

ABSTRACT HEADING

Climate Public Expenditure and institutional Review. The experience in Samoa

In 2012, the Government of Samoa, with the support of UNDP and the Overseas Development Institute, undertook a Climate Public Expenditure and institutional Review (CPEIR).

The objectives of this presentation will be:

- To present a summary of the results of the CPEIR done for Samoa
- To share some of the lessons learned during the process
- To share examples of how the Government of Samoa is benefitting from the review and applying recommendations
- To discuss about derived activities in the Pacific after this first CPEIR

The CPEIR is a key building block for countries to develop a climate fiscal framework – which would assess the demand and supply for climate funds and the sources of funds available from domestic and external sources. The concept of a climate fiscal framework was discussed with the key government agencies and development partners.

The CPEIR provides an assessment of current climate expenditures from both domestic and external sources of finance and identifies ways in which climate related expenditures can be tracked through time. Through time as the CPEIR methodology and approach is improved, a CPEIR will serve as a tool to enable Asia-Pacific countries to improve prioritisation, efficiency and effectiveness of all public resources in support of climate adaptation and mitigation.

The review includes an assessment of the national Climate Change strategy from 3 different angles:

- Description and discussion on the climate change policy framework
- Description and discussion on the institutional arrangements for climate change interventions
- Assessment of public expenditure on climate change

The review also provides a “Readiness plan” derived from the conclusions of these components to support the government increase the efficiency in access, management and implementation of climate finance.

This was the 5th CPEIR at the global level and the first one in the Pacific and the recommendations derived from it have influenced the development of the regional “Pacific Climate Finance Assessment Framework” and motivated other countries of the region to also undertake this review. Samoa was selected as a pilot country because of the strong interest and commitment of the government.

The government of Samoa is currently defining a plan of action to implement the recommendations derived from the CPEIR.

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