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EPIC can be your asset, if you are...

Students who are planning for further education in renewable energy management;

Academics or researchers who would like to educate the next generations or discover innovative solution for the energy challenges in the Small Island Development States;

Professionals, scientists, or policy makers in the energy sector who are dedicated to renewable energy development;

Enterprises, NGOs, research centres or energy service providers who desire to widen your professional network and seek co-operation in the region;

Passionate about the development in the Pacific, especially in Fiji and Papua New Guinea.



Renewable energy in Pacific islands:

Developing Skills and Capacity

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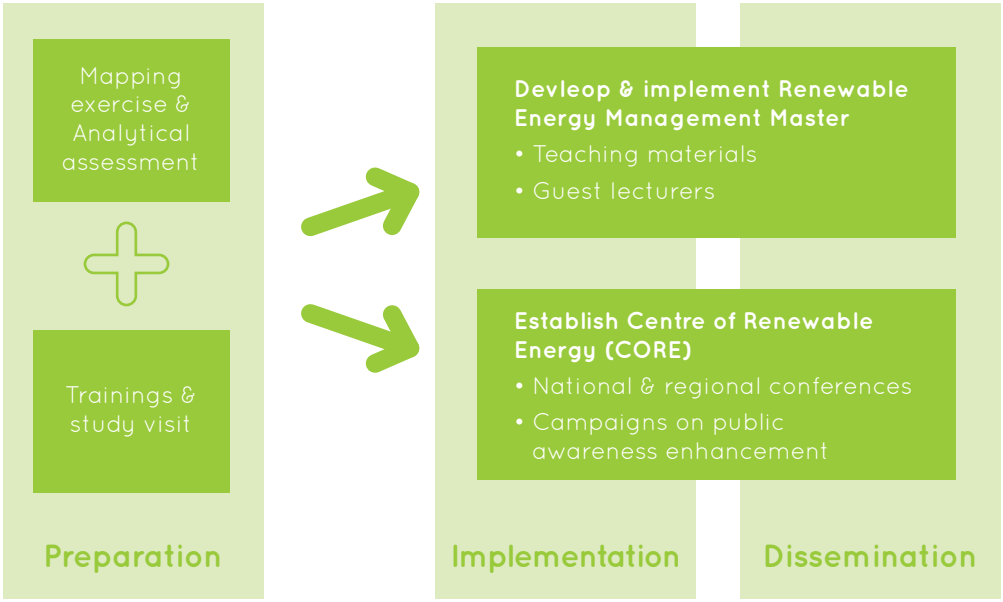
What is EPIC?

EPIC focuses on renewable energy development in the Pacific region by establishing master degrees and research centres in Fiji and Papua New Guinea (PNG). This three-year project is financed by the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP Group) under the EDULINK II programme.

The EU, by launching the Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA), desires to foster co-operation with developing countries that are vulnerable to the impact of climate change, especially Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Renewable energy is one of the major measures to reduce greenhouse gas emission and negative impacts induced by climate change.

How to achieve EPIC?





To exploit the large pool of nature resources for renewable energy in the Pacific, sufficient human capacity and co-operation mechanism are salient for its development. Therefore, EPIC adopts the endonge-nous approach and will **i)** develop and implement master programmes in Renewable Energy Management as well as **ii)** establish Centres of Renewable Energy (CORE) in the two participated universities.

The achievements of this regional focused project will benefit beyond Fiji and PNG: trained professionals and fostered co-operation in rene-wable energy in the Pacific region.



Starting with a mapping exercise to determine the relevant stakeholders for interviews and data col-lection, the findings and conclusion will become the baseline for EPIC's development. Prior to guest lectures, academics, researchers and curricula developers from both the Pacific and EU will sit in interactive workshops for discussion on the curricu-lum and teaching materials.

In parallel, CORE will be established in the universities to strengthen the collaboration ties and spur the research activities in the field at national and regional scale. The Centres will be equipped with power plant as a pilot action for research on solar energy, albeit non-exclusive. Besides research, CORE will also interact with the general public in various occasions.

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