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# CIRCULAR

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**TO:** SPREP National Focal Points

**SUBJECT:** Next Steps for the Endorsement of the Strategy for Resilient Development in the Pacific: An Integrated Approach to Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management (SRDP)

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Dear Members,

- Further to the 2015 SPREP Meeting decision on the SRDP which "*requested the Secretariat to circulate the agreed process for SRDP finalisation, when available to all Members*". Please find attached Circular# 46/16 issued by the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat identifying the pathway forward for the Strategy for Resilient Development in the Pacific: An Integrated Approach to Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management (SRDP).

- To finalise the SRDP in advance of the next Pacific Island Forum Leaders meeting from 7 - 11 of September 2016 an updated SRDP with country support is to be presented to the Specialist Sub Committee on Regionalism of the Forum Officials Committee (FOC) on 13 - 16 June 2016.

- The updated SRDP (Attachment 1) is circulated for your consideration and any further comments by the ***deadline of Friday 13 May, 2016***. To facilitate the update of the SRDP, the Forum is encouraging any response as a single national response if possible. The absence of response will be interpreted as no objection.

- The final version of the SRDP will be sent to the Forum Officials Specialist Sub Committee on Regionalism meeting by the 1 June for inclusion in their 13 – 16 June meeting, (see Attachment 2 for key dates).

- Any follow up questions or additional support required may be forwarded directly to Dr. Netatua Pelesikoti, Director of Climate Change on email netatuap@sprep.org.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat for any further information and/or assistance.

Kind regards,

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