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PACIFIC AGRICULTURE POLICY PLANNERS WORKSHOP

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(1) CONTEXT - AGRICULTURE POLICY CAPACITY (PAPP)

(2) OBJECTIVE OF THE PLANNERS WORKSHOP

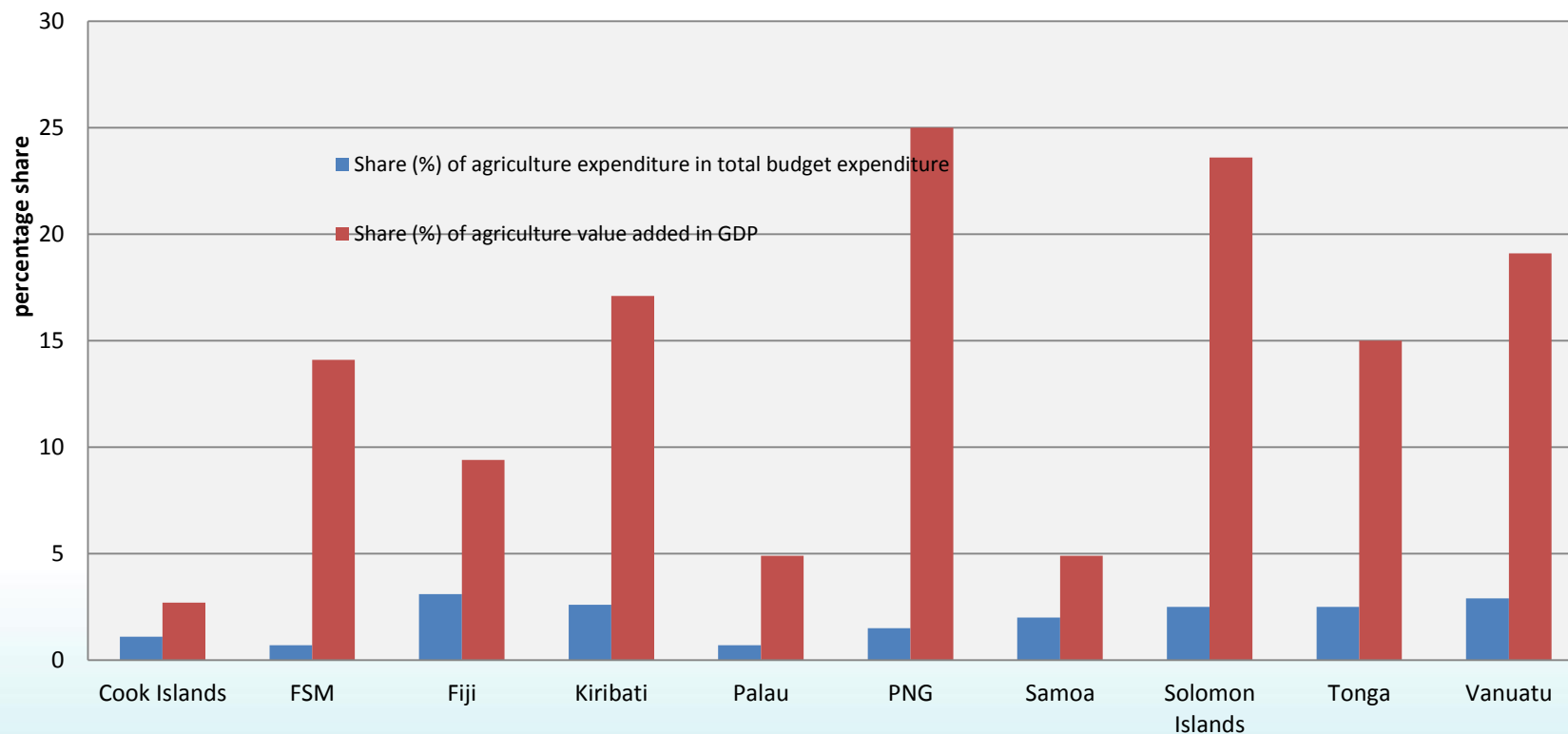
(3) NEXT STEPS

Context – Pacific Agriculture – some quick pointers

- Pacific encompasses largely **agri-based** economies.
- Australia, NZ, US are key **export** agri-markets. EU for mainly fisheries.
- Up to 85% **rural based** populations
- Estimated 70-80% are **financially excluded**. Includes smallholder farmers.
- 5 LDCs – means relatively **high aid** per capita (PNG)
- **High Youth Unemployment/Move away from Agriculture**
- **Relatively low but increasing Internet Penetration**
- **High mobile phone penetration**
- **Rural Communities**

Government Spend on Agriculture (<5%)

