pacific Conference on Nature Conservation Keynote Speech	<p><b>Speaker:</b> <b><i>Hon. Faleomavaega Eni Hunkin,</i></b> <i>American Samoa, U.S. Congress</i></p>
12:00 pm	Lunch	
1:30	Community Management, Traditional Practices, Marine Protected Areas	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 1:30-2:00: Definition <b><i>John Parks,</i></b> <i>International Marinelife Alliance</i></p> <p>2:00-2:30: Action <b><i>Alifereti Tawake,</i></b> <i>University of the South Pacific</i></p> <p>2:30-3:00: Ra'ui and marine protected areas in the Cook Islands <b><i>Dorice Reid,</i></b> <i>Koutu-Nui of the Cook Islands</i></p>
3:30	Free Time	
5:00	Leave for Trader Jack's	
5:30	Happy Hour at Trader Jack's Bar & Restaurant	
7:00	Dinner (on your own)	

**Tuesday  
July 9, 2002**

Time	Agenda	Notes
9:00	<p>All day field trip to lagoon (Marine Protected Area) and reef</p> <p>Snorkeling &amp; diving available</p> <p>Lunch included</p>	<p><b>Experts joining field trip:</b>  <i>YimNang Golbuu, Palau International Coral Reef Center</i>  <i>Gerald McCormack, Cook Islands Heritage Project</i>  <i>Josh Mitchell, Cook Islands Ministry of Marine Resources</i>  <i>Liz Wilson, World Wide Fund for Nature</i>  <i>Jacqui Evans, East West Center (Masters student)</i></p>
5:00	Return to hotel	
6:00	Dinner (on your own)	

## Wednesday July 10, 2002

Time	Agenda	Notes
8:00 am	Communications Training Session for SPREP Conference Participants	All journalists welcome to attend.  Or, . . . free time for the morning.
12:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)	
1:30	Culturally and Politically Important Marine Species	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 1:30-2:00: Turtles <i>Job Opu, SPREP</i></p> <p>2:00-2:15: Pacific Islands Whale Sanctuary <i>Job Opu, SPREP</i></p> <p>2:15-2:45: Whales <i>Nan Hauser, Center for Cetacean Research &amp; Conservation</i></p> <p>2:45-3:15: Introduced species <i>Lu Eldredge, Ph.D., Pacific Science Association/Bishop Museum</i></p>
3:15	Free time	
4:30	Leave for Whale Education Centre	
4:45	Cocktail Reception at Cook Islands Whale Education Centre	
7:00	Dinner on your own	

**Thursday  
July 11, 2002**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Notes</b>
8:00	Coastal & Offshore Fisheries	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 8:00-9:00: Coastal fisheries <b>Mike King, Ph.D.,</b> <i>Fisheries Consultant</i></p> <p>9:00-10:00: Offshore fisheries <b>Transform Aqorau, J.D.,</b> <i>Forum Fisheries Agency</i></p>
10:00	Coffee Break	
10:15	Aquaculture	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 10:15-11:00: Overview (<i>of aquaculture in the Pacific Islands</i>) <b>Ben Ponia,</b> <i>Secretariat for the Pacific Community (SPC)</i></p> <p>11:00-11:45: Pearl aquaculture <b>Raymond Newnham,</b> <i>Ora Moana Ltd.</i></p> <p>11:45-12:00: Proposed Sawarro Aquaculture Project in Cook Islands <b>Anna Tiraa,</b> <i>Taporoporoanga Ipukarea Society Inc.</i></p>
12:00	Lunch	
1:30	Lab Activity	Opportunity for hands on activity to creatively think about ocean conservation
4:00	Free Time	
7:00	Leave for Dinner from Edgewater Lobby	Windjammer Restaurant

**Friday**  
**July 12, 2002**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Notes</b>
9:00 am	Wan Smolbag Theater Group	Presentation of marine conservation play to Cook Islands school
12:00 pm	Lunch	
1:00	Climate Change in the Pacific Islands	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 1:00–1:30: Science of climate change and the ocean <b>John Hay, Ph.D.,</b> <i>University of Waikato</i></p> <p>1:30–2:00: Political aspects of climate change <b>Wayne King, Ph.D.,</b> <i>International Global Climate Change Institute</i></p>
2:00	Coffee Break	
2:15	Climate Change Cont'd	<p><b>Speakers:</b> 2:15-2:45: Predictions of El Niño and impact on fisheries <b>Penhuro Lefale,</b> <i>National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research</i></p> <p>2:45-3:15: Alternative energy <b>Solomone Fifita,</b> <i>Secretariat of the Pacific Community(SPC)</i></p>
3:30	Convene in Edgewater Lobby for transportation to the Conference Press Briefing and closing celebration	
4:00	Press Briefing for Nature Conservation Conference	
5:30	SPREP celebration	