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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: Twenty-fourth session of the WMO Regional Association V (South-West Pacific) (RA V) Tropical Cyclone Committee for the South Pacific and the South-East Indian Ocean (RA V TCC-24, 4-6 August 2026), and meeting of the SWFP-South Pacific Regional Subprogramme Management Team (RSMT) (7 August 2026) in Apia, Samoa

Action required: To complete the Nomination Form to be submitted to the WMO Secretariat **on or before 30 June 2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Regional Association V (RA V) called for annual sessions of the RA V Tropical Cyclone Committee (RA V TCC) for the South Pacific and South-East Indian Ocean prior to the tropical cyclone season ([Resolution 1, RA V-18, virtual session](#)).

I have the pleasure in informing you that, at the kind invitation of Samoa, the RAV TCC-24 will be organized from 4 to 6 August 2026, back-to-back with the Regional Subprogramme Management Team (RSMT) of the Severe Weather Forecasting Programme for South Pacific ([SWFP-South Pacific](#)) on 7 August 2026. The function of the Committee may be broadly described as, among others, coordination and improvement of the tropical cyclone forecasting and warning services, and thereby, the reduction of casualties and damage resulting from tropical cyclones in the Region. The RSMT is expected to review the progress of SWFP South Pacific and its potential contributions to the [Early Warnings for All \(EW4All\) initiative](#).

I am pleased to invite you to nominate a representative of your country to participate in the RA V TCC-24 session and RSMT meeting. Please find attached herewith the nomination form (Annex I) and the list of the members of the RSMT (Annex II). The draft agenda will be made available in due course at the session/meeting website.

In accordance with [WMO General Regulation 31](#), the "expenses for the attendance of members of subsidiary bodies of constituent and additional bodies at sessions of these bodies shall normally be borne by the Members or the international organization to which those members belong." It is, therefore, hoped that your Government will consider covering the cost of participation of your nominated expert. However, upon request, WMO could consider providing financial support (travel and a lump sum in lieu of per diem) for the participation of your nominated expert.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association V Tropical Cyclone Committee and SWFP-SP RSMT: Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu (limited distribution)
cc: Mr Laitia Fifita (laitiaf@met.gov.to), President of RA V, Fua'amotu, Tonga
Mr Chris Noble (chris.noble@met.service.com), Chair of RA V TCC, Wellington, New Zealand
Mr Raveen Das (raveen.das@met.service.com), Chair of RSMT SWFP South Pacific, Wellington, New Zealand

Given the limited funds available for the RA V TCC session and RSMT meeting, I should be grateful if you would kindly **consider nominating the same participant to attend both events.**

Regarding insurance coverage for non-staff members, may I draw your attention to the following:

"Non-staff members of WMO who are authorized to travel at the Organization's expense and/or who are receiving a DSA from WMO must ensure they are fully responsible for expenses incurred in the event of death, illness or injury during official travel and attendance at meetings on behalf of the Organization. They are, therefore, fully responsible for arranging life, health, accident, as well as any other forms of insurance with an adequate level of coverage for the duration of such meetings and events. WMO liability is limited to the performance of services or attendance at a meeting on behalf of the Organization, is covered by an injury and illness benefit insurance which provides a limited coverage for medical, emergency and supplementary official travel expenses."

For administrative purposes, I should be grateful if you could notify the WMO Secretariat (acfontan@wmo.int, ymochizuki@wmo.int and ahussain@wmo.int) **on or before 30 June 2026** of the attendance of your nominated expert, and whether financial assistance would be required.

I would like to express my appreciation for your continued support in promoting the activities of WMO.

Yours faithfully,



Ms Ko Barrett
for the Secretary-General

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE RA V TROPICAL CYCLONE COMMITTEE FOR THE SOUTH PACIFIC AND THE SOUTH-EAST INDIAN OCEAN (RAV TCC-24)

RAV TCC-24, 4-6 AUGUST 2026

MEETING OF THE REGIONAL SUBPROGRAMME MANAGEMENT TEAM (RSMT) OF THE SEVERE WEATHER FORECASTING PROGRAMME FOR THE SOUTH PACIFIC (SWFP-SP)

SWFP-SP RSMT, 7 AUGUST 2026

Apia, Samoa

The Government ofnominates:

Family Name			Gender: Male: Female:
First Name			
Address (Office)			
City – Country			
Present position			
Telephone	Office +	Home +	
Fax	Office +	Home +	
E-mail			
Date and Place of Birth		Nationality	
Passport No. *		Expiry Date	

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

Please indicate below if any financial assistance is required from WMO.

Air-ticket (the most economical & direct) (Yes/No):

Per diem to cover for hotel accommodation, meals, and incidental expenses (Yes/No):

Date _____ :

Signature of Permanent Representative:

Name of Permanent Representative:

To be completed and returned by mail, at the latest by **30 June 2026** to: Ms Anne-Claire Fontan (acfontan@wmo.int), Mr Ata Hussain (ahussain@wmo.int), and Mr Yasushi Mochizuki (ymochizuki@wmo.int)

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Members of the Regional Subprogramme Management Team (RSMT) from Pacific SIDS and RSMC Wellington

Chair of RSMT of SWFP-South Pacific	
1	Raveen Das (Chair), RSMC Wellington, NEW ZEALAND
National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHs) involved in both RA V TCC & SWFP-SP	
1	COOK ISLANDS
2	FIJI (ALSO RSMC TC)
3	KIRIBATI
4	NAURU
5	NIUE
6	SAMOA
7	SOLOMON ISLANDS
8	TONGA
9	TUVALU
10	VANUATU
SUPPORTING CENTRES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experts from SWFP supporting centres in Australia, New Caledonia, New Zealand and USA attending the RA V TCC may also attend the RSMT meeting (Apia, Samoa, 7 August 2026) in-person. • Experts from SWFP supporting centres in Europe (i.e. ECMWF and Met Office UK) and Japan may send their recorded presentations or provide their contributions for RSMT meeting via email as appropriate and feasible.