

Partnerships for Coral Reef Finance and Insurance in Asia and the Pacific: Final Stakeholder Workshop | 11-12 March 2026

The Final Regional Workshop brought together government representatives, project partners, technical experts, and stakeholders from Fiji, Indonesia, the Philippines, and Solomon Islands to present the findings of the regional project and share lessons learned from country assessments. The workshop explored innovative financing and risk transfer mechanisms, including coral reef insurance, conservation trust funds, and blended finance approaches, to strengthen coastal resilience and support the long-term protection and restoration of coral reef ecosystems. Participants also discussed pathways for implementation, regional collaboration, and opportunities to scale successful approaches across Asia and the Pacific.

Session Title	Speaker
Welcome Remarks and Keynote Speeches	Christine Engstrom
	Dr Sivendra Michael
	Andreas Lunding
	Claude Gascon
Project Overview and Approach	Thomas Kessler Louise Heaps Lorena Ramirez
Site Prioritization Valuation and Cost Benefit Analysis	James Spurgeon
Climate Risk Assessments	Michael Walz
Vulnerability Assessments Restoration Planning and Budgeting	Selina Ward
Creating a Finance Model for Risk Transfer	Alison Drill
Designing and Operationalizing a Conservation Trust Fund for the Solomon Islands	Camille Richer
Designing and Operationalizing Parametric Insurance	Alison Drill

Panel Discussion: Key Enablers for Risk Transfer Options in Each of the Project Sites	Diane Figueroa
	Budiati (Dias) Prasetiamartati
	Francis Areki
	Philip Tagini
Panel Discussion: Key Stakeholder Reflections – Governments	Senivasa Waqairamasi
	Agnetha Vave-Karamui
	Ahmad Sofiullah
	John Christopher C. Silvosa
Panel Discussion: Key Stakeholder Reflections – Private Sector and Coastal Communities	Bianca Espino
	Mr. I Nyoman Karyawan
	Glen Vavaitamana
	Derald Pitakaka
Reflections from Day 1 and Objectives of the Day	Arun Abraham
Overview of Knowledge Management Products	Margaux Monfrared
Quintana Roo Case Study – Key Lessons from Parametric Insurance Design and Implementation	Fernando Secaira
What was Leveraged from Quintano Roo and What was New?	Maria Jose Gonzales
Panel Discussion: Key Lessons from Other Parametric Insurance Projects	Sarah Conway
	Diana Almoro
	Benedikt Signer
	Nicolas Pondard
Overview of Conservation Trust Funds	David Meyers

Highlight of the Key Themes and Conclusions that came out of the Pacific Blue Finance Workshop	Nicola Thomson
Moderated Panel: Key Lessons from Conservation Trust Funds	Mae Bruton Adams
	Agnetha Vave-Karamui
	Jobert John Bandol
	Hery Kuswanto
Delivering Next steps - What Needs to Happen to Get the Pilots Up and Running	Philippines: Diane Figueroa
	Fiji: Francis Areki
	Solomon Islands: Dr Phil Tagini
	Indonesia - Budiati (Dias) Prasetiamartati
Taking Risk Transfer Mechanisms to Scale	Yabanex Bastista
Plenary Breakout Feedback	Norman Tilos
Final Plenary	Arun Abrham
Final Workshop Summary	A summary of the Final Regional Workshop, capturing the key discussions, technical findings, country priorities, and recommended next steps for advancing coral reef finance, insurance, and resilience across Fiji, Indonesia, the Philippines, and Solomon Islands.