

# Annual Network Meeting for the Pacific Transparency Network: achievements and plans for 2025

## Brief overview of transparency network

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# CBIT-GSP: project information

## Main Project Information

Project duration: 2022-2026

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## Merging and Continuation of Previous Transparency Programmes

CBIT CAPACITY-BUILDING INITIATIVE FOR TRANSPARENCY  
GLOBAL COORDINATION PLATFORM



GLOBAL SUPPORT PROGRAMME



## CBIT-GSP Objectives

Support developing countries **in the transition to the Enhanced Transparency Framework**

Provide the global transparency community with a **one-stop shop for transparency** (Online Platform)

Help countries with **mainstreaming gender considerations** in climate transparency

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The first BTRs are in!  
CBIT-GSP supported 46 countries in their BTR submission

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# Brief overview of CBIT-GSP

- The Transparency Networks are organised by region and/or language, and two of the Transparency Networks - the Lusophone Cluster and Francophone Network – are implemented through UNDP's Climate Promise Initiative, with funding from the Belgium government.
- The main support modality of the project is its ten Transparency Networks, covering all developing countries around the globe, through which key support is provided to countries in the respective networks.
- The CBIT-GSP project also offers various other tailored support to countries, such as the [quality review of country's transparency reports](#), trainings on specific topics (e.g., IPCC software), the provision of a dedicated gender toolkit (forthcoming), webinars, knowledge products and global meetings where all countries and support providers come together.

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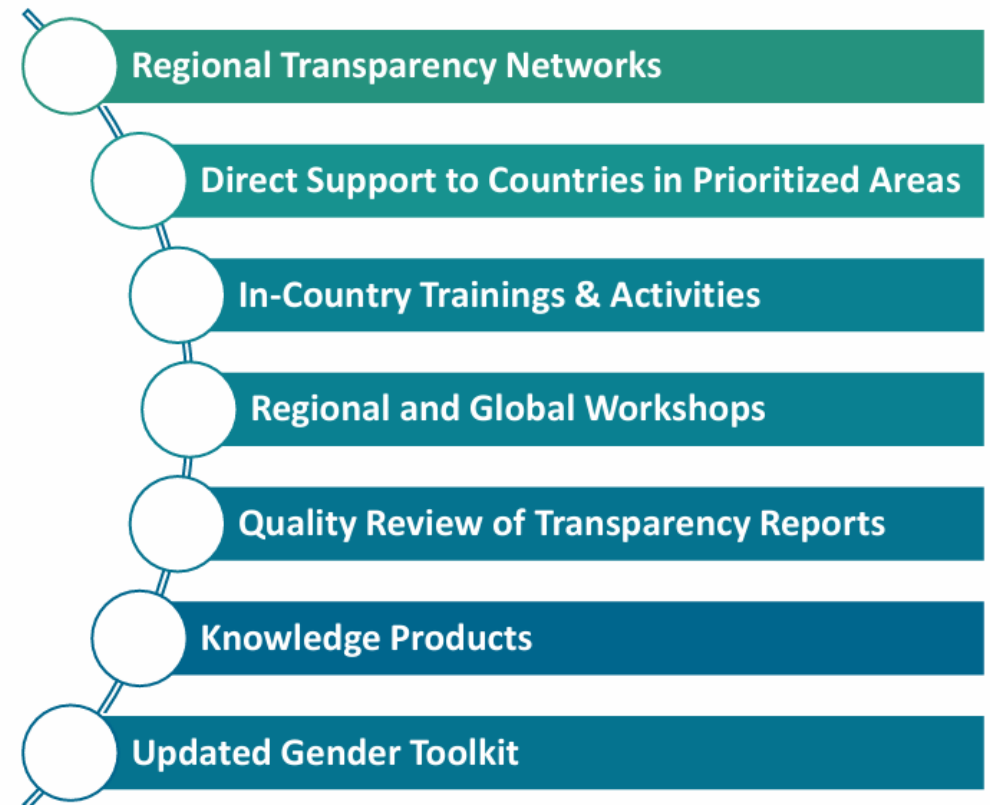


