

ECD OFFICIAL CALENDAR of EVENTS for January – December 2019



Updated as of 31st November 2019



[Includes Events that start within the period: 01 Jan to 31 Dec]

Dates	Event	Location	Contact / Nominated Staff
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JANUARY

01	Public Holiday – New Year		
20 – 27	ECD Integrated Trip to Marakei	Marakei Island	Eritina Benete
21 - 31	POPS NIPS In-Country Mission	Tarawa Kiribati	CWMU Team
23 - 24	POPS NIPS Inception Workshop	Tarawa Kiribati	CWMU Team
23 - 25	3 rd Forum of Environment Ministers for Asia-Pacific	Singapore	HM/Taouea Reiher
24 - 30	UNCCD CRIC-17 Meeting	Georgetown Guyana	Putu Tofinga
TBC	Consultation with Banaba Island Council on MPA	Banaba Island	BCU Team

FEBRUARY

01 – 15	Mercury Initial Assessment In-Country Training	Tarawa, Kiribati	CWMU Team
02	World Wetlands Day	International	EOU Team
07	ADB Mission to Kiribati – Meeting with Environment and Conservation Division	ECD Office, Tarawa	ECD Management
18 – 22	Second Ozone Action Global Inter-Regional and Parallel Networks Meeting & Workshop	Paris, France	Mika Bitu/MISE rep
19 – 21/03	Waigani and Basel STAC-7, SCPRC-6 & Fifth GEF-PAS uPOPs PSC meeting	Nadi, Fiji	DDECD/Taulehia

19 – 21/03	GEF-7 Island Chemicals Program Regional Consultation	Nadi, Fiji	DDECD/Taulehia
21	CBD 6 National Report Inception Workshop	Tarawa, Kiribati	Kabure Takaria
27	POPs NIP Draft Review Workshop	Tarawa, Kiribati	CWMU Team
27 – 01/03	LDCF Training on Communications Level 2 & Communication Strategy Finalization	Tarawa, Kiribati	LDCF PMU
2 – 14/03	CEFAS In-Country Visit on Blue Carbon – Water Quality Sampling and Training	Tarawa, Kiribati	Eritina Benete

MARCH

03	World Day of Wildlife	International	EOU
03 – 06	LDCF Outer Island Visit for Development of Project Success Stories	Abemama, Kiribati	LDCF PMU
04 – 05	NBSAP Terminal Evaluation	Tarawa, Kiribati	BCU Team
08	Public Holiday – Women's Day		
04 - 06	Asia-Pacific Regional High Level 3R Forum	Bangkok, Thailand	Secretary
04 – 08	UN Environment Assembly Open-ended Meeting of Permanent Representatives	Nairobi, Kenya	HM/Taouea Reiher
04 - 08	Asia-Pacific Regional Basel Rotterdam Stockholm (BRS) Pre-COP Consultation	China	DS/Taulehia Pulefou
11 – 15	UN Environment Assembly	Nairobi, Kenya	HM/Taouea Reiher
13 – 15	Consultation on the Establishment of the Marine Protected Area	Banaba Island	Kabure Takaria
22	World Water Day	International	EOU
24	Earth Hour	International	EOU
25 – 01/04	SPREP Scoping Mission – SOE, KIEP Review, Informed Project	Tarawa Kiribati	ECD Management
26 – 28	SPREP National EIA Training	Tarawa Kiribati	Putu Tofinga

APRIL

02 - 04	3rd Open Ended Working Group Meeting of the SAICM	Montevideo, Uruguay	TBA
02 – 04	IUCN Red List of Ecosystems Training Workshop	Suva, Fiji	Kabure Takaria
08	Public Holiday – National Health Day		

