

Support to Climate Resilient Investment Pathways in the Pacific - Climate Change Adaptation

Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	No of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
Sustainable Seas Ltd	Pacific Region	US\$45,000	100%	1	Asian Development Bank (ADB)	ADB	May 2023 to June 2024	N/A

Detailed description of project

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has announced its commitment to align its new operations with the goals of the Paris Agreement and has set an ambition of providing \$100 billion of climate finance between 2019–2030 of which \$34 billion will be for adaptation and resilience.

Achieving this ambition will require ADB to support its developing member countries (DMCs) build climate and resilience through projects. The above effort will require developing more “Type 2” and Paris aligned adaptation projects, which are conceived and designed, at least to a significant extent, to reduce vulnerability to climate change over the near, medium, and long term and build the resilience of a system.

For two projects that have Type 2 potential, the Consultancy will explore the “climate change rationale” by undertaking a Type 2 scoping report at the concept stage for each. These projects are the “Youth Skills Development and Employment Project” in the Republic of Micronesia and the “Supporting the Delivery of Skills Development Project” in Vanuatu.

Type of services provided

Sustainable Seas Ltd provided the following services to support the Type 2 scoping studies:

- A summary of the national or regional adaptation and/or mitigation related issues, challenges and/or priorities that the project;
- The main climate change and geophysical risks that the project, as currently conceptualized/ designed, addressing the extent to which the project is predicated on the need to address these risks.
- A description of how the project, as currently conceptualized/ designed, will address these climate change and geophysical risks, backed by available country-level climate change or sector-level assessments.
- Recommendations for how the fundamental project design (not incremental measures) could potentially be changed to better address climate or geophysical risks.
- Develop a “light touch” climate and disaster risk assessment (CDRA) for the Vanuatu project.
- Help finalize a CDRA for the “Senior Secondary Education Improvement Project” in Solomon Islands. This will be based on a draft assessment.
- Develop a climate change assessment (CCA) and the adaptation part of the Paris Agreement Alignment (PAA) assessment.