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Workshop

Greening taxes & subsidies in Pacific Island Countries and Territories

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13.00 Welcome coffee

13.30-14.00 Welcome address – Toney Tevi, Head of the Maritime Division (Department of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation & External Trade)

Introduction – Raphaël Billé, RESCCUE project coordinator (Pacific Community)

14.00-14.40 Existing harmful taxes & subsidies in Pacific Island Countries and Territories

Regional review with Vanuatuan examples – Emma Watkins (IEEP) & Katherine Daniell (ANU)

The New Caledonian example – Samuel Gorohouna (Université de la Nouvelle-Calédonie) / Nastasia Keurmeur (Vertigo Lab)

14.40-15.20 Discussion - Which harmful taxes & subsidies exist in Vanuatu?

Making reference to one or more sectors (from: mining, fisheries, agriculture, transport, waste management, water management, urban development, tourism, and energy) participants will be invited to respond to the following questions:

- Which harmful taxes & subsidies exist in Vanuatu, other than those identified by our research so far?
 - What have been the environmental and socio-economic impacts of these instruments?
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15.20-16.00 Greening taxes & subsidies in Pacific Island Countries and Territories

Towards greener taxes and subsidies in the region, with a focus on Vanuatu – Emma Watkins (IEEP) & Katherine Daniell (ANU)

Towards greener taxes and subsidies in New Caledonia – Samuel Gorohouna (UNC) / Nastasia Keurmeur (Vertigo Lab)

16.00-16.30 Discussion - Greening taxes and subsidies in Vanuatu: identifying future needs, options and improvements

Participants will be invited to respond to the following questions for one or more sectors:

- What environmental objectives need to be achieved?
 - How could new or improved – greener – taxes and subsidies help?
 - What reforms or changes are needed? What steps need to be taken in the short and medium term to achieve greener taxes and subsidies?
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16:30 Conclusion and meeting closure – Raphaël Billé (Pacific Community)