08 - 11	Inform portal training for administrators	Apia, Samoa	EISO
09 – 12	In-Country Visit for GEF Strategic Country Cluster Evaluation	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management
19	Public Holiday – Good Friday		
22	Public Holiday – Easter Monday		
22	Earth Day	International	EOU
22-02/05	GEF7 Prioritization, 6 th NR & other Projects & Environmental Safeguard System	Kiritimati	DECD/Dr. Farran/Taarai
27 - 03/05	International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA) 2019 Conference	Brisbane, Australia	Putu Tofinga
28-05/05	CBII Outer Island Data Collection + GCCC Island Verification	Maiana, Kiribati	BCCS Team
29 - 10/05	Joint Basel Rotterdam and Stockholm COP Meeting	Geneva, Switzerland	DS/Taulehia Pulefou
<u>MAY</u>			
08-12	49 TH Session of IPCC	Tokyo, Japan	DECD
15	International Day of Climate	International	EOU
20-26	M&E Monitoring Trip	Abemama, Kiribati	LDCF Team
21 - 24	Pacific Environment Security Forum	Auckland, NZ	TBA
21-28	CBII Outer Island Data Collection + GCCC	Onotoa, Kiribati	Eritina Benete
22	International Day for Biodiversity	International	EOU
23	World Day of the Turtle	International	EOU
23	National Green House Gas Inventory Workshop	Tarawa, Kiribati	TNC Team
24-31	CB Outer Island Data Collection + GCCC	Aranuka, Kiribati	David Yeeting/Rubeaua Iannang
27 – 31	PacWaste Plus Steering Committee Meeting	Nadi, Fiji	Taulehia Pulefou
<u>JUNE</u>			
05	World Environment Day	International	EOU
08	World Oceans Day	International	EOU
17	World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	International	EOU Team

17-20	UDPNZ Ferrous Waste Removal Bidders Visit	Tarawa, Kiribati	CWMU
17-17/07	Review of Environment Information Management In Kiribati	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Staff
17-19	Ferrous Scrap Waste Site Visit	Tarawa, Kiribati	CWMU
23-30	M&E Monitoring Trip	Abemama, Kiribati	LDCF Team
24-28	Geo-Enabled Monitoring and Supervision (GEMS)	Manila, Philippines	Rubeaua Iannang
30- 07/07	M&E Monitoring Trip	Maiana, Kiribati	LDCF Team

JULY

1-5	41 st Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol	Bangkok, Thailand	Mika Bitu
9-11	Training workshop on coral reef protection and restoration	Townsville, Australia	Kabure Takaria
11-12	Public Holiday – National Day		
15-01/08	WCU Staff Training & Fanning Island Visit for Assessment on the Sunken Barge Wreck	Kiritimati, Kiribati	Dr. Farran Redfern
15	ISP trip to Nonouti	Nonouti, Kiribati	TBC
15-25	Island Strategic Plan Formulation	Nonouti, Kiribati	LDCF Team
15-15/08	EMIS National Consultation – Yaya Sirima	Tarawa, Kiribati	CBII/ECD Team
16-19	Appraisal and adaptation options training workshop	Solomon Islands	Eritina Benete
23-27	GEF Constituency Meeting	Nadi Fiji	Sec/DECD/Melad Team
23-25	Workshop on the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development	Noumea, New Caledonia	Eritina Benete
26-7/08	4 th Regional Project Steering Committee Meeting for R2R	Nadi, Fiji	Melad Secretary/Putu/David
27-28	International Day for the protection of Mangrove ecosystem	International	EOU
29-09/09	Environment Sustainable Development Training	Taipei, Taiwan	Whaykhaan Yeeting

AUGUST

12-22	World Bank and Asian Development Bank Joint Mission	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD
12-17	PIC Thematic Workshop of Ozone Officers & Twinning Workshop with Customs Officers	Koror, Palau	Putu/Mika
19-22	Regional Inform Project Meeting	Apia, Samoa	DD/EISO/Dr. Martin

19-30	UN Negotiation on the New Treaty on BBNJ	New York, USA	Dr. Farran Redfern
26	12 th Meeting of the 11 th Maneaba ni Maungatabu	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management/SEOs/HOUs
26-28	High Level Dialogue – Climate Change	Maldives	Teniti Aro Taam
30	10 th Meeting of the Parties to the Waigani Convention	Apia, Samoa	CWMU