# CBIT-GSP: support modalities and areas of support

## Main Areas of Support

Accelerate submission of the last BURs	Support the transition to the BTR
Support sustainable institutional arrangements	Identification/dissemination of best practices
Foster regional and South-South exchange	Support in prioritised areas by the countries

## Main Mediums of Support



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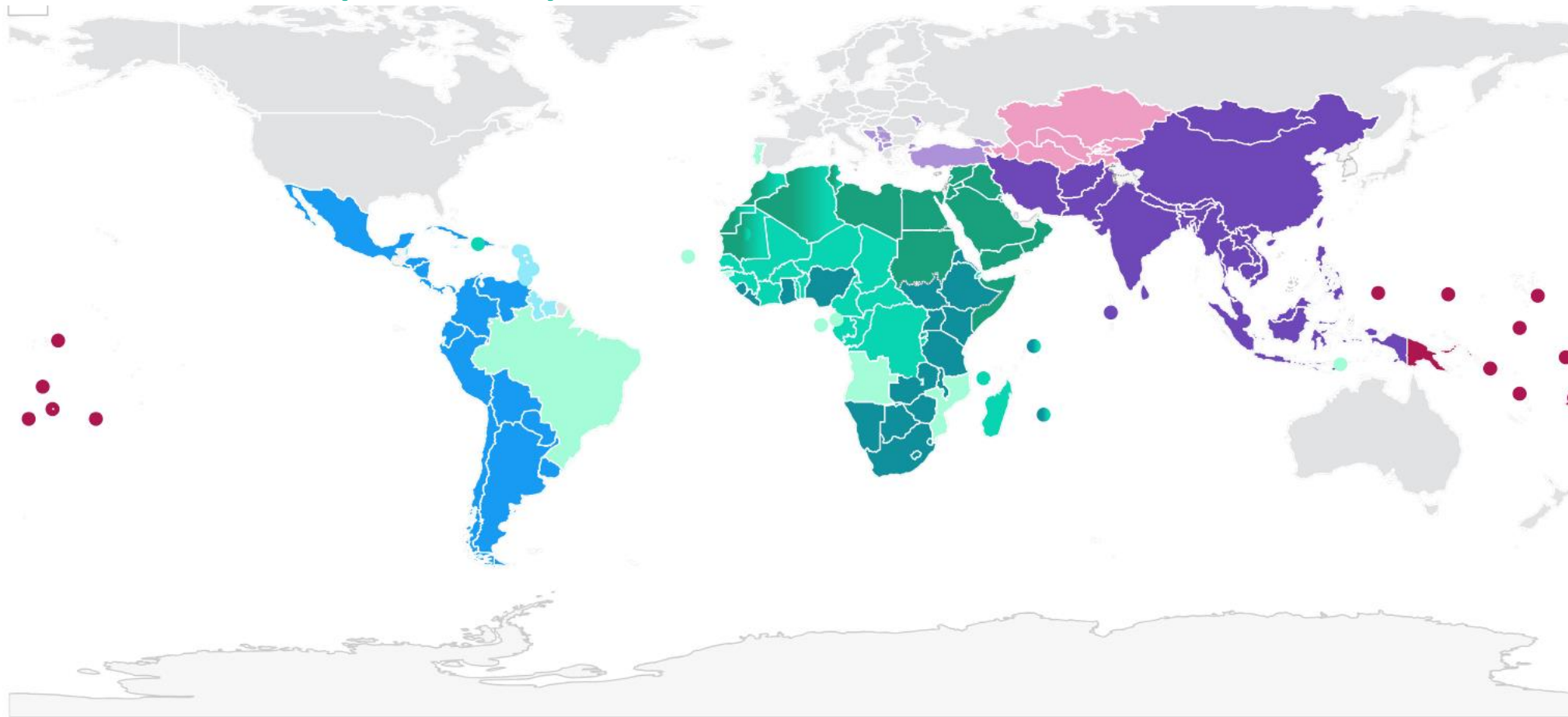


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# CBIT-GSP: transparency networks



- Anglophone Africa
- Anglophone Caribbean
- Asia
- Central Asia and Caucasus
- Eurasia
- Francophone
- Lusophone Cluster
- Middle East and North Africa
- Pacific
- Spanish speaking Latin America and the Caribbean