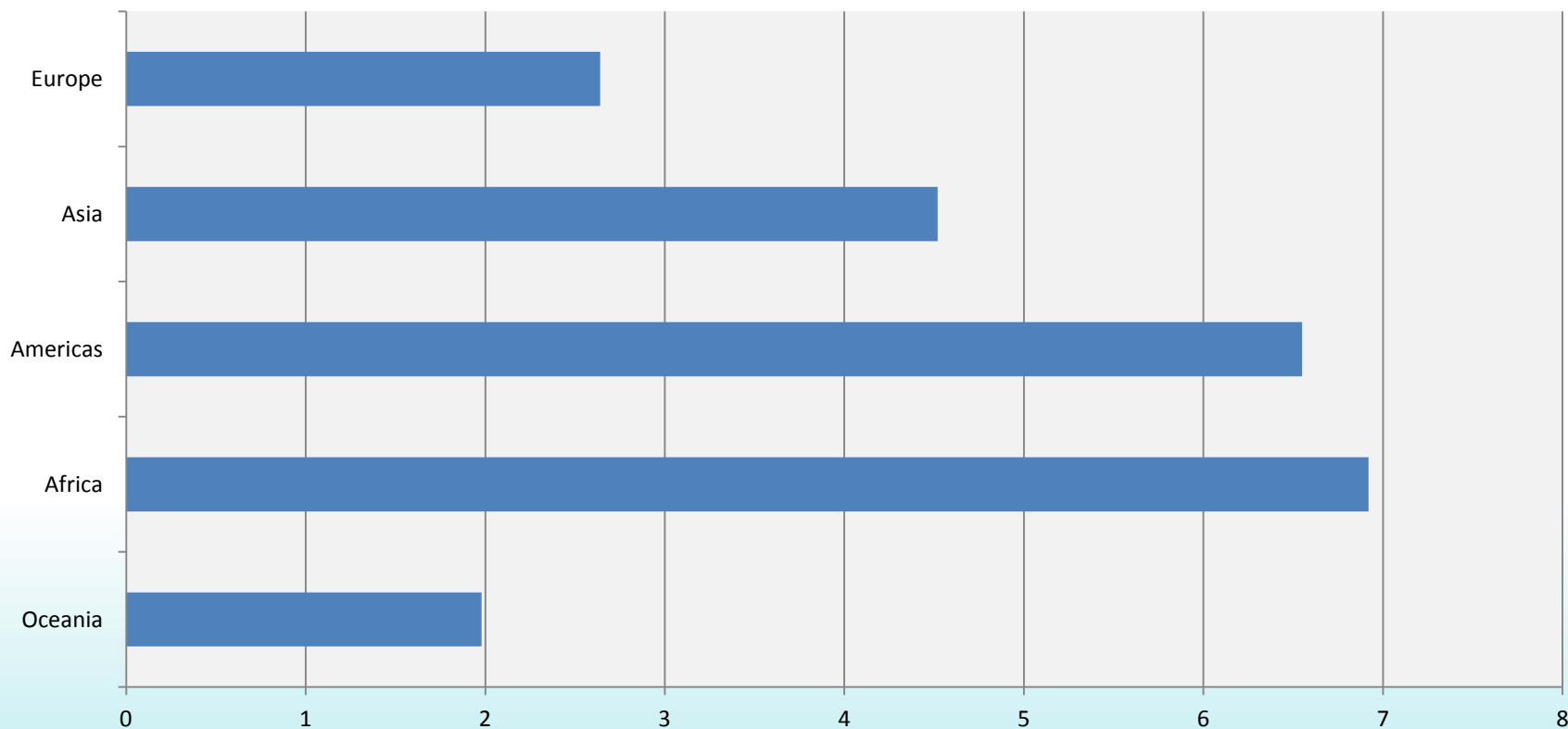
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MAFS are working with very little



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AGRICULTURAL POLICIES

- **Where are countries at?**

1] The Project

- Implementation Partner – **Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), New Caledonia, Fiji**
- Contribution Agreement with EU- Signed **March 2013 for 4 years – March 2017**
- PAPP only fully commenced in **June 2014**

Overall: Poverty Alleviation

→ Small Holder Farmers

3 KEY RESULT AREAS

- **KRA 1: - Policy**

Strengthen regional /national agricultural development strategy.

- **KRA 2 IKM:**

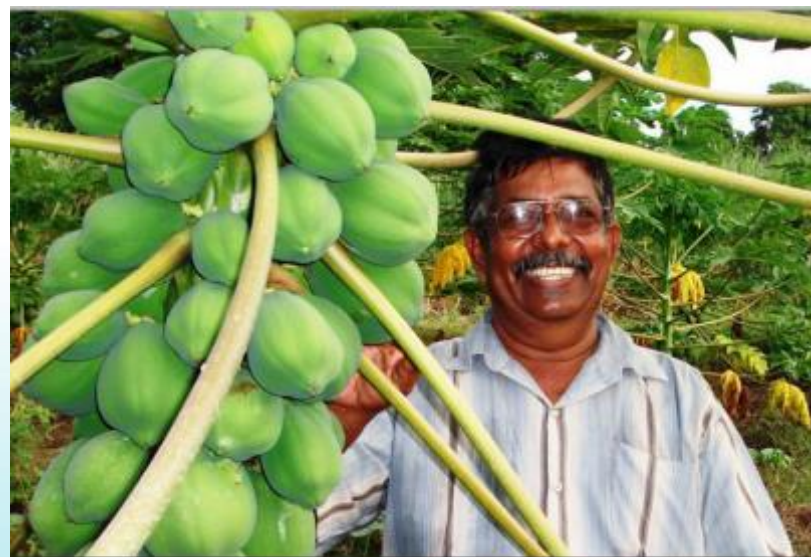
Improve the dissemination and adoption of applied agricultural production research technologies.

- **KRA 3 Markets**

Improved market linkages.



Discover new farming methods



Coverage

- **15 countries (includes 5 LDCs)**
- PNG, **Solomon Islands, Vanuatu**, Fiji (4)
- **Samoa**, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue (4)
- Nauru, **Kiribati, Tuvalu**, Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau (6)
- Timor- Leste

Project Steering (Overall)

