

NATIONAL PRE COP-28 PANEL

Theme: Climate Change Resilience: Perspectives from Communities and Project Implementers

Moderator: Ms. Lealaisalanoa Frances Brown Reupena
(Chief Executive Officer – Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment)

Synopsis:

The latest science from the IPCC AR6 Synthesis Report has confirmed that we are off track to meet the goals set under Paris. COP28 must take steps that meet the urgency of the challenge and embrace the opportunities for growth and prosperity that underly climate action while supporting the achievement of broader sustainable development. Considering these issues, this panel primarily focuses in providing the current national and groups positions and by thematic areas (Mitigation, Adaptation, Loss and Damage, Gender, Agriculture, Climate Finance) and unlocking some of the key asks by parties for COP28; Provide the platform to submit recommendations to develop Samoa's position for the upcoming COP; Provide the National delegation with the platform to analyse progress in global climate discussions since COP27, including the decisions and outcomes from the June SB58 inter-sessional meetings, and to consider priority outcomes and strategies for delivering them, leading up to, and during COP28.



Lealaisalanoa Frances Brown Reupena
MNRE CEO – Panel Moderator



Keyonce Lee Hang
Ministry of Agriculture - Koronivia



Justin Lima
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Loss and Damage



Afaese Dr. Luteru Tauvale
MNRE - Research and Systematic Observations



Vainalepa Toiata Uili
MNRE - Mitigation



Rosalina Ah Sue
Ministry of Women Community and Social Development - Gender



Galumalemana Anne Rasmussen
Lead Negotiator for Climate Change



PRE COP-28 NATIONAL DIALOGUE

Thursday 09th November 2023

Event 1:	
Pre COP-28 National Dialogue	
Venue: Taumeasina Island Resort	
8.30am	Registration
9.00am	Welcome and Prayer Lealaisalanoa Frances Brown Reupena - CEO MNRE Keynote Remarks Hon. Toeolesulusulu Cedric Pose Salesa Schuster – Minister for Natural Resources and Environment
9.15am	Official Group Photo & Morning Tea
9.30am	Video Feature – Climate Impacts
9.45am	Climate Action Panels Youth and Children Panel: Young Climate Advocates, Perspective from current and emerging leaders. Community and Civil Societies Panel: Climate Change Resilience, Perspectives from communities and project implementers.
11.00am	National Pre COP-28 Panel and
12.30pm	COP 28 Priorities Galumalemana Anne Rasmussen – AOSIS Climate Change Lead Negotiator
1.00pm	Closing Remarks and Lunch

CLIMATE ACTION : PANEL I

Children and Youth Panel: Young Climate Advocates

Theme: Young Climate Advocates: Perspectives from current and emerging leaders

Moderator: Ms. Moemoana Safa'ato'a Schwenke
(Miss Samoa 2023-2024)

Synopsis:

Our children and youth are our emerging and current young leaders. The global call for action on climate change is often framed around conserving our environment from climate change impacts for our future generations. This panel discussion aims to capture the unique perspective of our children and youth and what they understand climate change and its impacts are. Understanding their viewpoint and also their experiences of the impacts of climate change at a young age, will shape their values, future response and decisions. Our panel members represent children and youth aged 7 to 25 from schools and community youth groups conducting climate change projects as well as Youth who have had the opportunity to represent Samoa on the global conferences and platforms. This discussion will share light on what our future leaders think and want for climate action.



Moemoana Schwenke
Miss Samoa – Panel Moderator



Marinda Leiataua
Youth Climate Advocate



Pesamino Asalemo
Fusi Saolua'fata Youth



Matalena Kaioneta Kitiona
National University of Samoa



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St Peter Chanel Primary School



Muriel Vitale
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CLIMATE ACTION : PANEL 2

Community and Societies Panel

Theme: Climate Change Resilience: Perspectives from Communities and Project Implementers

Moderator: Ms. Vanda Faasoa-Chan Ting
(Technical Advisor-Pacific NDC Hub, SPREP)

Synopsis:

Building community resilience is a focus of many climate change initiatives. This panel explores the perspectives from NGO's and Civil societies as well as community members on the effectiveness of some of the community-based projects and how these projects have contributed to building grassroots resilience. The panelists are represented by members of community project implementers namely Small Grants Program of UNDP and the Civil Society Support Program of the Government of Samoa and representatives of recipients of projects from SGP and CSSP and the Samoa Conservation Society.



Vanda Faasoa-Chan Ting
SPREP Technical Adviser NDC Hub
Panel Moderator



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