
JAPAN TRUST FUND

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS

2012¹ to date

In December 2005, the Government of Japan informed the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) of its intention to provide an extra-budgetary contribution to WCPFC for the purpose of assisting developing states Members build capacity on fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement. This resulted in a 5-year project entitled “WCPFC Project on Capacity Building in Fisheries Statistics, Regulation and Enforcement for Small Island Developing States (the Project)” to be funded by the Government of Japan. The first 5-year program was completed in 2011. Given the success of, and support for, the project; the Fisheries Agency of Japan sought and successfully secured a budget for a second phase of the project for the next 5-year program, commencing 2012. The second phase objectives and terms of reference were similar to, but build on the previous phase, with an emphasis on enforcement and compliance. The second phase was extended on an annual basis to include 2017 and 2018.

In 2018 the Fisheries Agency of Japan, in recognition of the usefulness of the JTF for capacity building in Fisheries Statistics, Regulation and Enforcement for SIDS and the SIDS desire to continue this cooperation scheme, successfully secured further 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, but with an emphasis on new fisheries management procedures, 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 previous phases.

¹ WCPFC Secretariat assumed administration of the JTF Project in 2012

This report, current as of 25 March 2021, includes details of the projects delivered over the previous years; presents the selected proposals for implementation in 2021; and the ongoing projects, highlighted in green.

2021 Phase 3 Year 3

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Purpose/Summary	US\$
1	Solomon Islands	Mr. Derrick Tagosia Electronic Reporting and Monitoring Coordinator Email: DTagosia@fisheries.gov.sb Phone: +677 39143/30264	Training and supporting Solomon Islands (SI) Electronic Monitoring (EM) Analysts to continue analyzing EM records from EM systems installed on Longline fishing vessels	This project proposal seeks financial support for Solomon Islands EM Analysts to continue analyzing EM records after September 2021, so that SI can provide useful data and information to fisheries management for decision making and to other national and regional stakeholders as mandated by SI membership agreements and efforts to ensure the sustainability of tuna resources for future generations.	39,768.75
2	Solomon Islands	Mr. Derrick Tagosia Electronic Reporting and Monitoring Coordinator Email: DTagosia@fisheries.gov.sb Phone: +677 39143/30264	Training of Solomon Islands Fisheries Observers on the Electronic Reporting Observer e-Obs App to collect data electronically on observer trips to	This project is expected to train observers on how to use iFIMS electronic reporting system that includes use of electronic reporting system to enter and send daily trip	41,291.25

			strengthen MCS processes	data to the SI ministry for monitoring, control and surveillance purposes and trial out the said system until such a time where observer trip reporting will be paperless.	
3.	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi <i>CEO for Fisheries</i> Email: supi64t@gmail.com; thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to. ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Mr. Poasi Ngaluafe Head of Fisheries Science Division Email: poasi.ngaluafe@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Ms. Lavinia Vaipuna Head of Offshore Section Email: lavinia@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Support and maintain high level data collection and to improve management of tuna fisheries in Tonga, as well as providing awareness on conservation of tuna species.	This activity would like to continue funding tuna data collection through port sampling activities for 2021 including training of all new vessel masters, port samplers and artisanal data officers on e-reporting. It is also expected that data collection will be expanded to outer islands of Tonga.	39,515.00
4	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafi CEO for Fisheries Email: ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Capacity building and strengthening of Tonga National Observer Program	This project seeks to strengthen Tonga's national observer program by:	37,800.00

		<p>Mele To'a 'Atuekaho Deputy CEO, Compliance Division Email: meletoaatuekaho@gmail.com</p> <p>Ms. Kalolaine Manuopangi Observer Coordinator Email: kmanuopangai@gmail.com</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Building capacity of senior observers, who are also certified debriefers and creating a career path for these observers by utilizing them whilst on-shore to screen, debrief and enter observer data into the regional observer database called TUFMAN 2. 2. Building capacity of Tonga's national observers by encouraging and promoting quality observer data as well as creating a performance-based incentive to keep observers on the job. 	
5	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi <i>CEO for Fisheries</i> Email: supi64t@gmail.com; thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to, ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p>	<p>Capacity building and strengthening of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section</p>	<p>The objective of the project is for capacity building and strengthening Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section by the recruitment of a paralegal officer to assist in research and administrative matters to help progress the ongoing legislative review that includes inclusion of WCPFC CMMs in the legislative</p>	5,697.10

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6	Vanuatu	<p>Mr Tony TALEO Deputy Director (Oceanic) Vanuatu Fisheries Department Tel: +678 7748056/ 5463595 E-mail: ttaleo@vanuatu.gov.vu</p> <p>Mr John MAHIT Observer Programme Coordinator Vanuatu Fisheries Department Tel: +678 7101857/ 5967727 E-mail: jomahit@vanuatu.gov.vu</p> <p>Fisheries Department, Private Mail Bag 9045, Port Vila, Vanuatu</p>	Feasibility and Cost-Benefit Assessment of Electronic Monitoring on Vanuatu fishing vessels	The purpose of the project is to investigate appropriate logistical arrangements through which hard-drives from e-monitoring equipment can be reliably transferred from the vessels concerned to the VFD and analysed in a timely manner. As part of the project, an assessment of the costs and benefits of e-monitoring arrangements will be made, and compared to the costs and benefits of the Vanuatu National Observer Programme, which currently employs 56 human observers. The results of the study will guide Vanuatu's policy on e-monitoring implementation going forward.	51,287.32
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$215,359.42
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% administrative fee	Overhead	\$232,821.00 x 0.075 = \$17,461.58
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2021	\$232,821.00