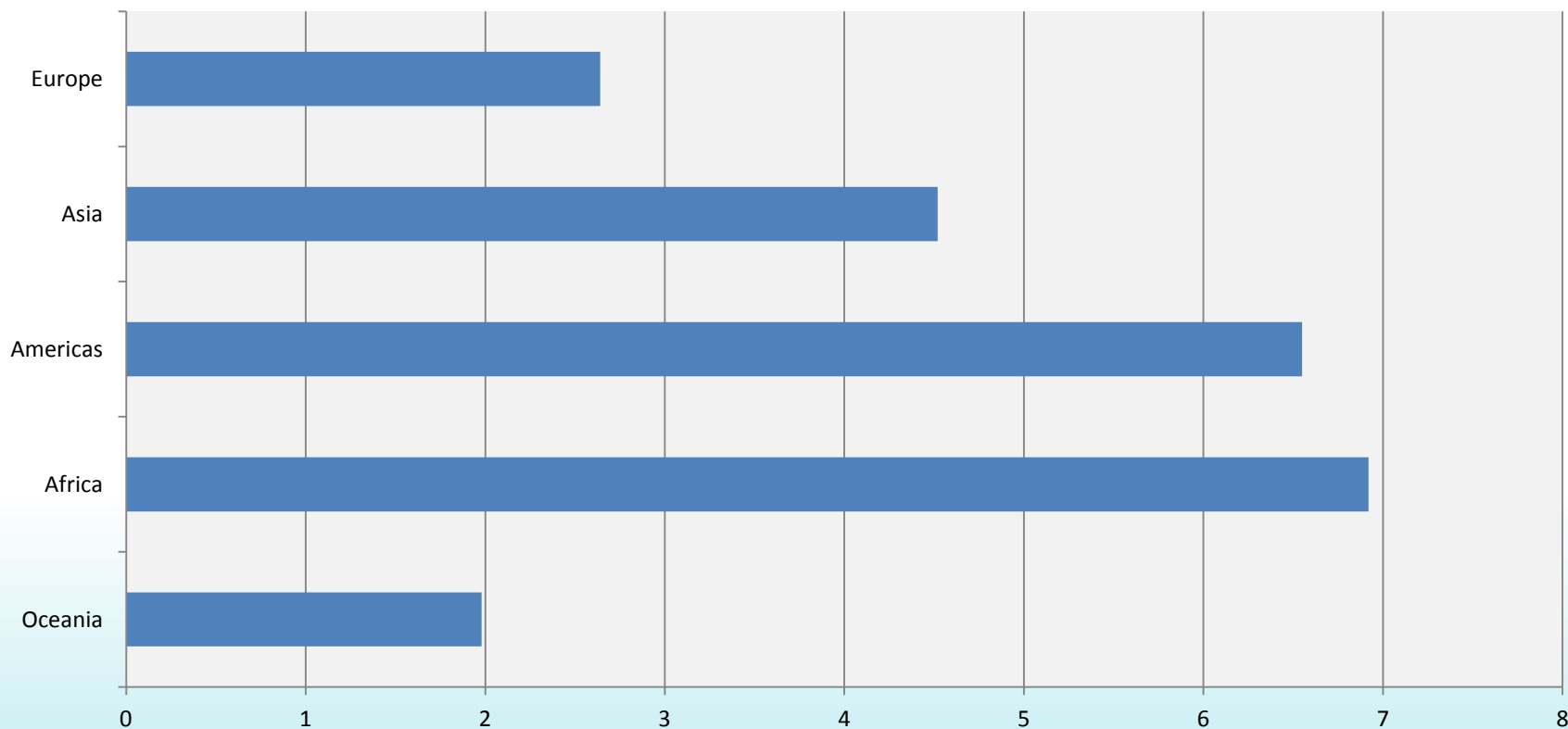
| Country | Nominated PSC Rep & Preferred Sub-Committee/s | Notes |
|------------------|--|---|
| Tuvalu | Itaia Lausapeve – Director | (Reps: Uatea Vave) |
| Vanuatu | Howard Aru - Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Fisheries & Biosecurity | |
| Tonga | TBC (PAPP to send email to CEO with formal request) | Reps: Viliame Moale, Solomon Vaikeli |
| Marshall Islands | Rep TBC | Reps: Henry Capelle, Chief of Agriculture & Quarantine, & Dahlia Kaneko |
| Samoa | Dr Faletoi Suavi - Assistant CEO, Policy, Planning & Communications Division | |
| Cook Islands | Patrick Arioka - Director, Department of Policy, Planning & Projects | |
| Timor-Leste | Ministry to confirm official rep. | Reps - Fernando Amaral, Octavio da Costa Monteiro de Almeida |
| Solomon Islands | Michael Ho'ota | |
| FSM | Alissa R Takesy - Assistant Secretary, Division of Resource Management & Development | |
| Nauru | TBC | Reps: Elkoga Gadabu |
| Palau | Fernando Sengebau - Director, Bureau of Agriculture | |
| Fiji | PS Agriculture | Reps: Pau Tuilau |
| Kiribati | TBC | |

