


## Global and Regional Advocacy

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## Presentation Contents


- 4<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum - 2005 Mexico
- 1<sup>st</sup> Asia Pacific Water Summit – 2007 Japan
- EU IWRM Meeting and Pacific HYCOS Meeting - Niue July 2008
- 39<sup>th</sup> Pacific Island Leaders Forum - August 2008 Niue

## 4<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum 16-22 March 2006, Mexico

- Pacific Region Preparation through Pacific Consultation in Samoa 2005 and Position Paper by Latu Kupa / Alf Simpson (facilitators)
- Pacific participation by PNG, SA, FJ, FP
- Main Outcome: Establishment of the Asia Pacific Water Forum and preparation for Asia Pacific Water Summit 2007




## 1<sup>st</sup> Asia Pacific Water Summit – Dec 2007



- Pacific Leaders attending the Summit: FSM, KI, TV, RMI, NR, NU, PA
- Pacific Ministers attending: PNG, FJ, CK, SA
- Pacific Water and Climate Side Session – panelists included Honourable President of Kiribati, Honourable Minister Works Samoa, Executive Director PWA, Director ISDR, Director ICHARM
- Session Facilitated by Director SOPAC with a focus on small island countries

## Message from Beppu




- We, the leaders of the Asia-Pacific... do hereby agree to:
- Reduce by half the number of people who do not have access to safe drinking water and who do not have access to basic sanitation.
- Take urgent and effective action to prevent and reduce the risks of flood, drought and other water-related disasters and to bring timely relief and assistance to their victims.
- Support the region's vulnerable small island states in their efforts to protect lives and livelihoods from the impacts of climate change.
- Empower a high-level coordinating mechanism in our cabinets ... to ensure that all issues related to water and sanitation would be dealt with in a holistic manner.

## 1st Asia-Pacific Water Summit


Water Security: Leadership and Commitment

Beppu, Japan  
3rd & 4th December 2007



Hon Young Vivian at the 1<sup>st</sup> Asia Pacific Water Summit, Japan Dec 2007

This prestigious volume consists of the proceedings of the 1st ever Water Summit to be convened in the world. Under the theme, *Water Security: Leadership and Commitment*, the 1st Asia-Pacific Water Summit (1st APWS) convened political leaders of the region and high level dignitaries in December 2007 in Beppu City, Oita Prefecture in Japan, offering them a platform to make commitments and launch initiatives to tackle the water challenges.



### Pacific IWRM and HYCOS Meeting – July 08 Niue

- Participation of the Niue Prime Minister to the 1<sup>st</sup> Asia Pacific Summit provided a strong commitment for Niue to host the above meeting under the theme “Water is everybody business”
- Also as a lead up to the 39<sup>th</sup> Pacific island Leaders forum in August 2008 in Niue linked to the theme of Climate Change

### Government of Niue commitment to Water Management

- Review of Water resource act 1998 and replace with Water Resource Bill 2008
- Demonstration of:
  - Water Demand Management
  - Water Quality Capacity Building
  - HYCOS implementation
  - Water Safety Planning
  - Groundwater assessment and monitoring
  - IWRM Demo & IWRM planning

### 39<sup>th</sup> Pacific Leaders Forum Meeting –Aug 2008 Niue

- A propose Water and Climate Side Session meeting during the forum meeting in Niue was cancelled due to tight schedule.
- Also some leaders who attended the 1<sup>st</sup> Water Summit were replaced, e.g. Niue etc.
- Leaders commitments to water and sanitation is very critical in managing our water resources.

### Where from here?

- Pacific Water Association and Partnership meeting in Apia, Samoa - This week
- 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum 2009 – Istanbul (next presenter)
- Asia Pacific Water Summit hosted by Singapore 2010 (next presenter)

Faafetai lava!!!



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**Niue**  
...every drop counts...