2020 Phase 3 Year 2

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Purpose/Summary	US\$
1	Kiribati	<p>Kaon Tiamere Principal Fisheries Officer License and Compliance Division MFMRD Email: kaont@mfmrd.gov.ki</p>	Kiribati Capacity Building for Harvest Strategy for 2020	This proposal seeks to build capacity of Kiribati fisheries officers on harvest strategy (HS) work to enable them to fully participate in decision making process for HS as a member of the WCPFC.	54,010.00
2	Palau	<p>Kathleen Sisor Fisheries Licensing/Revenue Officer II Ministry of Natural Resources Environment and Tourism P.O.BOX 117, Malakal Street Koror, Republic of Palau 96940 Email: utau.sisor@gmail.com</p> <p>Persis Omelau Fisheries Specialist Division of Oceanic Fisheries Management Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment and Tourism Palau Government P.O. Box 117 Koror, PW 96940</p>	Domestic Tuna Market Development Project	This proposal seeks to strengthen and improve data collection system in Palau in order to understand the catch landings by vessel and the market structure in order to inform and advise future management decisions.	70,011.35

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3	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi <i>CEO for Fisheries</i> Email: supi64t@gmail.com; thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to. ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Dr. Siola'a Malimali <i>Head of Fisheries Science Division</i> Email: s.malimali@tongafish.gov.to; siolaamalimali@gmail.com</p> <p>Mr. Martin Finau <i>Head of Offshore Section</i> Email: finau.martin@gmail.com, martinf@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Support and maintain high level data collection and to improve management of tuna fisheries in Tonga, as well as providing awareness on conservation of tuna species (Port Sampling)	This activity would like to continue funding tuna data collection through its port sampling activities for 2020 including training of all new vessel masters, port samplers and artisanal data officers on e-reporting. It is also expected that data collection will be expanded to outer islands of Tonga.	50,776.22 ²
4	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafi CEO for Fisheries Email: ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Tonga Observer Programme	This proposal aims to support training of Observers for both longline and purse seine including a	32,550.00 ³

² The project activities have been delivered with some unspent funds intended for travel that was hampered by the COVID-19 pandemic, the said funds will be utilized for the same purpose once travel restrictions are lifted and/or to assist port sampling activities.

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		<p>Mr Poasi Ngaluafe Deputy CEO, Compliance Division Email: poasi66@hotmail.com</p> <p>Ms. Kalolaine Manuopangi Observer Coordinator Email: kmanuopangai@gmail.com</p>		<p>refresher course for Tonga Observers on how to use the new shark ID keys, 2018 Observer forms, and LL PS Debriefing Guides. The funding support is also expected to train at least one person to be a certified PIRFO Trainer</p>	
5	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi <i>CEO for Fisheries</i> Email: supi64t@gmail.com; thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to, ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Salote Koloamatangi Legal Officer Ministry of Fisheries Email: skoloamatangi2016@gmail.com</p>	Capacity building and strengthening of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section	The objective of the project is for capacity building and strengthening Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section by the recruitment of a paralegal officer to assist in research and administrative matters to help progress the ongoing legislative review that includes inclusion of WCPFC CMMs in the legislative framework.	8,011.85
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$215,359.42
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% admin fee	Overhead	\$232,821.00 x 0.075 = \$17,461.58
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2020	\$232,821.00

2019 Phase 3 Year 1

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	Cook Islands	Mr Andrew Jones Senior Fisheries Officer A.Jones@mmr.gov.ck	Development of National Competent Authority [HACCP strategy] for Cook Islands Offshore Fisheries	This proposal seeks resourcing to support a comprehensive review of MMR's Competent Authority programmes to ensure that current systems respond to the needs of MMR's fisheries management framework.	74,500.00
2	Cook Islands	Ms Pamela Maru Secretary MMR P.Maru@mmr.gov.ck	Improving the participation and engagement in international fisheries forums	MMR will implement a series of training sessions to engage and prepare staff to participate in regional fisheries meetings. This work supports professional development, including working with other Ministries training programs such as diplomatic protocols and negotiation, to ensure staff are adequately trained before they venture into international meetings to represent the Cook Islands.	62,886.10 ⁴

⁴ Total funding required to support this project is USD 64,444.00. USD 62,886.10 is available within the JTF 2019 Budget, the shortfall amounting to USD 1,557.90 is provided from unspent JTF carried over from the First Phase of the JTF.