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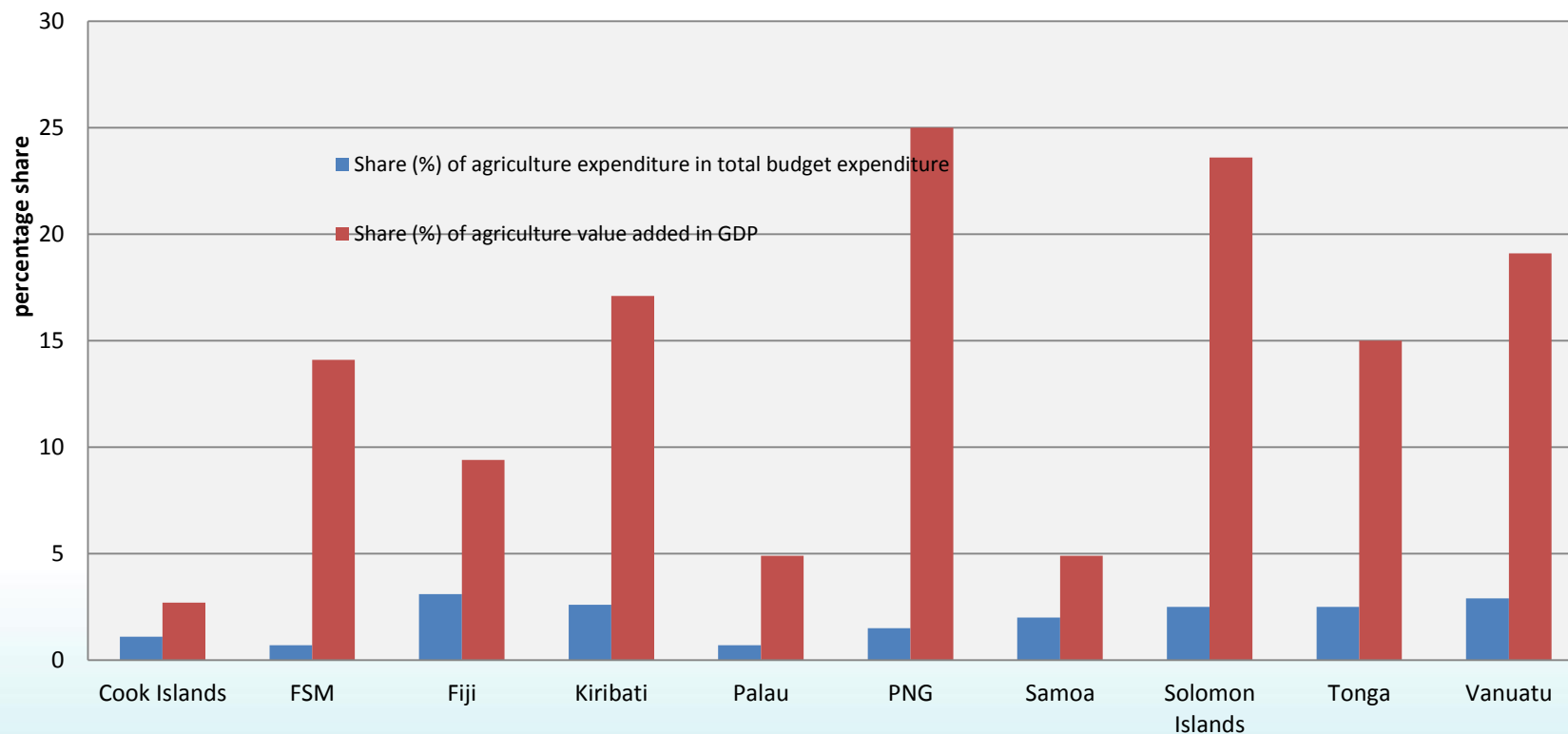
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| Country | Title of Document [type of document] | Type of document | Status | Mid-term review | Terminal review | PAPP Assistance |
|------------------|---|---|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cook Islands | Ministry of Agriculture Business Plan 2014/15 Matairangi Purae | Agriculture agency business plan | Current | | | Started |
| Fiji | Fiji 2020 Agriculture Sector Policy Agenda "Modernizing Agriculture" | National agriculture sector policy | Current | Mid-term (2017) | End term (2020) | Started |
| FSM | Federated States of Micronesia Agriculture Policy 2012 - 2016 | National agriculture sector policy | Current | | | Started |
| Kiribati | Agriculture and livestock Division Agriculture Strategic Plan 2013 - 2016 | Agriculture agency strategic plan | Current | Mid-term | End term (2016) | Q1,16 |
| Marshall Islands | Agriculture: Ministry of Resources and Development Strategy and Action Plan 2005 – 2010 | Agriculture agency strategy | Most recent | | | Q4,2015 |
| Nauru | National Sustainable Development Strategy 2005-2025 (as revised 2009) | National Sustainable Development Strategy | Current | 2009 | End term (2025) | IKM |
| Niue | Niue National Strategic Plan 2009 - 2013 Niue ke monuina, A prosperous Niue | National Sustainable Development Plan | Most recently available | | | Q1,16 |
| Palau | Bureau of Agriculture Strategic Plan FY 2014-2019 | Agriculture agency strategic plan | Current | | End term (2019) | |
| Samoa | Agriculture Sector Plan 2011 - 2015 "...farming and fishing first..." | National Agriculture sector plan | Current | | 2014-15 | Q3 2015 |
| Tonga | Ministry of Agriculture & food, forests and fisheries Corporate plan 2014/15 - 2016/17 | Agriculture agency corporate plan | Current | | | IKM |
| Tuvalu | Te Kakeega II National Strategy for Sustainable Development 2005 - 2015 including Mid-Term Review: Action Plan 2015 | National sustainable development strategy | Current | 2009 | End term (2015) | Q4,2015 |
| Vanuatu | Vanuatu Agriculture Sector Policy 2014 – 2024 | National Agriculture sector policy | Launched | 2018 | 2023-24 | Started |

EU SPC Assistance

- **Policy Awareness**
- **Policy Access/Information Knowledge Management**
 - **Agricultural Policy Bank**
 - **Readability**
 - **Engagement**
- **Farmer Capacity through NFOs**
- **Agricultural Statistics**
- **CBA etc**

Vanuatu Sector Policy Map

(Policy Bank)

-how does it link /who drives what?

DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Eradicate Poverty & Ensure Sustainability



NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

National Framework for Development in Vanuatu



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SECTOR-WIDE POLICY FRAMEWORK

Improve Economic, Social & Ecological Wellbeing



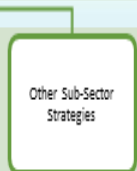
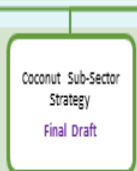
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SECTOR POLICIES

& Status



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Objectives

1] Increasing Policy Capacity/Engagement

- Build stronger links between Ministries of Agriculture, Finance, Planning and Whole of Government
- Documentation/Sharing

2] Strengthen Value For Money/Effectiveness in Spend and Claims for Further Allocations

- Awareness of PER
- Gain interest in PER in your countries

3] Update/Feedback of Regional Policy Initiatives



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- **Tuesday – Overview**
- **Wednesday – Bilateral Discussions**
- **Thursday – Overview of Policy Work being undertaken**

Some Implications ...