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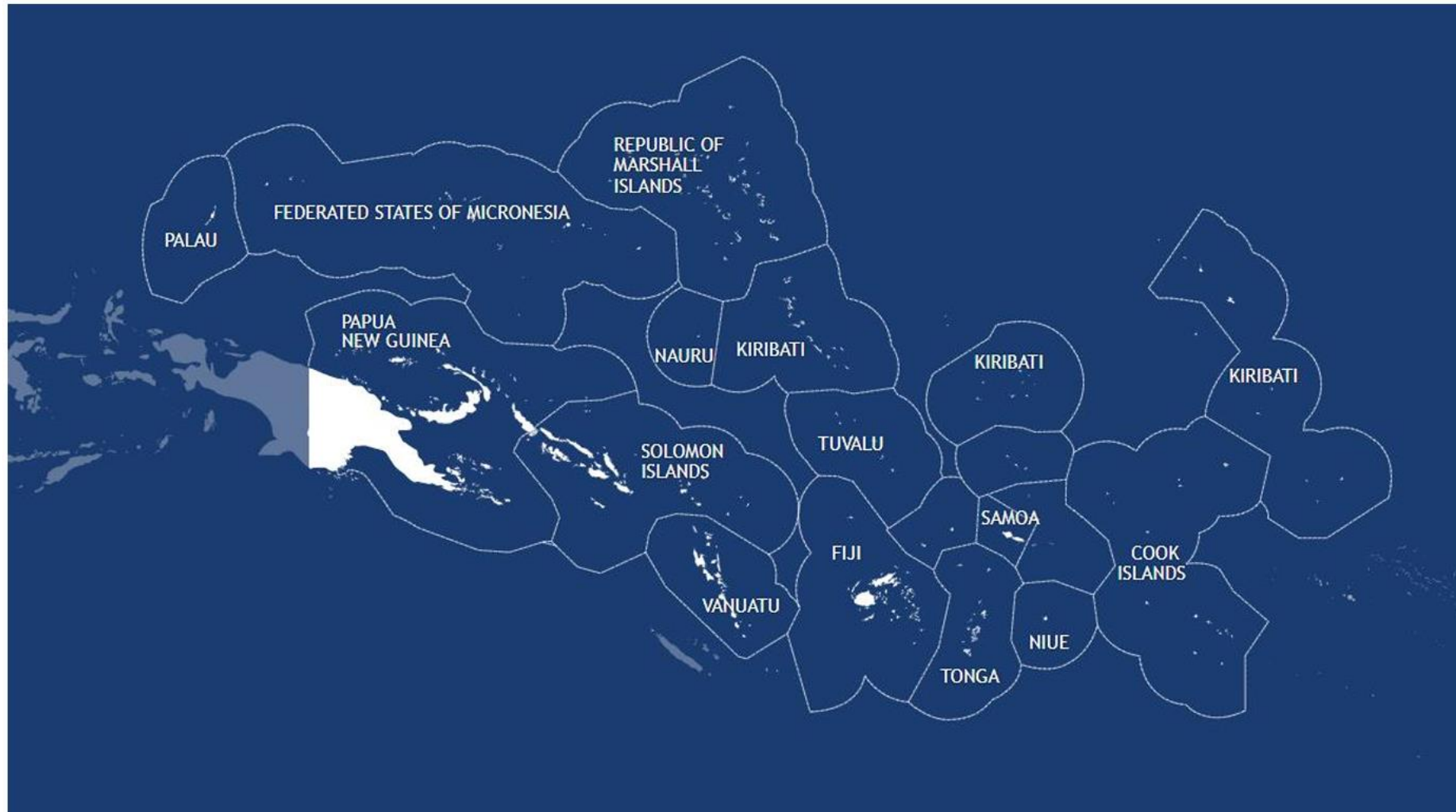
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# Pacific Islands Countries (PICs) in the Pacific Ocean