3	Tonga	<p>Dr Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries ceo@tongafish.gov.to Poasi Ngaluafe Deputy CEO, Compliance Division poasi66@hotmail.com Ms. Kalolaine Manuopangi Observer Coordinator kmanuopangai@tongafish.gov.to</p>	LL Observer Training	This project supports Tonga Observer operations. It will conduct PIRFO and MSC training.	23,500.00
4	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries supi64t@gmail.com thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to ceo@tongafish.gov.to Dr. Siola'a Malimali, Head of Fisheries Science Division s.malimali@tongafish.gov.to siolaamalimali@gmail.com Mrs. Lavinia Vaipuna, Acting Head of Offshore Section lavinia@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Port sampling and data collection.	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2019.	48,776.22

5	Tonga	Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries supi64t@gmail.com thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to ceo@tongafish.gov.to Salote Koloamatangi, Legal Officer, Ministry of Fisheries, skoloamatangi2016@gmail.com	Capacity building and strengthening of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section	A capacity building program intended to facilitate the experiential training of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section, especially their Legal Officer, to better enable them to support the implementation of WCPFC CMMs, work on FFA initiatives to regulate access to FFA members country waters and observer related activities.	5,697.10
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$215,359.42
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% admin fee	Overhead	\$232,821.00 x 0.075 = \$17,461.58
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2019	\$232,821.00

2018 Phase 2 Second Extension

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	Tonga	<p>Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries supi64t@gmail.com thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Dr. Siola'a Malimali, Head of Fisheries Science Division s.malimali@tongafish.gov.to siolaamalimali@gmail.com</p> <p>Mrs. Lavinia Vaipuna, Acting Head of Offshore Section lavinia@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Port sampling and data collection.	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2018.	42,185.00
2	Tonga	<p>Dr Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Poasi Ngaluafe Deputy CEO, Compliance Division poasi66@hotmail.com</p> <p>Ms. Kalolaine Manuopangi</p>	PIFRO observer training	This project supports Tonga Observer operations. It will conduct a national basic longline observer training for new observers, fund and train one Certified Debriefier Assessor as PIRFO trainer and provision of safety equipment for active observers	46,050.00

		Observer Coordinator kmanuopangai@tongafish.gov.to			
3	Tonga	Dr. Tuikolongahau Halafihi CEO for Fisheries supi64t@gmail.com thalafihi@tongafish.gov.to ceo@tongafish.gov.to	Capacity building and strengthening of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section	A capacity building program intended to facilitate the experiential training of Tonga's Fisheries Legal Section, especially their Legal Officer, to better enable them to support the implementation of WCPFC CMMs, work on FFA initiatives to regulate access to FFA members country waters and observer related activities.	16,784.00
4	Tuvalu	Mr. Samasoni Finikaso, Director, Fisheries Department, samfinikaso70@gmail.com Mr. Solomua Ionatana, Principal Fisheries Officer Fisheries Department, tualen@gmail.com	Capacity Building training for Tuvalu Fisheries and Maritime Police officers to conduct High Seas Boarding Inspections (HSBI).	This project will enhance the capacity of fisheries and Police Maritime personnel to conduct boarding Inspections in the High Seas in accordance with WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures (CMM 2006-08); by the end of the project the officers will fully understand HSBI procedures and the application of the CMM 2006-08 in the WCPF Convention area	15,000.00
5	WPEA	Dr Sungkwon Soh	Review of Vietnamese	Review of legal, policy and institutional	8,830.73

		WCPFC Science Manager Sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int Dr Pham Viet Anh Department of Capture Fisheries Vietnam phvietanh2003@gmail.com	National Legislation in relation to WPCFC Regulations with a view to alignment.	arrangements for Vietnamese tuna fisheries in light of WCPFC's requirements	
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$128,849.73
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% admin fee	Overhead	\$139,297 x 0.075 = \$10,447.27
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2018	\$139,297

2017 Phase 2 First Extension

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	Cook Islands	Mr. Tim Costelloe Director, Offshore Fisheries Division t.costello@mmr.gov.ck	Development of a national MCS strategy for Cook Islands Offshore Fisheries	A consultancy and associated workshop with MMR staff will review all relevant legislation and policies, documenting MCS needs and gaps, and may include a review of legislative and policy frameworks, HR and fiscal resources, and technical capacity within MMR.	57,090.00
2	Kiribati	Akeda Andy aketatanga@gmail.com	Meeting the WCPFC Reporting Requirements	To rectify compliance issues Kiribati will hold a one week capacity building workshop for relevant stakeholders, who may then better understands their reporting obligations to the WCPFC	10,427.25
3	Tonga	Lavinia Vaipuna lavinia@tongafish.gov.to P.I. is the Director of the Licensing and Compliance Division	Port sampling and data entry	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2016.	32,726.00
4	Tonga	Dr.Tuikolongahau Halafihi		This project supports the Tonga Observer operations.	28,600.00

		<p>Title: Chief Executive Officer ceo@tongafish.gov.to</p> <p>Ms. Losilini Loto'ahea Head of Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) losalinelotoahea@gmail.com</p> <p>Ms. KalolaineManuopangi Observer Coordinator kmanuopangai@gmail.com</p>		The 13 currently active observers will attend a 2 weeks observer refresher training course.	
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$128,843.25
	WCPFC	<p>Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int</p>	7.5% admin fee	Overhead	<p>\$139,290 x 0.075 = \$10,446.75</p>
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2017	\$139,290