- **Elevation/Visibility** of Agriculture/Livestock Sectors
- **Importance of KM**
 - Organised /Structured approach
 - Relevant Content
 - Target and reach



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INTRAACP
Agricultural Policy Programme



SPC
Secretariat
of the Pacific
Community

3] HOW IS PAPP ASSISTING?

KRA 1 – POLICY ACCESS/AWARENESS/ENGAGEMENT

Problem – Difficult to access/read/content

Some steps:

- Completion of National-Level and Key Policies
- Policy Awareness Workshops
 - **National Awareness Outreach – at least one national workshop with NFOs, commercial sector**
 - **Minimum Publicity material**
- Policy Banks for all countries with summaries
 - **Regional Policy Bank**

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- **Agricultural Statistics Capacity**
- **Cost Benefit Analysis Training**
- **Agricultural Survey/Census (SPC/FAO)**



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Example

- Vanuatu Agricultural Policy Bank
- Launched by DPM Vanuatu

3] HOW CAN WE ASSIST

KRA 2 – IKM

- **Research and extension**
- **Out reach to farmers, commercial sector**
- **Outreach to extension officers especially research (climate change crops, livestock feed etc)**
- **IKM Assistance to Countries (July-Dec 2015)**
 - IKM Scan
 - IKM Plan for Agriculture (!) – templates in place
 - Training

3] HOW CAN WE ASSIST

KRA 3 – Markets

- **Linkages to Buyers**
- **Farmer/commercial sector exchanges**
- **Value Chain linkages**
- **Research, Support for Value Add**

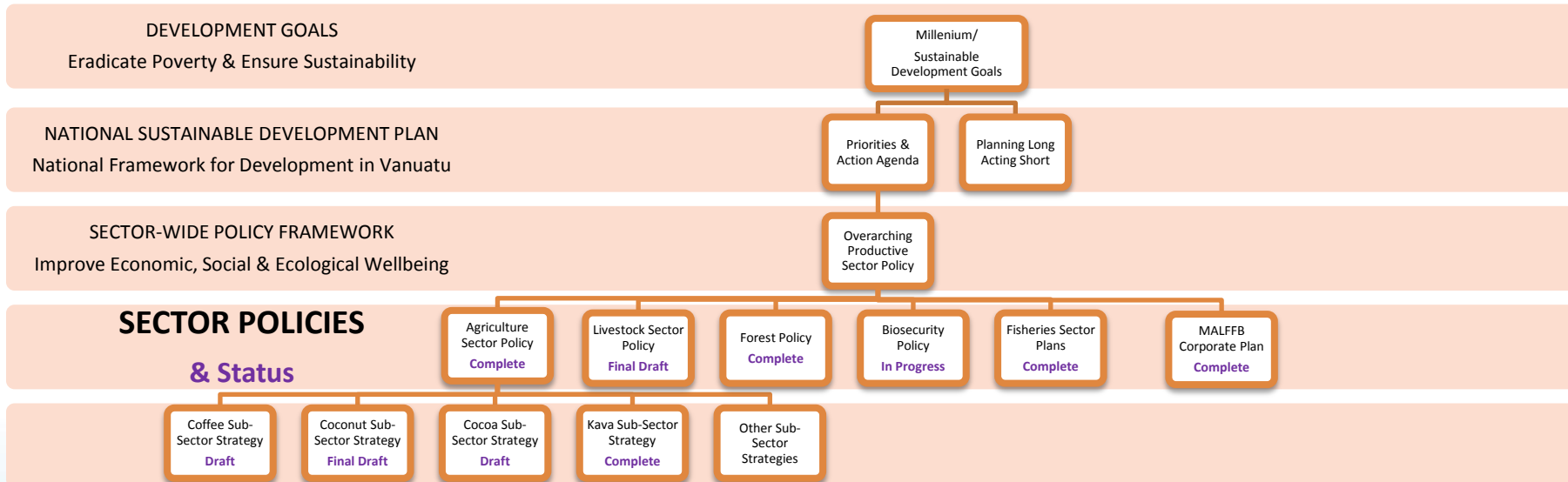
- **AgriTourism Plan/Strategy**
- **VC training for priority commodities (2)**
- **Market Research/support (catalyse value add)**

Snapshot : Vanuatu

| | National Level Policy | Status | YES | NO |
|---------|---|------------------------|--|----|
| Vanuatu | New Vanuatu Agriculture Sector Policy 2014 – 2024 | Completed and Launched | | |
| | <i>National Policy Awareness Workshops</i> | This week | Yes starting with Vila | |
| | <i>National Policy Summaries</i> | Completed | Yes to be launched English, Bislama and French | |
| | <i>New Agricultural Policy Bank</i> | This Week | Yes, first country to launch | |
| | <i>KM Awareness</i> | Started | | |
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Policy Clarity

How do they link/who drives what?



Next Steps

Development of National Agriculture Sector KM Plans

- Need to elevate/awareness/link/disseminate (going back to the problem)
- Caveat – funding availability. Possible sub-regional approaches

Steps

- complete mapping exercise/min data (started here)
- commitment (national awareness, preparations, driving new content especially R&E– websites/PAFPnet
- As well as Supporting Policy Awareness events / Policy Banks etc

