

Samoa:
Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR)
Joint Mission Announcement
January 31 – February 11, 2011

1. On October 13, 2010 the PPCR Sub-committee approved US\$500,000 in financing to support the implementation of Phase 1 activities under the **PPCR** for Samoa. A technical mission visited Samoa in December 2010 to carry out consultations with national stakeholders and development partners focused on the implementation arrangements for Phase 1 and the composition of the Strategic Program for Climate Resilience (SPCR). Given the significant amount of analytical work on climate change impacts previously undertaken in Samoa, preparation of the Strategic Program for Samoa began during the technical mission. Since then a series of consultations with stakeholders has been held leading to preparation of a first draft report. A Joint Mission to be led by the Government is now planned for January 31 to February 11, 2011 to assist in completing the preparation of the SPCR.

2. The overall objective of the mission is to assist national stakeholders in the preparation of Samoa's Strategic Program for Climate Resilience. The mission, to be led by the Ministry of Finance, would include representatives from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, the World Bank, Asian Development Bank and AusAid. Other development partners are also invited to participate. The mission will have the following specific objectives:

- a. Review with national stakeholders, including civil society and private sector representatives and development partners the draft SPCR proposals;
- b. Review the proposed investment activities to be included in the SPCR, namely (i) climate resilient roads infrastructure; (ii) implementation of Coastal Infrastructure Management Plans; (iii) Ecosystem based adaptation in coastal areas; (iv) civil society platform for participation in climate change adaptation;
- c. Discuss with development partners the potential for co-financing and/or other linkages of programs they are supporting with activities to be included in the SPCR
- d. In consultation with national stakeholders prepare the draft final SPCR proposals for final review by the Government of Samoa.