2016 Phase 2 Year 5

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	Fiji	Mrs Alitia Bainivalu Bainivalu.alitia@gmail.com	The Fiji Port Monitoring Exercise	The Fiji Port Monitoring Exercise aims to track the movement of fish from the vessels, to onshore facilities and onward to the final destination. The project will provide useful information related to chain of custody, provide checks against other fisheries data and reporting and help to close loopholes in the current landing levy system.	43,037.66
2	Niue	James Tafatu jtafatu@gmail.com	Developing NPOAs i. sharks and ii. IUU fishing	This project will draft a Shark Assessment Report, which in turn will inform the development of a Shark NPOA.	6,800.00
3	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Peterw@spc.int	10 th Regional Tuna Data Workshop	The annual TDW coincides with the deadline for the provision of Scientific data to the WCPFC (30th April). The workshop supports directly and through capacity building, the developing States to prepare their most recent year's WCPFC data provisions in time for the WCPFC data submission deadline.	55,030.9
4	Tonga	Vilimo Fakalolo Acting Chief Executive Officer	PIRFO Training & CoC FAD Free Fishing Training for Tonga	This project supports the Tonga Observer operations, sending 3 recruit observers to	23,105.00

		vilimo.fakalolo@gmail.com Ms. Losilini Loto'ahea Head of Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) losalinelotoahea@gmail.com Ms. KalolaineManuopangi Observer Coordinator kmanuopangai@tongafish.gov.to	National Observer Programme 2016	attend a 7 weeks sub-regional observer training (proposed Vanuatu Maritime College); provide a 4 day CoC Training for Tonga National Observer Programme and will fund debriefer fees for 2016	
5	Tonga	Mr. Vilimo Fakalolo, Acting CEO for Fisheries vilimo.fakalolo@gmail.com or v.fakalolo@tongafish.gov.to	Port sampling and data entry	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2016.	12,581.00
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$140,553.75
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% admin fee	Overhead	\$151,950 x 0.075 = \$11,396.25
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2015	\$151,950

2015 Phase 2 Year 4

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	FSM	Naiten Bradley Phillip, Jr, Chief of Research and National Observer Coordinator bradley.Phillip@norma.fm	Port sampling data collection review and training with a draft International Plan of Action for Sharks	Port sampling training is currently unfunded and forms part of the request in this proposal. Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To conduct a one-week port sampling training workshop to identify new unloading technique operations and data gaps that has changed over the past years; • Improve data quality reporting of Part 1 and Part 2; • To conduct WCPFC key shark species identification and data collection from purse seine and long line port sampling at Pohnpei port during unloading (see Table 1); • And explore implementation of a draft International Plan of Action (IPOA) on Sharks or status of National Plans of Action for the Conservation of Sharks for FSM. 	19,256.00
2	Nauru	Charleston Deiye Chief Executive Officer cdeiye@gmail.com	Capacity building and transfer of technology on at sea boarding and inspection procedures for Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources	NFMRA is keen to build the capacity of NFMRA officers in-country to improve its ability in conducting at-sea boarding and inspection within its area of jurisdiction to contribute to the conservation and management measures of fisheries resources of the region. Objectives: To conduct training for NFMRA officers on best practice	12,519.50

			Authority (NFMRA) vessel operators in Nauru's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).	of at-sea boarding and inspection procedures. To develop Standard Operational Procedures (SOPs) for NFMRA on at-sea boarding and inspection. To advise NFMRA on gears and equipment necessary for NFMRA officers in conducting at-sea boarding and inspection.	
3	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Siosifa Fukofuka, Observer Training and Support Officer, SPC-OFP siosifaf@spc.int	Marine Mammals and Sea Birds (Species of Special Interest) Identification cards for Pacific Islands Fisheries Observers (PIRFO) on Tuna Purse seiners and Longliners	SPC has insufficient reliable data and information collected on Species of Special Interest. Many interactions and encounters with the species do not land the animal on deck, hence the need for appropriate ID guides. Objective: To publish and distribute 3000 copies of a Species of Special interest Identification cards for use by observers on tuna purse seiners and longliners.	20,900.00
4	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Deirdre Brogan, Fisheries Monitoring Supervisor, DeirdreB@spc.int Tim Lawson, Principle Scientist, TimL@spc.int	A Review of the Needs and Requirements for a Standardised Small-scale Vessel Registration System	Consultancy to review the needs of PICTS for a vessel registration system for small-scale vessels that target multiple-fisheries. Expected Outcome A report that identifies the relevant stakeholders for small-scale vessels registration system, considers data collection, data management and reporting elements, to apply to the current artisanal tuna data system. The report will be a reference document for the implementation of a small-scale vessel registration	21,400.00

				system in PICTs.	
5	Tonga	<p>Mr Martin Finau, National Tuna Data Coordinator and Port Sampling Supervisor, martinf@tongafish.gov.to or finau.martin@gmail.com</p> <p>Dr. Siola'a Malimali, Head of Technical Sections, s.malimali@tongafish.gov.to siolaamalimali@gmail.com</p> <p>Mrs. Nunia Mone, Head of Fisheries, nunia.mone@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Support for the collection and the improved management of commercial tuna fisheries data in Tonga as well as providing awareness on conservation and management of tuna.	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2015.	9,892.00
6	Tonga	<p>Mr.Siola'a Malimali Deputy Secretary for Fisheries (Head of Technical) siolaamalimali@gmail.com</p> <p>Ms. Losilini Loto'ahea Head of Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) losalinelotoahea@gmail.com</p> <p>Ms. KalolaineManuopangi Observer Coordinator</p>	PIRFO Basic Observer and debriefing training for the Tonga National Observer Programme 2015.	This project will i] conduct long line basic observer training for the Tonga National Observer Programme, and ii] complete part B of the debriefing training for 5 observers. Noting that currently Tonga does not have any PIFRO certified debriefers.	24,045.00