2] Pacific Agricultural KM Network

- PAFPnet
- Discussions/exchange of ideas
- PAFPnet focal points

3] Possible Regional Agricultural KM/PAFPnet Steering Group

- Drawn from focal points plus other partners - PIRAS, PIFON



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Next Steps: Proposed Map

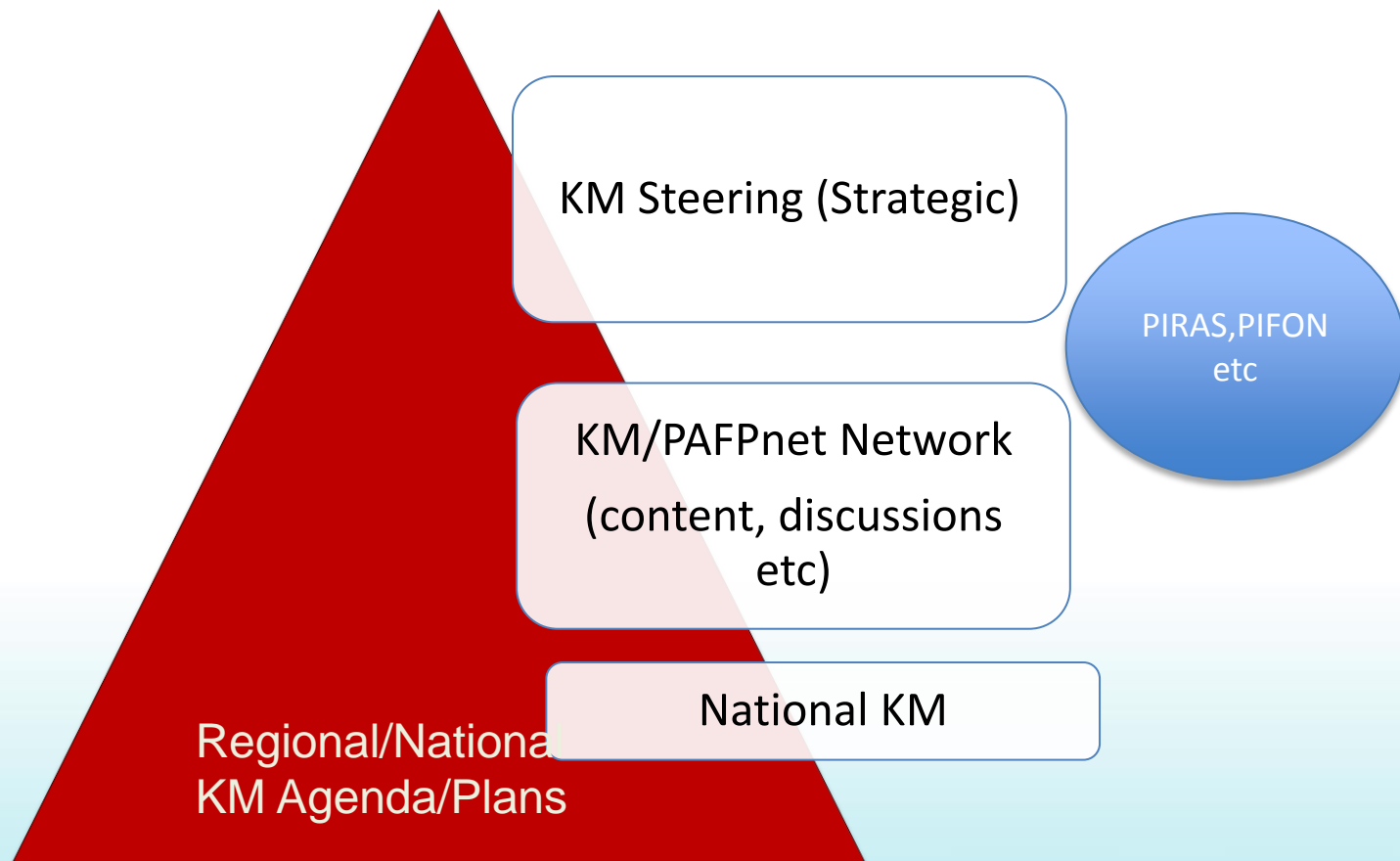
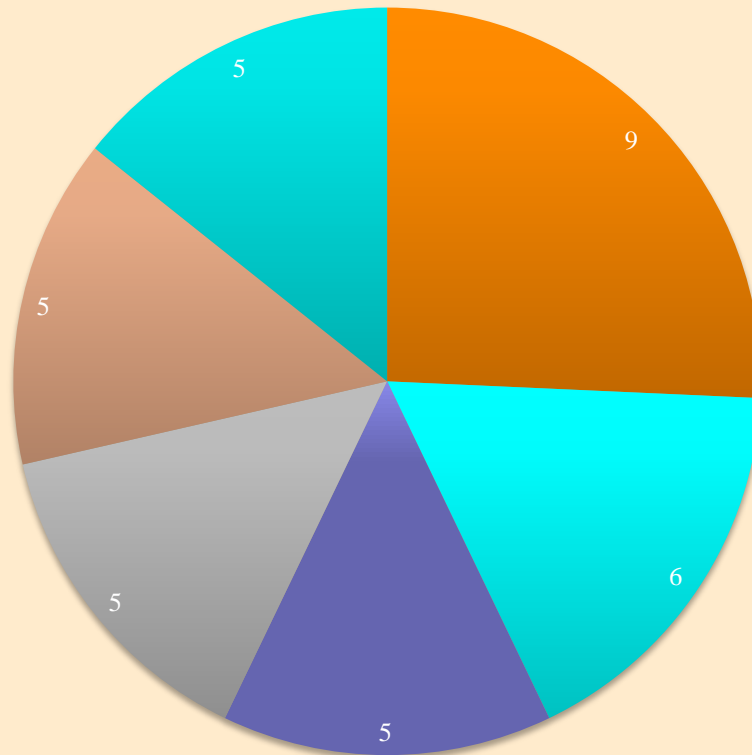