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# PICs – contexts

Pacific Sub-region	Country	Land Area (sq. km)*	Sea Area/ EEZ (sq. km)*	Island Type*	Popula-tion*	GDP in 2019 (US\$ bil-lions)**	GDP per Capita in 2019 (current US\$)***	Carbon dioxide Emissions (kilotonnes in 2016)****	Carbon dioxide Emissions (metric tonnes per Capita in 2016)***	Total Green-house Gas Emissions (kilotonnes of CO2e); 2012 or most recent year***	% of electricity generat-ed using renewables; 2018 or most recent year****
Melanesia	Fiji	18,272	1,290,000	High island with a few minor atolls	894,961	5.5	6,175.9	2,046.2	2.3	2,258.0	60%
	Papua New Guinea	462,840	3,120,000	High island with a few small atolls	8,934,475	25.0	2,829.2	5,078.8	0.9	11087 (2016)	62%
	Solomon Islands	28,370	1,340,000	High island with a few atolls	712,071	1.4	2,373.6	183.4	0.3	4,591.0	10%
	Vanuatu	12,190	680,000	High island with a few small atolls	294,688	0.9	3,115.4	113.7	0.5	446.0	6%
Micronesia	Federated States of Micronesia	701	2,980,000	High islands & atolls	105,503	0.4	3568.3 (2018)	124.7	1.3	58 (1996)	5%
	Kiribati	811	3,550,000	Predominantly atolls	118,744	0.2	1,655.1	66.0	0.6	53 (2009)	17%
	Nauru	21	320,000	Raised coral island	11,690	0.1	9,397.0	40.3	3.7	19 (2000)	2%
	Palau	444	629,000	High islands & atolls	17,930	0.3	14,902.0	216.4	12.6	248(2005)	2%
Polynesia	Republic of the Marshall Islands	181	2,131,000	Atolls	54,590	0.2	3788.2 (2018)	135.7	2.5	5 (1989)	2%
	Cook Islands	237	1,830,000	High islands & atolls	17,434	0.4	24,913.0	60.0	4.0	73(2014)	26%
	Niue	259	390,000	Raised coral Atoll	1,562	0	18,757	5	1	11.45 (2009)	0
	Samoa	2,935	120,000	High islands	198,646	0.9	4,324.0	198.0	1.3	356.0	42%
	Tonga	650	700,000	High island with a few small atolls	99,780	0.5	4,903.2	106.3	1.3	155 (2011)	10%
	Tuvalu	26	900,000	Atolls	10,580	0.1	4,059.0	11.0	1.0	5.0	23%

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# Status of climate reporting in the Pacific

Country	BTR Status	NDC Status	NC Status	BUR Status
<b>Melanesia</b>				
<b>Fiji</b>	Plan in Jun 2025	NDC 2019 (NDC3.0 in 2025)	NC3 2020	BUR1 2024 (to be submitted)
<b>Papua New Guines</b>	Plan in Jun 2025	NDC 2020 (NDC 3.0 in 2025)	NC2 2015	BUR2 2022
<b>Solomon Islands</b>	Plan in Dec 2024	Updated NDC 2021	NC3 2024	BUR1 under review 2024
<b>Vanuatu</b>	Draft, reviewed Dec 2024	NDC 2022 (NDC 3.0 in 2025)	NC3 2021	BUR1 2021
<b>Micronesia</b>				
<b>FSM</b>	Plan by Dec 2024	Updated NDC 2022	NC3 2023 (BUR1 2023)	BUR1 2023 (with NC3 2023)
<b>Kiribati</b>	Planning	NDC 2023	NC2 2013	
<b>Nauru</b>	Initial consideration	Updated NDC 2021	Draft NC3 Dec 2024	
<b>Palau</b>	Plan by Dec 2024	Draft Updated NDC 2024	NC2 2019	
<b>RMI</b>		NDC 2018	NC2 2015	
<b>Polynesia</b>				
<b>Cook Islands</b>	Plan by Dec 2024	Draft NDC 2022	NC3 2020 BTR with NC4	
<b>Niue</b>		Updated NDC 2024	NC2 2016	
<b>Samoa</b>	Initial consideration	NDC 3.0 in 2025	NC2 2010	BUR1 2024
<b>Tonga</b>	Initial consideration	NDC 3.0 in 2025	NC3 2020	
<b>Tuvalu</b>	Draft BTR, under review	Updated NDC 2023	NC2 2018	