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7	WPEA Vietnam	Mr Pham Trong yen Directorate of Fisheries MARD, Vietnam yenpt.tcts@mard.gov.vn Dr SungKwon Soh WCPFC Secretariat sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int	Extended port sampling to additional six provinces in Vietnam and consolidation of Vietnam's annual tuna catch estimates in 2015	This project will produce annual catch estimates for Vietnamese tuna fisheries (by gear and species) for nine provinces, for inclusion in national annual catch estimates, and to recommend a long term strategy for tuna fishery data collection.	32,541.25
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	140,553.75
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% administration fee	Overhead	151,950 x 0.075 = 11,396.25
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2015	151,950.00

2014 Phase 2 Year 3

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	FFA: Nauru, Kiribati, Tokelau and Tuvalu	Tim Parks timothy.park@ffa.int	National Observer Programme Manager (OPM) Rollout	The objective of this project is to improve in situ debriefing of observers by continuing to build capacity at the operational ports of FFA members of rigorous Fisheries Observer Debriefing programs. Adherence to developed best practices ensures that Fisheries Observer information is collected according to strict Pacific Island Regional Fisheries Observer (PIRFO) protocols, transmitted through proper information pathways and is well utilised through established analysis procedures.	\$28,400.00
2	Kiribati	Thomas Ruaia thomasr@mfmrd.gov.ki	Improved data management for Kiribati flagged vessels	Kiribati doesn't have a system for collecting and reporting of fisheries data for its flagged vessels. This project aims to create a system for collection, compilation and management of data for flagged vessels.	\$24,650.00
3	Samoa	Noelani Manoa noelani@mfat.gov.ws	Data Collection Improvement	The project objectives are: 1. To support the participation of a Fisheries Compliance Staff at FFA MCS and the FFA Fisheries Surveillance workshops in Honiara, Solomon Islands; 2. To purchase equipment for the management of MCS data, fisheries statistics and information; 3. To purchase uniforms for six Fisheries Compliance Staff; and 4. To effectively carry out MCS operations and	\$16,845.00

				monitoring.	
4	Solomon Islands	Mr Alan K Aba akirk@fisheries.gov.sb	Fisheries Officer Training	The project objectives are to develop the MCS skill sets of new and provincial fisheries officers. This is to be delivered through training and boarding & inspection of fishing vessels in port; this with the support of regional bodies and/or consultants.	\$27,100.00
5	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Timothy Lawson timl@spc.int Siosifa Fukofuka siosifaf@spc.int	Finfish ID Cards	The project will publish a set of finfish species identification cards for use by tuna fishery observers on purse seiners. The species ID cards will cover 33 of the principal target and non-target species, and will be published on waterproof cards in a small (13.5 cm x 9.5 cm) booklet with a coil binding.	\$19,529.00
6	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Timothy Lawson timl@spc.int Siosifa Fukofuka siosifaf@spc.int	Observer Training Video	The project will produce a series of five video clips, totaling 40 minutes that demonstrate aspects of the work of tuna fishery observers while at sea. The videos will be developed by Pasifika Communications, Suva, Fiji, using existing film footage, and will be used thereafter on a regular basis for the training of observers in the WCPFC region	\$11,886.00
7	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories	Timothy Lawson timl@spc.int Emmanuel Schneiter, emmanuels@spc.int	PIRFO Website	This PIRFO website would offer more features than are currently available, with options for public, limited, or restricted access, depending on the user group and login (public, PIRFO Observer, PIRFO Debriefing, PIRFO Trainer, PIRFO Trainer and Assessor PIRFO Coordinator, etc.). It	\$16,235.00

	(PICT)			would have more tools available for trainings and include collaboration tools such as a wiki, blogs, chat-rooms and/or forum. This new website design would allow for addition of future options such as a Learning Management Module (LMS), allowing online course design, student registration, MCQs, student evaluation and training records.	
8	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Timothy Lawson timl@spc.int Deirdre Brogan deirdreb@spc.int	Supplies for Artisanal Monitoring	The project would provide: 1. accurate length measurement devices to provide precise length data for inclusion in the WCPFC stock assessments, and 2. data collection forms printed to a high quality on waterproof paper.	\$6,975.00
9	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Peter Williams PeterW@spc.int Deirdre Brogan DeirdreB@spc.int	8 th Tuna Data Workshop	The Regional Tuna Data Workshop (TDW) coincides with the deadline for the provision of Scientific data to the WCPFC. This workshop is a fundamental mechanism for developing States to prepare their most recent year's WCPFC data provisions in time for the WCPFC data submission deadline, and provides many opportunities for capacity development to these countries with data management and reporting obligations.	\$78,770.85
10	Tonga	Mr. Siola'a Malimali siolaamalimali@gmail.com Ms. Makeleta Vaikaka-Mahe	Observer Training	Conduct a one week observer refresher workshop for Tonga National Observer Programme, and complete part B of the debriefing training for the three Tongan	\$17,083.00