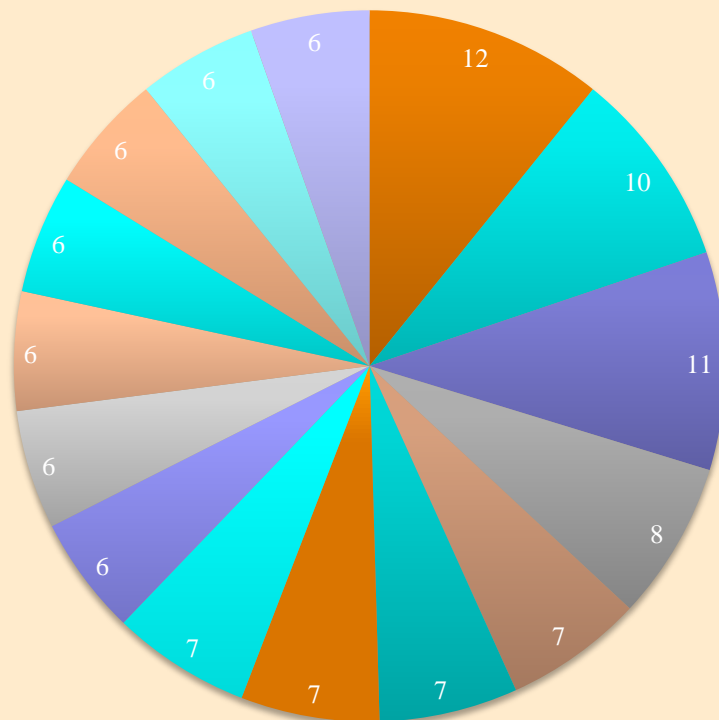
Figure 2: Common Agriculture Priorities*



- **Food Security (9)**
- **Economic Development (6)**
- **Livestock (5)**
- **Access to Funding (5)**
- **Sustainability (5)**
- **Effective Institutions (5)**

Inventory cont'd

Economic Development...includes

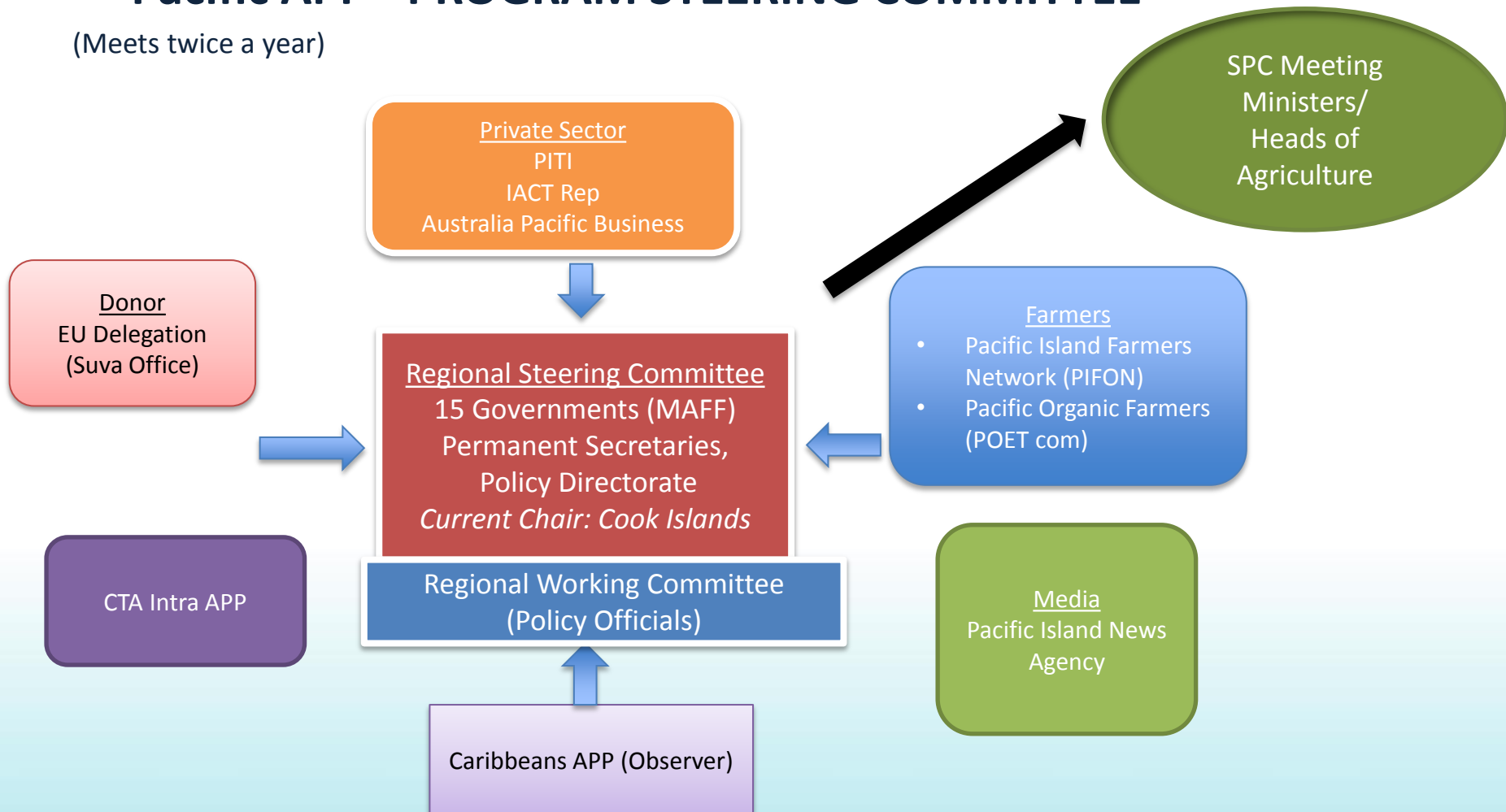


- **Local Markets/Marketing (12)**
- **Access to Finance/Credit (10)**
- **Trade/Market Access (11)**
- **Animal Health (8)**
- **Adding Value (7)**
- **Rural Livelihoods (7)**
- **Transport (7)**
- **Stakeholder Capacity (7)**

