

Vision statement

The Regional Technical Support Mechanism (RTSM) and Rapid Response Fund (RRF) is a collaborative undertaking of the Council of Regional Organisations in the Pacific (CROP) agencies and their associated development partners and donors.

The establishment of the RTSM and RRF promotes the spirit of cooperation and collaboration between CROP agencies, to efficiently serve the priorities and needs of Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs) to effectively respond to climate change and disaster risk reduction.



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What is the RRF?

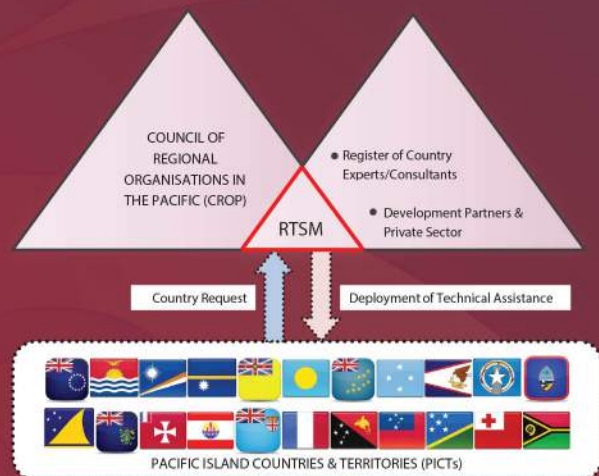
The RRF was established initially with financing from the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF) through the Asian Development Bank (ADB) with a long term vision of it evolving into a climate change financing facility for the Pacific region.

The RRF does not replace the everyday technical assistance roles of CROP Agencies and is open to all donors and development partners who may wish to join as a partner. The RRF complements long-term development interventions on climate change rather than supplanting or duplicating them.

What is the RTSM?

The Regional Technical Support Mechanism (RTSM) is a registered network of experts in climate change, who can provide coordinated and timely technical advice on appropriate resource opportunities, strategic approaches and technical assistance (TA) on climate change to PICTs on a needs basis.

They also provide where necessary, support in developing project proposals, preparing reporting requirements and implementing and monitoring projects.



How can PICTs make a request?

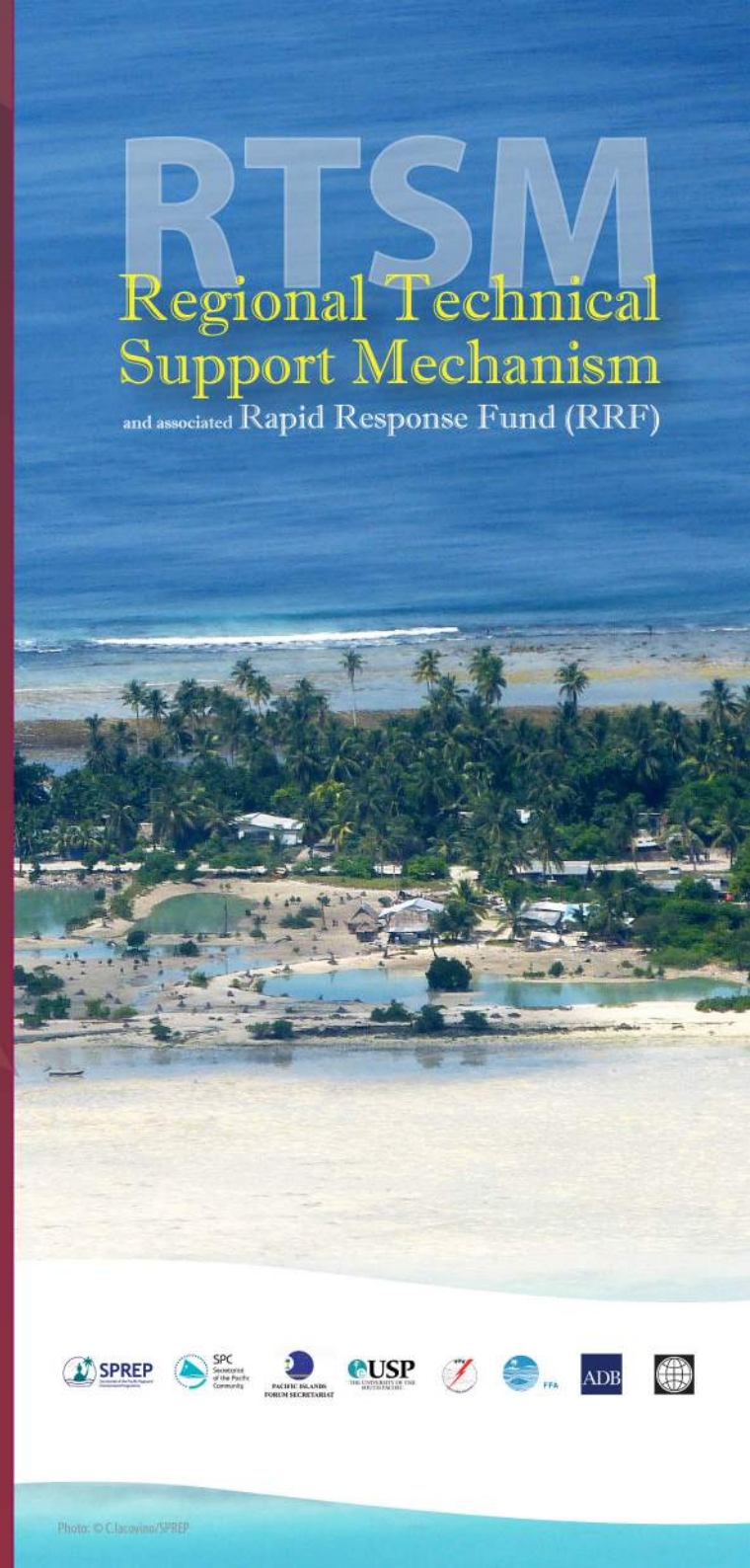
All proposals must use the approved Request Form.

- 1 Forms are available online via the: Pacific Climate Change Portal: www.pacificclimatechange.net
- 2 Completed forms must then be sent to the RTSM Coordinator: rtsm@sprep.org

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Our Vision: The Pacific environment, sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures



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is to provide technical and advisory assistance for:

- Capacity building of members for climate finance, economic analysis and food security in relation to climate change



- Development of climate change finance project proposals that will trigger resourcing opportunities



- Inputs to policy development in mainstreaming CCA and DRR into national, sector and/or organisation plans (e.g. ministry work programmes and budgets)



- Assessing and addressing social aspects of climate change



- Development or strengthening of knowledge management systems



- Peer exchange and/or secondment of national experts to other PICTs if requested and where applicable (e.g. Samoa's expertise developed in climate resilience building for their main arterial road may be transferred to another PICT through peer exchange or twinning method)



- Strengthening monitoring and evaluation processes and undertaking specific evaluations of projects undertaken in PICTs.

