

# ACPMEA Programme Overview



# About the ACPMEA Programme

## Capacity Building Related to Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEA) in African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Countries



An initiative of the ACP member states funded by the EU implemented by UN Environment with SPREP as the designated Hub for the Pacific ACP region



Mauritius Strategy for Implementation highlighted the need to strengthen negotiation skills and the effectiveness of PICs and SIDS in international negotiations



To support and address capacity of Pacific ACP countries to effectively deal with MEA obligations

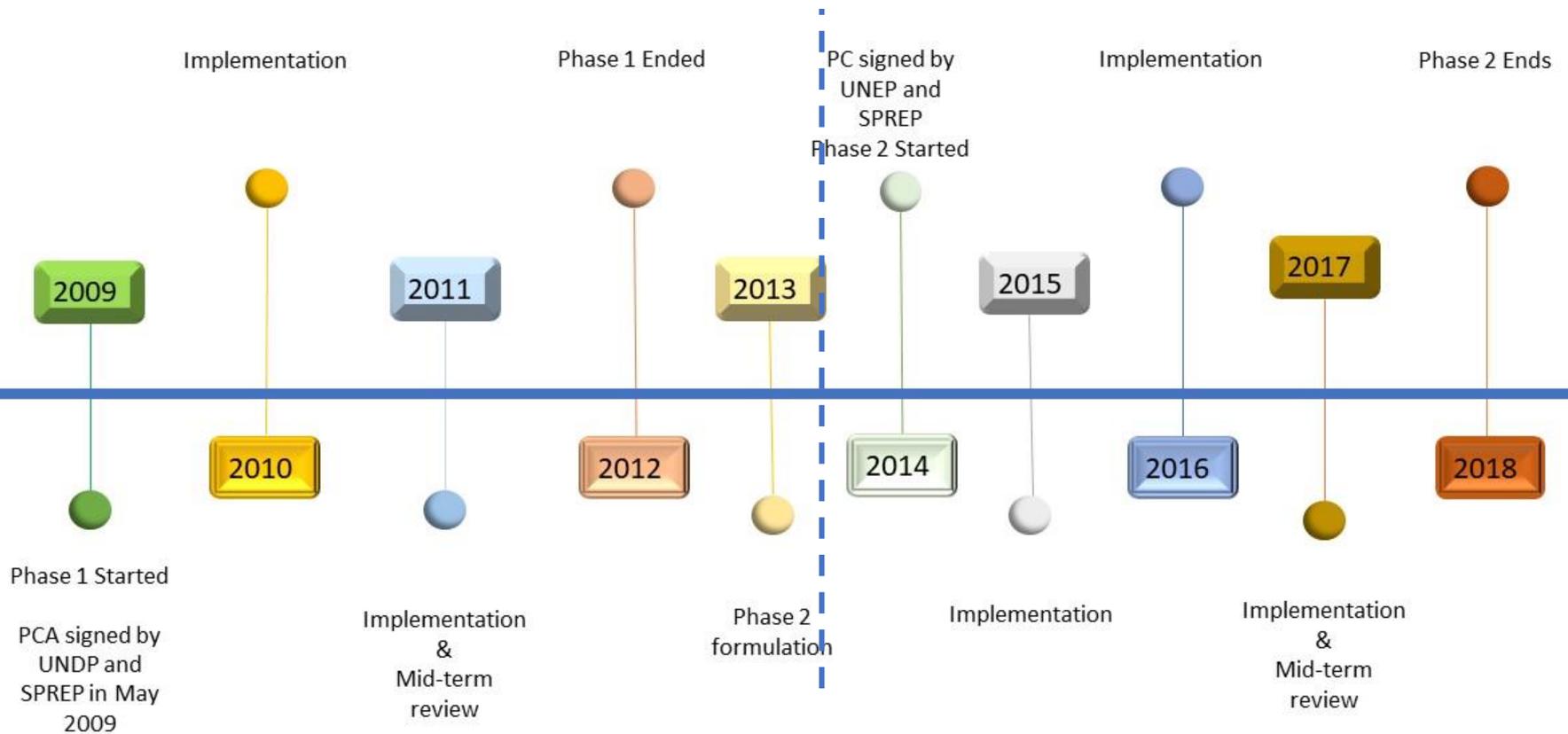


Priority capacity needs were identified from the National Capacity Self Assessment Reports



Two phases: Phase 1 started from 2009 to February 2013 and Phase 2 from 2014 to 2018

# ACP-MEA PROGRAMME TIMELINE



## *Overall objective*

To strengthen and enhance the endogenous capacity of Pacific ACP countries to implement and comply with MEAs and related commitments



## *Specific objective*

To strengthen the implementation of MEAs at the national and regional levels through the enhancement of SPREP as an environment hub for the Pacific island countries.

**Phase 1: 2009 to February 2013**

# Phase 1: Key Result Areas



**1. Synthesis and prioritization of Countries' capacity building needs for MEA implementation**

National Capacity Self Assessment Reports



**2. Improved national capacity building on MEA issues: negotiation, follow up and coordination**

Negotiation training, tools and materials  
Regional preparatory meetings



**3. Improved coordination, exchange and utilization of data and information, MEA CHM**

Workshops on information management  
MEA Clearing House Mechanism and databases



**4. Improved mainstreaming of MEAs into environment strategies and NSDPs**

Targeted training on mainstreaming at national and regional levels



**5. Improved regional coordination**

Promoting MEAs within regional coordination mechanisms  
Synergies with other related projects and initiatives in the region



# Phase 1: Key Result Areas



**6. Improved implementation of MEAs at the national level and support from the Pacific Hub**

Training on project management and EIA



**7. Increased exchange of experiences on MEAs at regional and ACP levels**

South-south cooperation and SPREP website



**8. Increased awareness, knowledge and understanding of Pacific ACP countries on MEAs**

Publications, knowledge products and information materials



**9. The Pacific Hub is functional and linked to and participates in relevant institutional processes**

Participation and engagement at relevant CROP Working Groups



## Phase 2: Key Result Areas

*Overall objective:*

To promote environmental sustainability in ACP countries by strengthening and enhancing capacity of Pacific ACP countries to effectively mainstream and implement MEAs in the chemicals, waste and biodiversity cluster of MEAs



*Specific objective:*

To support and strengthen SPREP's capacity to provide MEA related services to member states and support synergistic implementation of MEAs

# Phase 2: Key Result Areas

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1. Institutional capacity building through enhanced capacity of the Pacific Hub to support national and regional implementation of target MEAs

- Integration of the ACPMEA project into SPREP's Annual Work Plan and Budget
- Strengthen the project team within SPREP
- Establish regional database of National Minimum Environment Indicators to assist with MEA reporting

2. National capacity building to implement and report on MEA commitments

- Support process for PICs to become parties to MEAs
- National level training on effective engagement at MEA COP and related meetings
- Assist PICs to revise NEMS and the integration of MEAs
- Support the mainstreaming of MEA objectives into national planning processes

# Phase 2: Key Result Areas

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## 2. National capacity building to implement and report on MEA commitments

- Assist in strengthening policy and legal frameworks
- Strengthen national MEA compliance and enforcement through EIA and SEA
- Strengthen national capacity for monitoring and reporting
- Support and facilitate access to GEF and other MEA related financial mechanisms

## 3. Synergistic implementation

- Strengthen partnerships and joint implementation
- Engage with other ACP Hubs to exchange information and lessons learnt

## 4. Improve visibility and knowledge sharing

- Design and produce visibility products
- Engage and inform media on project activities



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