



**TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS,
PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS**

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Japan Trust Fund 2019: Extension of Deadline on Call for Proposals

Dear All,

This is to advise that the deadline of the call for proposals for the Japan Trust Fund has been extended to **Wednesday 31st January 2019**.

For details please refer to Circular No.: 2018/68, dated 1st November 2018, which is attached here for your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Feleti Penitala Teo".

**Feleti Penitala Teo, OBE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



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PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES**

**Circular No.: 2018/68
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Re: Call for Proposals of the Japan Trust Fund for 2019

Dear all,

Please find attached a call for proposals for project proposals for funding under the Japan Trust Fund (JTF) for 2019. You will note from the Call that this is the first year of the Third Phase of the JTF, which will over the next 5 years place an emphasis on a new fisheries management procedure including harvest strategy and new monitoring technology related projects.

The objective of the JTF is to support capacity building among developing island States in respect to fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement in the following areas:

- (a) data collection and reporting of their fisheries and associated activities, in particular, those required by WCPFC, and
- (b) establishment of fisheries regulation and its effective enforcement, in particular, the conservation and management measures adopted by WCPFC

Project proposal must describe the background, purpose, necessity, expected outcome and budget required for the project in a short but clear and concise manner of no more than 5 pages an example template is attached. **The deadline for the close of proposals is Sunday 30 December 2018.** If you have any inquiries about the JTF, please contact Tony Beeching, Assistant Science Programme Manager (tony.beeching@wcpfc.int).

Yours sincerely,



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INFORMATION PACKAGE

Call for proposals of the Japan Trust Fund for 2019

Introduction

This is to inform developing States and Participating territories of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission, particularly small island developing States, that the Japan Trust Fund (JTF) has secured another extension to cover for 2019, with an increased budget of US \$232,821. The JTF is a multi-year programme of support provided by the Government of Japan. Its initial phase was for 5 years from 2008 to 2011. The JTF was extended for a further 5 years from 2012. The funding focus of the JTF is to support capacity building among developing island States in respect of fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement. In 2018, the Government of Japan and the Secretariat recognized that JTF is very useful for capacity building in Fisheries Statistics, Regulation and Enforcement for Small Island Developing States and they wish to continue this cooperation scheme. In 2018, the Fisheries Agency of Japan successfully secured funding for a third Phase, another 5-year programme. The third phase of the programme is the same as the first and second phases in principle with an emphasis on a new fisheries management procedure including harvest strategy and new monitoring technology related projects with the belief that the projects supported by the third phase project should be more advanced than those of the first and second phases. Proposals from eligible CCMs will be welcomed, noting that any project proposals that overlap with those proposed by SPC/FFA will be reviewed by the JTF Steering Committee.

Applicants need to prepare a project proposal describing background, purpose, necessity, expected outcome and budget required for the project in a short but clear and concise manner of no more than 5 pages (example template below). The deadline for the close of proposals is **30 December 2018**. The Steering Committee will undertake an appraisal, and selection of projects to be supported, with the aim of announcing approved projects in early 2019. Approved projects are required to submit a brief narrative and full financial report to the Steering Committee no later than 30 days after completion of the project. If you have any inquiries about the JTF, please contact Tony Beeching, Assistant Science Programme Manager (tony.beeching@wcpfc.int).

Objective

To support capacity building among developing island States in respect to fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement in the following areas;

- (a) data collection and reporting of their fisheries and associated activities, in particular, those required by WCPFC, and
- (b) establishment of fisheries regulation and its effective enforcement, in particular, the conservation and management measures adopted by WCPFC

Scope and Tasks

Provision of project proposals with budget implication

Outputs

Narrative (Progress) report of the Project and full financial report to Tony Beeching, (tony.beeching@wcpfc.int), no later than 30 days after the completion of the project

Budget

As a principle, **this project is not intended to fund construction of infrastructure nor purchase of hardware and non-expendable equipment.** If such hardware and non-expendable equipment are indispensable for the project need to be prepared, they should be obtained by lease contracts during the Project period to the extent possible.

