

# Case Study: IT Power Renewables



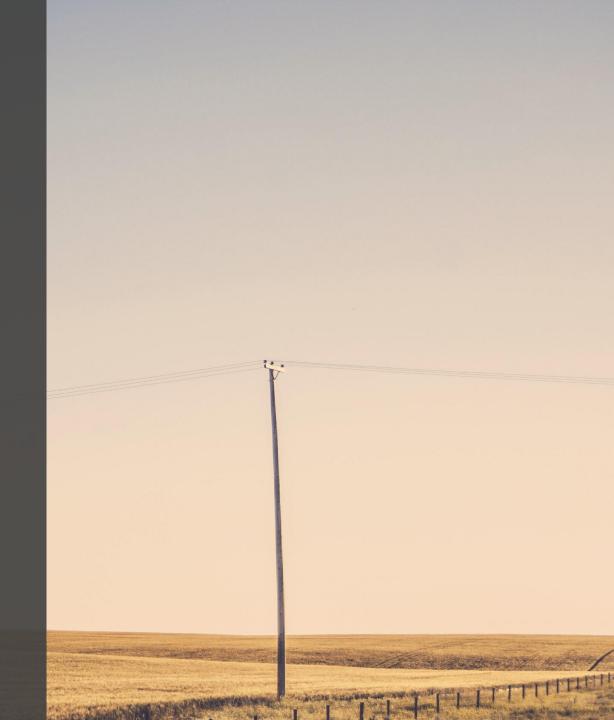
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# Working in the Pacific – Energy case studies

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#### **About ITP Renewables**



- Energy sector Renewable energy specialization
- Over 30 years international experience and 1,000 projects
- Worked in all PICs, currently working on projects in PNG,
   Marshall Islands, FSM, Tokelau
- Completed projects in Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Niue, Palau, Tonga,
   Samoa, Cook Islands, Kiribati, Fiji, Solomon Islands
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#### **World Bank Projects**



- Tuvalu Energy Sector Development Project
- FSM Energy Sector Master Plan
- Pohnpei Power Station Refurbishment
- Kosrae Battery Energy Storage System
- Solomon Islands Electrification Plan

- Engineering and consulting
- Owner's Engineer

## Sample projects





Kiritimati Island, Kiribati

Nanumaga, Tuvalu

#### Why is renewable energy important?



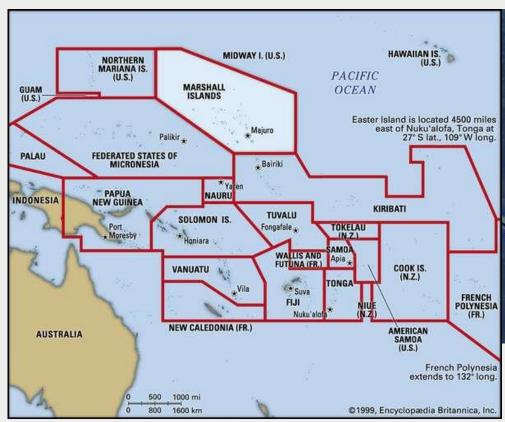
- Energy access and economic
   development some regions only
   have 15% access to electricity
- Energy security reduce diesel reliance
- Climate change
- Affordability
- Local environmental concerns





#### Marshall Islands Sustainable Energy Project







~60,000 people total

~30,000 live in the capital, Majuro, others spread across 25 other islands
Lots of ocean, not much land
1-5m above sea level

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#### **Project Summary**



- World Bank
- Solar PV, battery systems for Majuro (main island)
- Diesel power station upgrades
- Originally to include PV and battery systems to get to 9% renewable energy for the entire country – about 3.5MW
- Currently under construction
- Construction contract signed Dec 2019 just before COVID

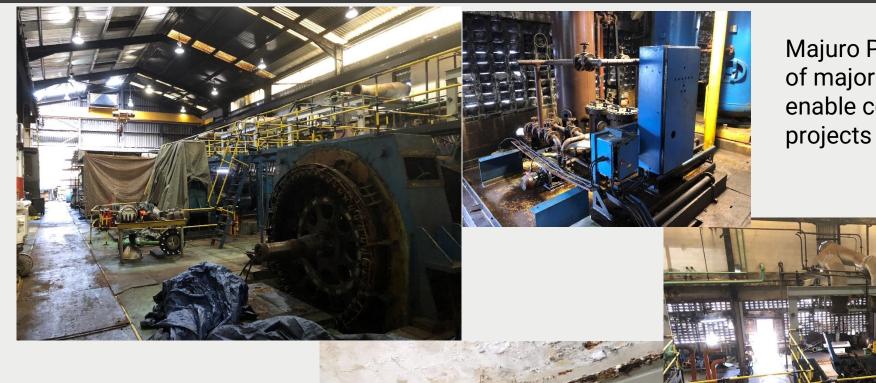
#### **Lesson1 – Project coordination**



- Multiple energy projects simultaneously with different donors
- Coordination is critical for energy projects
- Transitioning from diesel-only to renewable energy requires careful planning and staging of work
- Poor planning will cause total blackouts
- Existing infrastructure needs to be maintained while new is being built

