

Vacancies

Re-advertised: Programme Adviser (Resilient Development Finance)

The Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

The Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (Forum Secretariat) is the region's premier political and economic policy organisation, with a vision of helping to create a region of peace, harmony, security, social inclusion and prosperity, so that all Pacific people can lead free, healthy, and productive lives.

The international organisation works to achieve this vision by fostering cooperation between governments, collaboration with international agencies, and by representing the interests of its members - including directly engaging with community members in order to identify pressing needs of the region.

The work of the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS) is guided by the Framework for Pacific Regionalism (FPR) as:

The expression of a common sense of identity and purpose, leading progressively to the sharing of institutions, resources, and markets, with the purpose of complimenting national efforts, overcoming common constraints, and embracing sustainable and inclusive development within Pacific countries and territories and for the Pacific region as a whole.

The FPR is underpinned by the Blue Pacific narrative, endorsed by Forum Leaders in Samoa in 2017, which calls for a long-term regional commitment to act as one "Blue Continent" as the means to achieve its development aspirations. The Leaders vision was that it would serve as the platform to reinforce and inspire the region in its shared stewardship of the Pacific Ocean, and to reaffirm the connections of Pacific peoples with their natural resources, environment, culture and livelihoods.

The Opportunity

The Forum Secretariat is looking for a Programme Adviser (Resilient Development Finance) to join the team in Suva, Fiji. The position reports to the to the Director, Programmes & Initiatives and the PIFS Resilience Team Leader and for managing and coordinating PIFS' role in Disaster Risk Finance capacity building for Pacific Island Countries, coordination of the Means of Implementation KRA, and support to the Pacific Resilience Facility. The position will be responsible for the provision of policy and technical advice, research, and analysis to support PIFS' delivery of relevant activities and other related advice and support required by the PIFS in connection with its leadership role in contributing to the sustainable development priorities of Pacific island countries and territories.

To facilitate the above, the incumbent will be responsible for:

- Disaster Risk Finance Research, Policy/Technical Advice & Advocacy;
- Coordinating the Means of Implementation KRA within PIFS;
- Supporting for PRP Disaster Risk Finance Working Group;
- Resilient Development Finance Capacity Building;
- Supporting the Pacific Resilience Facility;
- · Knowledge Products, Communication and Advocacy; and
- Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting.

The Secretariat seeks a strategic and proficient individual with an advanced degree (Master's level) in Economics, finance, climate change, environmental studies, development, public policy, or related field (preferably a postgraduate degree relating to Disaster Risk Management, Climate Change or Development Financing). Candidates must have demonstrated understanding and substantial years' of experience of developments in Disaster Risk Finance and Insurance and resilient development financing in the Small Island Developing States, preferably in the Pacific region.

The Benefits

The appointment carries a competitive remuneration and benefits package including medical and life insurance. The salary for this position depends on qualifications and experience will be in the range of SDR 36,640 to SDR 42,297 per annum. At the 1 June 2020 exchange rate this salary range was equivalent to FJD111,946 to FJD129,230. For non-Fijian nationals, this salary may be tax-free. To be eligible for this position, the applicant must be a national of one of the following Forum member countries*. Applicants must be willing to travel periodically via economy class. Previous applicants need not to reapply.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply through our website: www.forumsec.org where an information package containing the job description and remuneration details is also available. Candidates must include in either their application or Curriculum Vitae the full contact details of three referees. The Forum Secretariat is an Equal Opportunity Employer. **Deadline for applications is at 5pm (Fiji time)**, **28 August 2020**.

* Member States of the Pacific Islands Forum: Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.