Expressions of Interest

The consultancy will commence as soon as possible after the selection of the winning bid. Suitably qualified individuals, institutions or firms are invited to submit bids to undertake the assignment described above.

In assessing the merits of all bids, cost efficiency and cost effectiveness will be important considerations in determining the preferred bidder.

Template for the Project Proposal (Illustration - example only)

Title

Development and improvement of fisheries data collection and a data base for Pohnpei artisanal and semi-artisanal tuna catch in the coastal water.

Principal Investigator

Mr/Mrs. PI (brief CV attached)

Background and needs

The problem of a lack of inshore fisheries data exists throughout the four states of Federated States of Micronesia. In the late 80's, there was a program in place that provided sufficient information on fishing effort in the inshore fishery but this was phased out a decade later due to funding constraint.

In 2006, a fish market study was conducted to provide baseline data on coastal fish catch but it did not focus on the amount of tuna landed by local fishers. Tuna fishing such as trolling and bottom fishing, is one of the most important sources of income for most of the fishers. The lack of basic statistics on tuna and tuna-like fishes in the inshore fishery is a serious concern for small developing island countries, because of not only the need for resources management but also for improvement of the self-sufficiency of food. Therefore, there needs to be a program or system in place that will gather and compile information on tuna catches from inshore fishing activity. These data can also help to fill the tuna catch data gaps with regard to landings by local fishers.

Objectives

1. To develop a fisheries data collection program for providing information on tuna catch within Pohnpei coastal water with the assistance of SPC-OFP
2. To enhance the capacity of fisheries personnel on proper methods of data collection on tuna catch from local fishers

Work Proposed

- To conduct workshop for State Fisheries Officers on data collection procedures or methods
- To assess and purchase required software and hardware for improvement of fisheries data input and storage

Expected Outcome

- A tuna statistics program may provide more accurate information on inshore tuna catch.
- Improved availability of information on inshore fishery for resource management purposes.
- An increase in the number of Fisheries Officers fully trained on proper data collection, management and analysis.
- The experience obtained through this project can be extended to other important fish species like reef fishes, another staple fish stocks in island peoples.

Budget

The requested budget will cover: the travel costs of trainer from SPC-OFP to conduct training for Pohnpei State Fisheries Officers regarding basic fisheries data collection, management and analysis. Travel costs for a local Fisheries Officer to travel to all outer islands of Pohnpei to establish data collection program,

train and hire counterparts in these five outer islands. The remaining will be used for software setup and purchasing necessary hardware such as computer (one laptop, a digital camera for outer island training and software) with which the data entry, verification and compilations are executed. The cost of fuel is included in this initial request because it was not reflected in our 2011 fiscal year budget but it can be accommodated in FY12.

Item	Cost
Travel and per diem for SPC-OFP staff to conduct workshop in Pohnpei <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round trip for Noumea/Pohnpei - \$6,000 • Per diem – 5 days (\$119/day) - \$600 	\$6,600
Travel and per diem for State Fisheries officer to outer island to train locals on data collection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of traveling to 6 outer islands to train Data Collectors 	\$ 1,500
Five Outer island Fisheries Data Collectors Contract <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 Data Collectors (\$100/month for 12 months) 	\$ 7,200
Procurement of software and hardware for the establishment of the data base <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Laptop for outer island training - \$2,500 • 1 Digital Camera - \$500 • 1 Software - \$200 	\$3,200
Fuel for data collection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fuel will be used for outer islands and the main island during data collection • \$2,000 for 6 islands and \$500 for the main island 	\$ 2,500
TOTAL	US \$21,000

In-Kind Contribution

Item	Cost
Salary (1 Fishery Officer)	\$10,000
Vehicle	\$15,000
Boats (6 boats with engines at outer islands)	\$33,000
Total	US \$58,000

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