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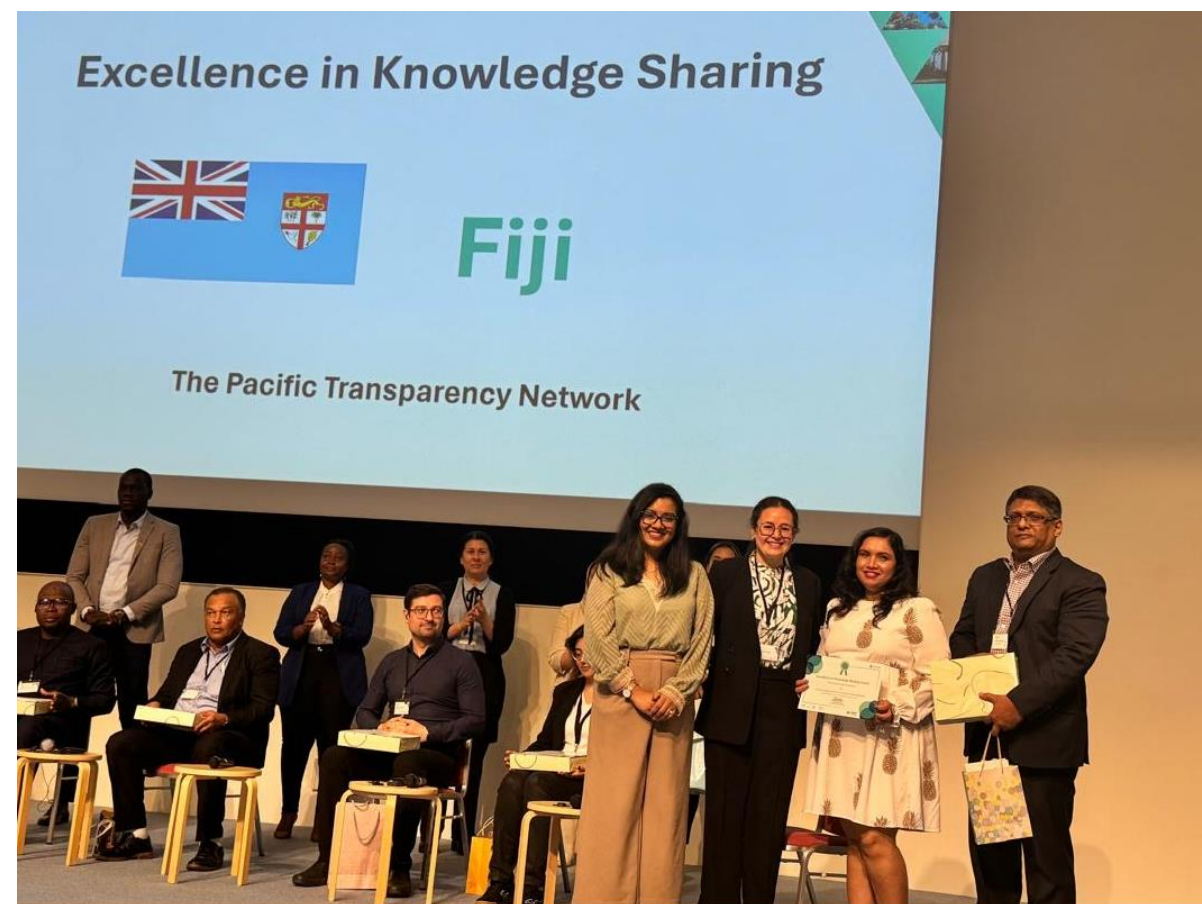
# CBIT-GSP – activities in 2024

A total of five in-country supports have been delivered in 2024.

- Papua New Guinea – 2
- Solomon Islands – 1
- Samoa – 1
- Cook Islands – 1

No Regional Events were delivered during 2024.

**Global Event:** Global Transparency Forum May 2024 (Tokyo, Japan) (11 PICs joined the Global Forum and Training)



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# CBIT-GSP: in-country activity in Samoa

Building Capacity of Waste Sector Stakeholders in GHG inventories and mitigation.

