



Country/Region/Global

Project Title: “UNPRPD Cook Islands Initiation Plan Project”

Expected UNDAF Outcomes:

Outcome 3: Sustainable and Inclusive Economic Empowerment
 People particularly youths, women, and vulnerable groups benefit from inclusive and sustainable economic development that creates decent jobs, reduces multi-dimensional poverty and inequalities, and promotes economic empowerment

Outcome 4: Equitable Basic Services – People particularly the most vulnerable have an increase equitable access to and utilization of inclusive, resilient, and quality Basic Services by 2022

Outcome 5: Governance and Community Engagement – People and Communities will benefit from inclusive, informed, and transparent, decision-making processes, accountable and responsive institutions, and improved access to justice by 2022.

Initiation Plan Start/End Dates: 01st February – 30th June 2021

Implementing Partner: UNDP Multi-Country Office Samoa

Responsible Party: Cook Islands Ministry of Internal Affairs (INTAFF)

Brief Description

The UNPRPD Cook Islands Project is a short-term project that serves to facilitate the implementation of the Inception Phase of the overall Joint Programme, following the successful shortlisting of the Programme Concept Note. The Inception Phase consists of three (3) main components, namely the (1) successful delivery of the Induction Training & Workshop, (2) the undertaking of a comprehensive situational analysis, and lastly, (3) the development and designing of the full project document outlining the programme objectives, activities, outputs, and outcomes.

Programme Period: 01st Feb – 30th June 2021

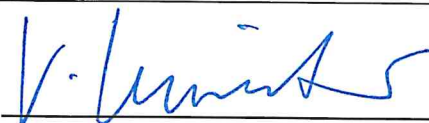
Atlas Project Number: 00133334

Atlas Output ID: 00125381

Gender Marker: 2

Total resources required	_____
Total allocated resources:	_____
• Regular	
• Other:	\$100,000
o Donor	_____
o Donor	_____
o Government	_____
Unfunded budget:	_____
In-kind Contributions	_____

Approved on behalf of UNDP:


 Verena Linneweber – Deputy Resident Representative


 Date

I. PURPOSE AND EXPECTED OUTPUT

In September 2020, the United Nations Partnerships on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Multi-Partner Trust Fund (UNPRPD-MPTF) held its Fourth (4th) Funding Call for Proposal that aims to assist countries in advancing the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (CRPD) and enhance the implementation of disability-inclusive SDGs at the country level. The Samoa UN Country Team developed a Concept Note for a Joint Programme for the Cook Islands, in consultations with the National Government with UNDP as the Technical Leading Agency and penholder. The Cook Islands was ratified under the CRPD and Optional protocol in 2009, and the Government has established and implemented initial efforts in line with the CRPD and premised on these existing efforts, the Concept Note proposed several notable priorities for a programme such as mainstreaming disability rights and CRPD-compliant inclusive development, strengthening data collection and management on PWDs and Disability Rights, economic empowerment of persons with disabilities and enhancing the access to justice for persons with disabilities in the Cook Islands. The Concept Note for the UNPRPD Cook Islands Joint Programme was successfully shortlisted to progress to the next step of the Call, which is the Inception Phase Implementation.

This Initiation Plan (IP) has one (1) main Output, and that is the successful delivery and completion of the Joint Programme Inception Phase and will be achieved through the implementation of three (3) main activities within the specified timeframes. Firstly, the Induction Training & Workshop aims to provide basic training and orientation for all Stakeholders on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and disability-inclusive SDGs, the UNPRPD Cross-Cutting Approaches, and Strategic Operational Framework, and the preconditions for disability inclusion. Secondly, the Situational Analysis aims to engage stakeholders in a broader analysis on contextual factors affecting CRPD and SDG implementation and the preconditions for disability inclusion to inform wider planning within the country and to inform planning for UNPRPD programs and ensure they are responsive to national needs, priorities, and challenges. Lastly, drawing on the learning and results of the induction workshop and situational analysis, a Full Project Document will be developed and designed outlining the Joint Programme strategy, objectives, activities, outputs, outcomes, budget, results framework, etc.

II. MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The implementation phase of this project will be through Direct Implementation Modality. Project activities will be implemented and undertaken by UNDP primarily through its Governance and Poverty Reduction Unit, under the management and guidance of the Resident Representative and Deputy Resident Representative, and quality assurance backstopping support from the UNPRPD Secretariat Team.

III. MONITORING

In accordance with the UNDP Programme and Operations Policies and Procedures, the project will be monitored through:

- Ongoing Monitoring and Quality Assurance by the Governance and Poverty Reduction Unit;
- Activation of the Issues Log on Atlas to allow for tracking and resolution of potential problems or requests for change;
- Activation of the Risk Log on Atlas to capture potential risks in the implementation of the Project;
- Activation of the Lessons-Learnt log on Atlas to ensure ongoing learning and adaptation; and
- A Project Progress Report at the end of the Project using the required standard reporting format.

IV. WORK PLAN

Period¹:

EXPECTED OUTPUTS <i>And baseline, indicators including annual targets</i>	PLANNED ACTIVITIES <i>List activity results and associated actions</i>	TIMEFRAME				RESPONSIBLE PARTY	Funding Source	PLANNED BUDGET	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			Budget Description	Amount
OUTPUT 1: Successfully deliver and complete the Inception Phase for the UNPRPD Cook Islands Joint Programme <i>Baseline</i> :	Activity 1.1. Successfully deliver the Induction Training & Workshop for the UNPRPD Cook Islands JP.					UNDP INTAFF	UNPRPD MPTF	Contractual services	\$18,000.00
								Supplies	\$3,000.00
								Grants	\$4,000.00
								Travel	\$1,037.00
					General Operating Cost	\$2,000.00			
	Activity 1.2 Undertake a comprehensive Situational Analysis to engage Stakeholders on a broader analysis on contextual factors affecting CRPD and SDG implementation and the preconditions for disability inclusion					UNDP INTAFF	UNPRPD MPTF	Contractual services	\$32,000.00
								Supplies	\$3,000.00
			X					Grants	\$5,000.00
								Travel	\$2,729.00
					General Operating Cost	\$4,000.00			
Activity 1.3 Develop a Design a Full Project Document for the UNPRPD Cook Islands Joint Programme.					UNDP INTAFF	TRAC 2 TRAC 2	Contractual services	\$15,000.00	
		X					General Operating Cost	\$3,692.00	
Indirect Project Cost (GMS – 7%)									
TOTAL									\$6,542.00
Indirect Project Cost (GMS – 7%)									\$100,000.00

¹ Maximum 4 months