SEPTEMBER

2-13	UNCCD COP4	New Delhi, India	Putu Tofinga
6	29 th SPREP Meeting on Environment Minister's High Level Talanoa	Apia, Samoa	DECD/SAS
09-19	Develop Enhancing the Resilience of the Outer Islands of Kiribati Proposal – SPREP	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management
15-19	The Central Synod (Toatan Nuka) Convention	Nonouti, Kiribati	Raitiata/Taarai/BCCS
16	International Day for the preservation of the ozone layer	International	EOU
18	International Day of Cleaning beaches	International	EOU
19-26	SPREP Mission - KIEP Review	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD/SPREP
26-30	ISME Visit	Tarawa, Kiribati	Eritina Benete
20-22	Clean Up the World Day	Tarawa, Kiribati	CWMU
21	International Coastal Clean-up Day	International	EOU
21-23	Clean-up the World Weekend	International	EOU
22-29	Monica Gruber's visit for the Kiribati Biosecurity Emergency Response Programme	Tarawa, Kiribati	DECD
27	OSSP Meeting	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management
30-03/10	UNDP/GEF National Projects Workshop	Suva, Fiji	Tererei/Bokai
TBC	Kiribati Protected Areas Data Support- Proposed Assistance Mission	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management

OCTOBER

2-26	JICA Training – Strategic Utilization of Solid Waste Management Data	Tokyo, Japan	Teema Biko
4	Public Holiday - National Teachers Day		
TBC	HPMP Enabling Activity	Christmas, Kiribati	DDECD/Mika
7-8	The Minamata Convention COP3 Preparatory meeting – Asia and the Pacific	Bangkok, Thailand	Dr. Farran Redfern

7-10	Sub-Regional Capacity Building Training	Nadi, Fiji	Madsen Kanono
3-18	The Southern Synod (Maron Maiaki) Convention	Arorae, Kiribati	EOU
7-11	Study Tour - Pig Waste Management in American Samoa - EPA	American Samoa	Taarai Teetu
14-18	MELAD Week	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD-MELAD
21-31	LDCF Project Steering Committee Meeting	Tarawa, Kiribati	LDCF Team/ECD
24-28	MIA Consultants for the National Mercury Inventory Training	Tarawa, Kiribati	Dr. Farran Redfern
28-15/11	Marine Environmental Training	Tokyo, Japan	Ata Binoka
28-01/11	GEF/FAO R2R STAR National Project Inception Workshop	Tarawa, Kiribati	David/Ricardo
28-01/11	1st PSC Meeting	Tarawa, Kiribati	David/Ricardo/CCU Team
28-01/11	ABS Nagoya Protocol Consultation	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD Management
29-05/11	Visit by SPC R2R regional team	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD team

NOVEMBER

04-08	31st Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol	Rome, Italy	Dr. Farran Redfern
05-12	R2R IW Water Quality Training	Tarawa, Kiribati	ECD team
05-08	IMPACT Pre-COP25 Pacific Preparatory Meeting	Apia, Samoa	TBC
11-15	PSC Meeting	Tarawa, Kiribati	Teema Biko
18-22	3 rd Meeting on Marine Plastic Litter and Microplastics Resolution	Bangkok, Thailand	TBC
20-22	11 th Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Article 8(j)	Montreal, Canada	DECD
25-29	The third meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (COP3)	Geneva, Switzerland	Dr. Farran Redfern
25-29	23 th Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technology Advice	Montreal, Canada	DECD
26-01/12	UNFCCC COP25 Pre-sessions	Chile, Santiago	TBC
27	National Education and Awareness Plans (NEAPs) Workshop	Fiji	TBC

DECEMBER

01-13	UNFCCC COP25	Chile, Santiago	TBC
11	Public Holiday – Human Rights and Peace Day		
8-21	The Northern Synod (Otang Meang) Convention	Nonouti, Kiribati	EOU
13	Kiribati Special Programme (SP) Project National Inception Workshop	Tarawa, Kiribati	TBC
25	Public Holiday – Christmas Day		
26	Public Holiday – Boxing Day		