The workshop focused on waste sector stakeholders on building their awareness of waste information. The workshop assisted stakeholders in understanding on waste sector GHG estimation and how this could assist Samoa in transparently reporting on GHG emissions.



One word to describe the training

13 responses

helpful  
interesting  
technical  
informative  
critical long good data  
waste useful  
interactive

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# CBIT-GSP: in-country activity in PNG

Development of a comprehensive GHG emission inventory framework to support first BTR submission. The workshop focused on PNG's policy makers as they started the journey to prepare NDC 3.0. Stakeholders received awareness and hands-on training on ETF tools.



The screenshot shows the event page for the 'First National Training of Trainers Seminar on Development of a Papua New Guinea Comprehensive Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory Framework to Support the First BTR Submission'. The event is scheduled for 07 to 11 Oct 2024 in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. It is by invitation only. The page includes buttons for 'ADD TO CALENDAR', 'DOWNLOAD ICS', and 'REGISTER NOW'. The main image features a collage of photos: a tropical beach, people planting a tree, and a group of people on a beach. The footer contains logos for ESCAP, NDC PARTNERSHIP, REGIONAL PACIFIC NDC HUB, CBIT-GSP CLIMATE TRANSPARENCY, UN environment programme, copenhagen climate centre, gef, and CCDA/PNG.

[https://www.unescap.org/events/2024/PNG\\_1stToT\\_BTR](https://www.unescap.org/events/2024/PNG_1stToT_BTR)

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# CBIT-GSP: in-country activity in the Cook Islands

Training on Transparency Requirements under the Paris Agreement and BTR preparation. The training workshop focused on Cook Islands stakeholders who are responsible for preparing GHG inventory. The coordinating agency shared IPCC Software with participants and Cook Islands journey to work on Tier 2 approach in selected sector.



CITV Local News-Friday 23rd August 2024 Climate Change Cook Islands held a training workshop with various government agencies and some...

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# CBIT-GSP: partnership and collaboration



## Samoa in-country workshop:

- SPREP (South Pacific Regional Environmental Program) delivered a presentation on the waste sector.
- UNDP (through TNC project) to deliver in-country workshop in Samoa by delivering findings from TNC and facilitating venues and local logistical support.
- GIR (Greenhouse Gas Inventory Research Centre) Korea – delivered a technical presentation during the workshop.

## Papua New Guinea in-country workshop:

- UNESCAP – lead the workshop coordination and delivered keynote.
- IPCC – lead hands-on training focusing on waste, IPPU and energy sectors on IPCC software.
- Global Research Alliance (GRA), New Zealand – delivered technical sessions on agriculture and hands-on training on IPCC software covering agriculture sector.
- Regional Pacific NDC Hub – delivered technical session on NDC support.
- RCC-UNFCCC – delivered technical session on NDC3.0

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# CBIT-GSP: lessons learned

Transparency remains core to the Paris Agreement. Parties need to continue building trust on transparent reporting in NDC actions and implementations, FTC (finance, technology transfer and capacity building)

- Understanding the stakeholders – ‘political buy-in’, ‘blessings from the government’ – country driven bottom-up approach
- In-country logistical support and local expenses (venue, catering, local transport etc.)
- Taking stock on current activities
- Stakeholders’ availability and planning
- Inclusiveness – gender, youth and community
- Guidance from the Coordinating Agency
- Collaboration with development partners
- Background materials for technical presentations
- Technological challenge
- Challenges with online sessions
- Effectiveness of face-to-face learning (acknowledging traditional custom and knowledge)

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# CBIT-GSP: challenges and opportunities

## Challenges

- Overall awareness of reporting requirements under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement
- Changes in priorities
- Multiple development partners with diverse portfolios
- Tangible or concrete outcome
- Absorption capacity (in the context of each PICs, considering socio-economy and government settings)

## Opportunities

- First-of-its-kind
- Multi-party platform
- Building future transparency workforce

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# Interventions from the Pacific Islands Countries



## Guiding questions (5 mins per country)

1. In what ways does CBIT-GSP support enhance awareness on transparency?
2. What are the main lessons learned from the support activities in 2024?
3. What are the areas for improvement for CBIT-GSP's support in 2025?

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# Thank you for your attention

Please reach out to us for any question,  
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