		makeletamahe@gmail.com		debriefers trainees.	
11	Tonga	Martin Finau martinf@tongafish.gov.to or finau.martin@gmail.com Mrs Nunia Mone nunia.mone@tongafish.gov.to	Tuna Data Collection	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, some modifications to the 2013 project were approved during the 2013 JTF Steering Committee (at SC9) and these same adjustments to pay scales for data collectors are reflected in the 2014 project. The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2014.	\$8,502.90
12	Tuvalu	kakee Kaitu kpkaitu@gmail.com Falasese Tupau Falasese68@gmail.com Samasoni Finikaso Finikaso70@gmail.com	Tuna Data Collectors Workshop	This project will build on the recent successful implementation of a national artisanal tuna fishery monitoring programme, through revision of the initial outputs of the monitoring programme and the provision of further training through a dedicated national workshop for eight Island Data Collectors. The project also aims to extend the duration of the monitoring programme through the extension of eight Island Data Collectors contracts and the provision of monitoring supplies.	\$35,327.25
13	Vietnam	Mr Pham Trong yen yenpt.tcts@mard.cov.vn Sungkwon Soh sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int	Tuna Data Gathering	This project will expand of port sampling to additional six provinces in Vietnam and consolidation of Vietnam's annual tuna catch estimates in 2014	\$38,180.00
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$329,484
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander	7.5% administration fee	Overhead	\$329,484 x

		aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int			0.075 = \$24,711
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2014	\$354,195

2013 Phase 2 Year 2

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	RMI and FSM	Mr Glen Joseph gjoseph101@gmail.com Mr Patrick Mackenzie patrick.mackenzie@norma.fm	Development of an Integrated Fisheries Information System in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia.	This is intended to rationalize the current ad hoc information systems. Most of the funding [100k] is to cover the costs of the project manager to drive the project to develop IMS in each states agency. The ultimate objective is fully functional operational IMS, noting that if this isn't achieved within 12 months, the project should progress the development of IMS considerably in each of the states.	\$160,000
2	SPC	Dr Tim Adams TimA@SPC.int Dr Simon Nicol SimonN@SPC.int	Stock Assessment, ecosystem and bycatch workshops for fisheries officers from developing states of the WCPFC – 2013.	The main objective of the workshops is to strengthen national capacities to facilitate greater participation in WCPFC scientific work/meetings and to enable the participants to better understand the implications of fisheries assessments for conservation and management.	\$108,000
3	SPC	Corey Cole CoreyC@spc.int Peter Williams PeterW@spc.int	Introductory Training Workshop on Observer Data Reporting Tools.	The workshop is intended to provide PICTs with the skills and knowledge necessary to use web-based TUBS VIEWER SYSTEM to facilitate the production of observer data summaries to meet their obligations to the WCPFC, as well as national tuna data requirements.	\$82,000

4	Tonga	Dr Sione Vailala Matoto, Director MAFFF, vailala@kalianet.to or vailalam@yahoo.com Mr Viulimo Fakalolo, Acting Head of Fisheries, vilimof@tongafish.gov.to	Support for the collection and the improved management of commercial tuna data in Tonga as well as providing awareness on conservation and management of tuna.	This project builds on JTF funded support since 2010, with minor modifications it is the same as the 2012 project approved and supported by the JTF. The objective is to fund port sampling in Tonga for the year 2013.	\$8,503
5	Tonga	Ms Ana F. Taholo, National Observer Coordinator, anataholo@tongafish.gov.to or anataholo@gmail.com	Observer training, debriefing and capacity building for Tonga National Observer Programme.	The project includes a 2 week observer refresher course, a one week debriefer training. The project is expected to result in improved observer data.	\$13,688
7	Vietnam	Mr Pham Trong Yen, Dept of Science & Technology and International Cooperation, Directorate of Fisheries. ptrongyen@yahoo.com Dr Sungkwon Soh, WCPFC Secretariat Sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int	Collection of baseline data from the developing handline fishery of Vietnam and incorporation into annual catch estimates for 2012.	The project will develop a new logsheet for the handline fishery; enter existing relevant data, scope handline activity in other provinces. A comprehensive report will be submitted to the VTFACE-2. The outcome is expected to include better handling of handline data and improved annual catch estimates.	Supplementary funding \$3,046
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$375,237

	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% administration fee	Overhead	\$375,237 x 0.075 = \$28,143
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2011	\$403,380

2012 Phase 2 Year 1

#	Beneficiary Member(s)	Contacts	Title	Summary	US\$
1	Cook Islands	Mr. Joshua Mitchell Director, Offshore Fisheries Division J.Mitchell@mmr.gov.ck	Fisheries Integrated Information Management System - Development of an Intranet Portal for Core Data Sets	<p>A 2011 MMR commissioned Information Evaluation Management Study recommended a “three cornerstones” architecture approach to develop a Fisheries Integrated Information Management System, comprising 1) Operational Transactional Systems, 2) an Intranet Portal, and 3) Fisheries Data Warehouse.</p> <p>This project addresses the need for centralised management of “Core Data Sets” through a web-based Intranet Portal which will provide the foundation for managing the core sets of MMR data, namely: vessels, licenses, people and organisations and information flows. The three stage project will conduct onsite a detailed requirements analysis (6 days), then an offsite development phase (28 days) and finally the installation of the portal, including user training and testing and the system going live (6 days).</p> <p>The project will deliver an operational integrated intranet portal that supports the management of Core Data Sets, and provides easy to use access to this data by both internal and external stakeholders.</p>	41,070
2	Cook Islands	Mr. Joshua Mitchell	Cook Islands Artisanal	Artisanal logbooks are being distributed in a phased	4,946.80