#### **Power station**





Majuro Power station in need of major refurbishment to enable connection of new solar projects

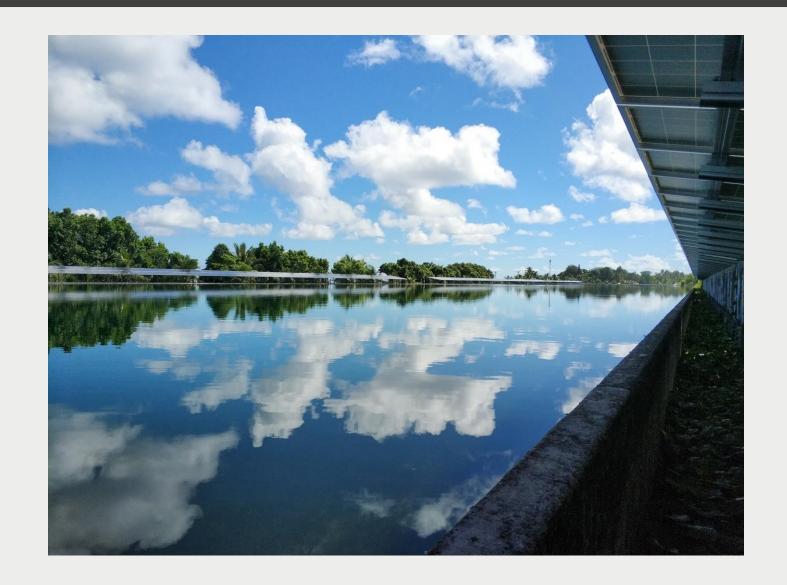
### Land?





#### **Water reservoir**





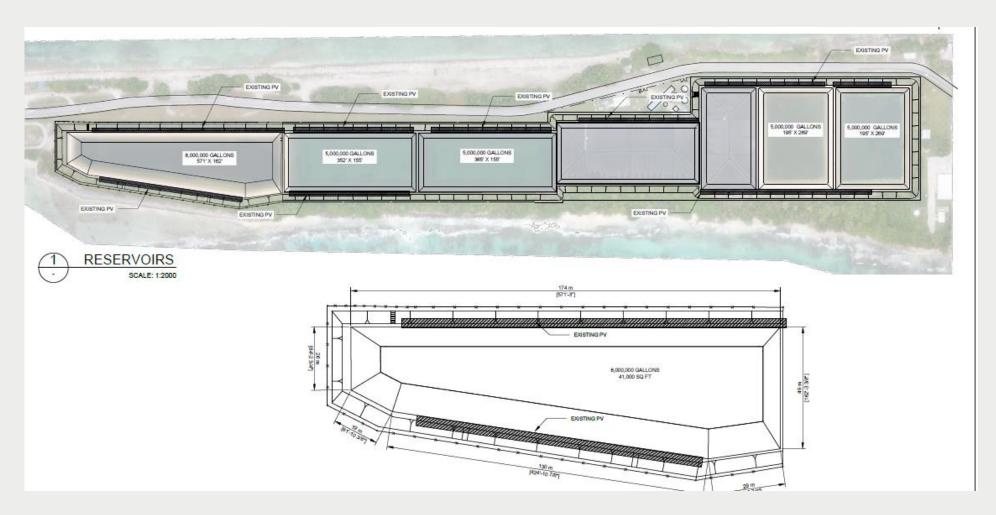
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#### **Lessons - Procurement**



- Understand WB procurement rules and processes
- For consultants requirements of TOR vs reality
- Use a procurement expert
- Consider logistics when delivering tenders
- Local knowledge and assistance
- Current process CIUs for implementation
- Be aware of slow approval process for changes

#### COVID



- Logistics!
- Changing rules for entry to countries
- Local partners
- Flexibility
- Project delays
- Positive outcomes changes to processes and methods of work
- Increased focus on local engagement and locally driven solutions



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