2] Structure of Pacific APP

- **Pacific APP - PROGRAM STEERING COMMITTEE**

(Meets twice a year)





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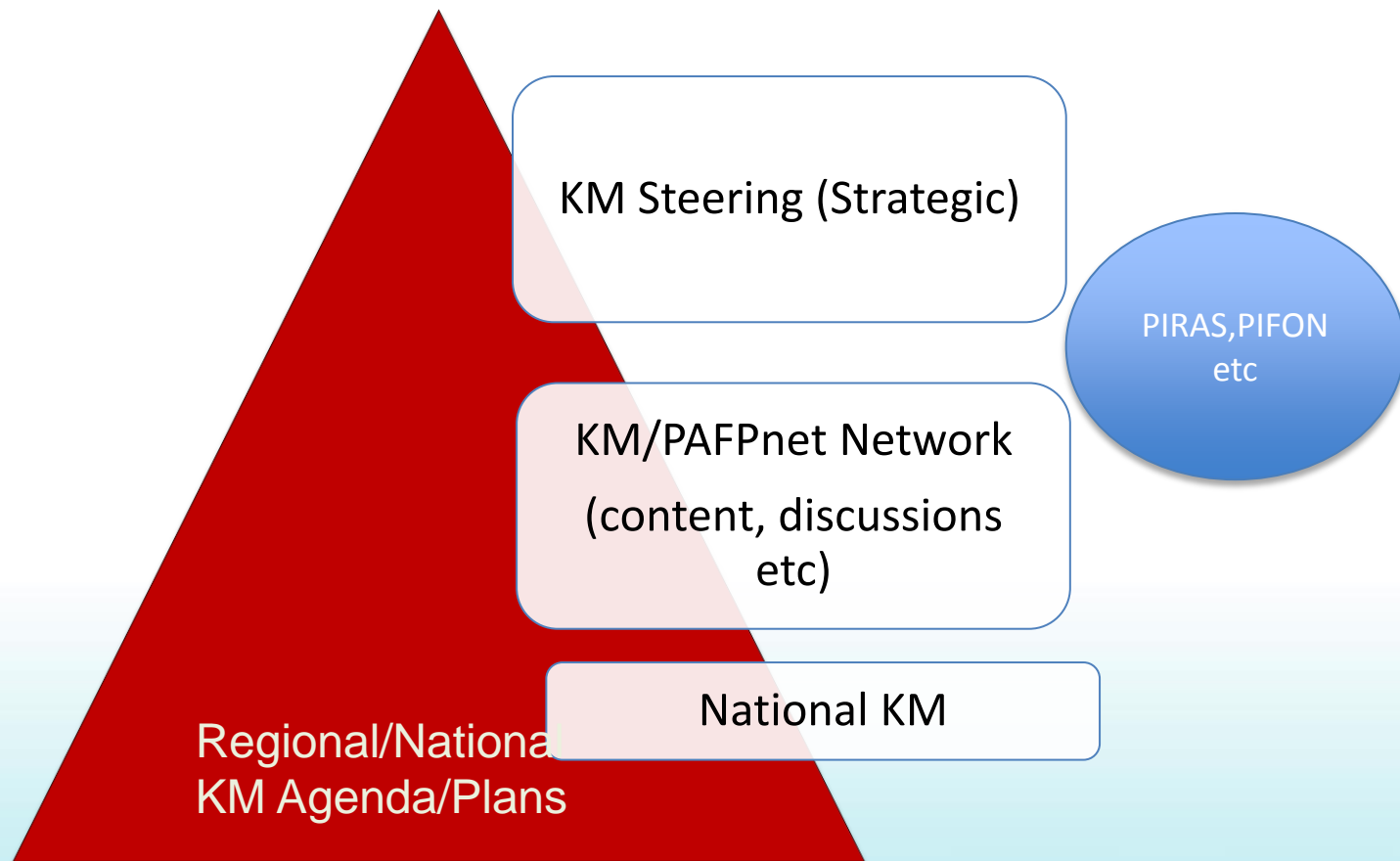
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Next Steps: Proposed Map



Actions

1] Steering Committee (SC)

- Appoint at least 6 members as an interim SC and **Chair**
 - **Chair** to attend PIRAS Board Meeting (November 2015) – linking R&E
 - **Chair** to attend PAPP Steering Meeting (January 2016)

Network (you all)

- *Complete* the minimum map processes/resources exercise
- **Identify** 1 topic of national/regional interest for PAFPnet discussion. SPC will support:

| Country | Topic | Used For |
|---------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Fiji | Livestock | National Livestock Policy Forum |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |

- **Share at least 1 good research practice from your country (climate change cropping., livestock feed etc):**

Outcomes

- **Agreed** to the establishment of an interim KM Steering Committee/Panel. The Workshop nominated the following members:
- **Agreed** that SPC acts as the initial secretariat for above.. SPC will work with the KM SC to:
 - Design a structure that links to PIRAS and other key networks
 - Develop a TOR for the SC
 - Develop alliances with other regions, such as the Caribbeans via CTA, GRFAS others.
- **Improve links between research and extension**
- **Follow up on key issues from Vila Workshop**
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- **Agreed** that a regional forum like the Vanuatu Workshop was highly beneficial and that they be held biennially.
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- **Agreed** to establish an e-platform of key KM contacts and institutions, and research priorities from this workshop. This will be led initially via the PAFPNet portal.
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- **Agreed** to establish an inventory of KM processes/maps (started in Vila) through the KM network. SPC to confirm temp;
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- **Noted** the presentations, documents and outcomes are on www.spc.int/pafpnet/.
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- **Noted** the outputs of this Vanuatu Workshop will be reviewed/progressed through the new KM Steering Group