		<p>Director, Offshore Fisheries Division I.Mitchell@mmr.gov.ck</p>	<p>Fishery Data Collection Program</p>	<p>approach to deep water and lagoon fishers in the Cook Islands. SPC has provided MMR with a new database system TUFART.</p> <p>This project will dispatch a fisheries officer to conduct education and awareness exercises to promote the Artisanal Fishery Data Collection Program in the remote southern group islands. MMR will use maritime surveillance patrols to undertake this exercise in the northern Cook Islands (often visited by the patrol boat). Logbooks will be distributed to target groups in the southern Cook Islands. Data workshops will train local counterparts (fisheries officers, fishing club members, and island council staff) in data collection program concepts, use of data forms, data provision, introduce incentive schemes, and port sampling methodology. Each visit will be for 3 days. Fisheries Officers from the Offshore Fisheries Division with knowledge and experience in developing and managing data collection programs, will conduct In-house training on data collection programs, concepts, methodology and use of the TUFART database.</p> <p>The project is expected to improve the quality of artisanal data reporting which will in turn enhance fisheries management planning. The project will also result in an increased number of fisheries officers within</p>	
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				MMR with the required skills in data collection, management and analysis.	
3	Cook Islands	Mr. Joshua Mitchell Director, Offshore Fisheries Division J.Mitchell@mmr.gov.ck	Marine Resources Compliance Unit Training – Phase three	This project will deliver the 3rd of a series of workshops increasing the capacity of officers in the fisheries Compliance Unit. The 1 st workshop provided an outline of the legislative foundations used to manage marine resources in the Cook Islands, and tools available to support MCS activities, and introduced basic concepts and enforcement techniques. The 2 nd workshop involved fisheries compliance planning and identification of the compliance process, compliance administration, and enforcement. This final workshop (5 days) will cover interactions with offenders, evidence handling and investigation development, and is expected to continue skill development within the Cook Islands Fisheries Compliance Unit. The training will be delivered by an expert from New Zealand and the course will involve both theoretical and practical modules over the 5 day period.	2,600
4	Cook Islands	Mr. Joshua Mitchell Director, Offshore Fisheries Division J.Mitchell@mmr.gov.ck	Cook Islands Marine Resources – Pago Pago field office and port sampler	The majority of Cook Islands licensed fishing vessels operate in the northern Cook Islands waters and are based out of Pago Pago, American Samoa. An MMR team is in Pago Pago (Jan 2012) developing relationships with the local Government, US authorities, and identifying	12,939

				<p>infrastructure needs and resource requirements. This project will support a 7 day mission to American Samoa, to establish a one year position for a port sampler to complement and improve current data holdings and an MMR field office in Pago Pago to improve current data and MCS information systems as well as to establish fuller control over fishing vessels and their activities. It would also promote development through partnerships with industry and the American Samoan government. The office will eventually also serve as a sub-regional hub for other coastal State partners and regional organisations.</p>	
5	Federated States of Micronesia	<p>Patrick Mackenzie Executive Director NORMA Patrick.Mackenzie@norma.fm</p>	<p>Observer and Port Sampler Training for FSM's National Fisheries Observer Program</p>	<p>The December 2011 MSC certification for the PNA free-school skipjack fishery has the condition of a strict traceability and monitoring component of the fishery operations, requiring observers to be trained in the MSC certificate requirements.</p> <p>This project adds a 4 day module to the existing observer course. The module conducted by 2 trainers in MSC certification, would train 15 recruit observers in new requirements related to traceability and chain-of-custody conditions of the MSC certificate. The project will support two 1-week refresher observer courses before the FAD closure period (Jul – Sep 2012). Included is the</p>	28,760

				purchase of workbooks, calipers for measuring fish, digital cameras and rain/wet weather gear. The use of digital cameras by some observer programs is considered beneficial for accurately documenting vessel activities and NORMA believes that photos will make a positive contribution to observer data accuracy and overall management and administration of the NFOP. The project will improve observer and port sampling data collected by the FSM.	
6	Indonesia	Dr. Agus A. Budhiman budhiman@indosat.net.id	Indonesian Observer-Onboard Training Programme	Continuation/extension of a successful Indonesian national observer pilot project in order to meet WCPFC standards and requirements.	46,800
7	Samoa	Mulipola Atonio P. Mulipola Assistant Chief Executive Officer apmulipola@fisheries.gov.ws Ueta Junior Fa'asili Principle Fisheries Officer ueta.faasili@fisheries.gov.ws	Support for Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) Capability in Samoa	Given increased transshipment operations in Apia, and the implementation of proposed regulations and conservation and management measures, there is a concomitant need to strengthen MCS capacity in country. This project supports the training of an individual at the FFA MCS and Fisheries Surveillance workshops, provision of a computer for secure MCS data entry and	18,144

