



8th Pacific Heads of Agriculture and Forestry Regional Meeting (2023)

6 -10 March 2023 Nadi, Fiji

Side-Event Expression of Interest (EOI) Form

The Government of Fiji through the Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Forestry will be hosting the **8th Pacific Heads of Agriculture and Forestry Regional Meeting (2023)**, and would like to invite Expressions of Interest for Side Events from 6-10 March 2023.

The theme for the 2023 PWAFF is “**Transforming Pacific Agriculture and Forestry**”, with the overall objective to strengthen and deepen our partnerships for sustainable development in the Pacific region.

PWAFF Priorities: Natural Resource Security and Circular Green Economic Transformations

Guidance for side-events

With a limited number of spaces, **interested stakeholders** are strongly encouraged to **reach out to partners** (civil society, private sector, development actors, academia, and other relevant actors) to collaborate on events.

Pacific key thematic areas include:

- Pandemics, Climate Change and *Natural Resource Security*
- Transforming Agriculture & Forestry through *Science & Technology*
- Creating a *Circular Green Economy* for Agriculture and Forestry

Selection of side-events

- i. A selection panel will consider all proposal abstracts received by the published deadline to ensure that the proposed submission is relevant to the above **key thematic areas**
- ii. All proposal abstracts will follow a standard format in English and/or French
- iii. Abstract should be less than 500 words, typed into the form and emailed
- iv. At the completion of the selection process, feedback will be provided on all proposals
- v. Proposals that are accepted will be published in the conference proceedings
- vi. You will be sent an email informing your date and time of presentation at the PWAFF

For the application form please visit Fiji Ministry of Agriculture website www.agriculture.gov.fj or if you need any further clarification, please contact Ms. Rosarine Lagi by email: rosarine.lagi@gmail.com or Mobile: 9908885) or Mrs. Titilia Davetanivalu by email: titilia.davetanivalu@moa.gov.fj or Mobile: 9476826)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 24TH JANUARY 2023

Proposed Side-Event Themes & Possible Topics

1. Pandemics, Climate Change and Natural Resource Security

Possible topics:

- Governance Review to create Enabling Environment
- Land use planning, Forest + Land Restoration
- Food security
- Water mapping for both agriculture and forestry landscapes
- Forests and Food Systems Biodiversity
- Nature-Positive Food Systems for Nutrition and Health
- Invasive exotic species
- Genetic resources & Plant breeding
- Aquaculture
- Agroforestry + Tree planting programs
- Climate smart agriculture and forestry species,
- Urban Forestry
- Home and Community Gardens
- COVID-19 – impacts and lessons learnt

2. Transforming Agriculture and Forestry through Science & Technology

Possible topics:

- Climate Change/Green House Gas Emission-Carbon inventory.
- GIS/Remote sensing, Land Use Land Cover Change Monitoring
- Biosecurity interventions
- Phone apps
- Online Market Place

3. Creating Circular Green Economy for Agriculture and Forestry

Possible topics:

- Resource evaluation (e.g. nutrient rich soils, water, forests and food systems)
- Value chains mapping + analysis /studies
- Value adding + Market access (biosecurity pathways)
- Youth and Women
- Forests & Agribusiness financing
- Climate change finance & insurance



PART II – SIDE-EVENT PROPOSAL FORM

1. Main counterpart(s) proposing and leading the organisation of the side-event

1.1 Name(s) of requesting counterparts/organizations:

1.2 Please list a maximum of 2 focal point(s)

	Focal Point 1	Focal Point 2
Name		
Email		
Office Phone		
Mobile Phone		

2. Theme of the side-event

2.1 Proposed title of the side-event:

2.2 Objectives

2.3 Format and Description of the Event:

2.4 Please TICK the type of side event and proposed duration

	Poster / Display session		Two Hours
	Workshop		Half day
	Event: Evening/refreshment/meal break		1 Day
	Meeting		2 Days
	Other _____		

3. Pacific Thematic Areas

3.1 Which of the following Thematic Areas does your event address?

	A. Transforming Agriculture & Forestry through <i>Science & Technology</i>
	B. Creating <i>Circular Green Economy</i> for Agriculture and Forestry
	C. Pandemics, Climate Change and <i>Natural Resource Security</i>

3.2 Describe how the side event contributes to one or more of the following parameters. Please rate contribution with written justification. 1 being of least importance & 3 being of the most importance.

Parameters	Rating			Comments
	1	2	3	
A. Pacific Country/ Regional Priorities				
B. Knowledge management and visibility				
C. Innovation				
D. Partnership				
E. Program Development – South-South development				
F. Contributing to public good				
Total				

3.3 Proposed Event Description – Abstract (max 500 words)

4. Chair/moderator and presenters of the side-event (*chair and moderator can be the same or a different entity*)

4.1 Who will chair the side-event?

4.2 Who will moderate the side-event?

4.3 Who are the speakers/presenters?

5. Expected participants (*number and target audience, please be as specific as possible*)

6. In-Person / Virtual Participation

- In order to promote and support a greater number of participants (open/closed/invitation-only), will you offer virtual means of participation via Zoom?
- Please indicate Yes or No.
- If Yes, please provide Zoom details (contacts below)

7. Venue Requirements

7.1 Room Set up for _____ (number of people)

7.2 Room Style Set Up

Round	U-Shape	Oval Boardroom	Banquet style	Classroom style	Conference

7.3 Equipment Needed

	Data projector and laptop
	Whiteboard
	Butcher paper and markers

This form must be fully completed and submitted to R. Lagi (rosarine.lagi@gmail.com) and Titilia Davetanivalu (titilia.davetanivalu@moa.gov.fj) by 24th January 2023.