		faasilijr@gmail.com		storage, two sets of uniforms for 6 compliance staff (the latter to address safety issues and to raise the profile of the staff).	
8	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Colin Millar (Fisheries Information & Technology Officer) ColinM@spc.int Deirdre Brogan (Fishery Monitoring Supervisor) DeirdreB@spc.int	TUFMAN Training Workshop	This project will through a workshop launch a newly developed modular style training course for TUFMAN and offer certification to participants who successfully complete the course. This initial training workshop, will facilitate the preparation of associated training material, and a standardised training module will allow the replication of the training elsewhere. Current and future TUFMAN training needs will be identified through this project.	65,350
9	SPC: Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICT)	Shelton Harley sheltonh@spc.int Peter Williams peterw@spc.int	Enhanced online fishery characterizations to support Part 1 reporting by small island developing states and territories of the WCPFC.	With a view to improving the timeliness of part 1 submissions and to improve their utility and consistency, this project will extend existing webpages that inform 2 of the 3 components of the Part 1 report, i.e. annual fisheries information and statistics information. This is for the subset of the SPC membership for which the webpages apply. The 4 main activities are: 1) analysis of the Part 1 report requirements, 2) development of R-scripts that generate the outputs for each of the countries, 3) modification of the existing webpages to allow the specific identification and compilation of the	28,000

				figures and table that comprise the Part 1 report, 4) provide training to countries in how to use the webpages and generate inputs for the Part 1 reports.	
10	Tonga	<p>Dr Sione Vailala Matoto, Director vailala@kalianet.to vailalam@yahoo.com</p> <p>Mr. Vilimo Fakalolo Acting Head of Fisheries vilimof@tongafish.gov.to</p>	Support for the collection and the improved management of commercial tuna fisheries data in Tonga as well as providing awareness on conservation and management of tuna	This project links to a project approved and funded by the JTF in 2010, and will support two experienced sampling officers, 15 observer trips, plus associated data entry in the Tonga TUFMAN. Data will be quality assured by SPC. A 2 day national tuna workshop facilitated by DOF and SPC staff is expected to improve awareness amongst stakeholders of the importance of reliable data collections. A summary workshop report will be made available 1 month after the workshop.	8,000
11	Tuvalu	<p>Falasese Tupau Fisheries Information and Licensing Officer, Ministry of Natural Resources, Tuvalu falasese@yahoo.com</p> <p>Samasoni Finikaso, Director, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, sfinikaso@yahoo.com</p>	Support for Artisanal Tuna Fishery Monitoring in Tuvalu	A 1 week national workshop will develop the best approach for collecting artisanal tuna data collection in Tuvalu. The workshop will include government employees and interested fishers, and its recommendations will be implemented with the following outcomes: 1) better fisheries management as a result of improved information and data availability 2) greater appreciation of the national benefits of collecting data from the artisanal tuna fishery and an improved understanding of the data collection program, 3) a	32,804

				summary workshop report, the workshop presentations and an updated national tuna data procedures document for artisanal tuna in Tuvalu available one month after the workshop.	
12	Vanuatu	<p>Tony Taleo National Tuna Coordinator ttaleo@gmail.com</p> <p>Moses Amos Director mjatinapua@gmail.com</p> <p>William Naviti Manager Compliance wnaviti@gmail.com</p>	Support for Tuna Fisheries Monitoring in Vanuatu	This project will host a 1 week national workshop on tuna data monitoring and data management, and facilitate a review of national approaches, leading to the drafting of a national tuna procedures document. SPC will provide training in the use of database tools for data quality for national and regional reporting.	4,570
13	Vietnam	<p>Pham Trong Yen Deputy Director, DECAFIREP, MARD, Hanoi ptrongyen@yahoo.com</p> <p>Dr SungKwon Soh WPEA Project Manager/WCPFC Science Manager sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int</p>	Provincial training workshops for the identification of juvenile bigeye and yellowfin in Vietnam surface tuna fisheries	This project aims, through hands on species identification workshops, to build capacity in Vietnamese port samplers and scientists to enable them to correctly identify and sample juvenile yellowfin and bigeye in catches by surface fishing gears (purse seine and gillnet) in the Vietnam tuna fishery.	10,680

14	Vietnam	Dr SungKwon Soh WPEA Project Manager/WCPFC Science Manager sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int	First Vietnam Annual Catch Estimates Workshop	The primary objective of this workshop is to produce official historic annual catch estimates for all Vietnamese tuna fisheries (by gear and species) for submission to the WCPFC prior to the 30th April 2012 deadline. This initiative will also serve to setup a structure for conducting similar annual workshops to ensure the process of producing annual catch estimates is adopted as a long-term, permanent activity of the Vietnam's Department of Capture Fisheries and Resource Protection (DECAFIREP).	23,650
15	PNG	Ludwig Kumoru Executive Manager FMU	Improvement of Fisheries Growth and Reproductive Biology Data Collection for Fisheries Management in Papua New Guinea	The project will ascertain growth rates and maturity skipjack tuna (<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>), yellowfin tuna (<i>Thunnus albacares</i>) and bigeye tuna (<i>Thunnus obesus</i>), in the archipelagic waters of PNG, to determine if the tunas caught in the archipelagic waters are growing and maturing at a faster rate than the rest of the PNG EEZ.	\$70,155
	Sub-total			Sum of project budget requested	\$398,469
	WCPFC	Aaron Nighswander aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int	7.5% administration fee	Overhead	\$398,469 x 0.075 = \$29,885
	Grand Total			Total JTF for 2012	\$428,354