



# FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PROJECT



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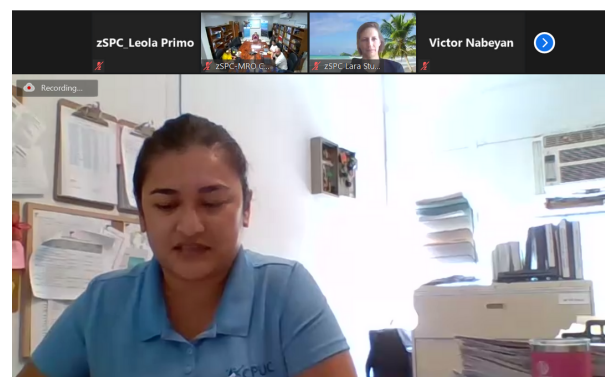
On 29 June to 01 July 2021, the EU SEAM FSM Sustainable Energy (FSM.SE) Project formally organized its National launch, held its stakeholders inception meeting and conducted its first Project Steering Committee meeting through a virtual event (Zoom meeting). It was a great honor to have His Excellency President David W. Panuelo at the National launch. H.E President David W. Panuelo wished all the implementing partners and stakeholders a successful launching and a very productive implementation of the project. "As the President of the country, I look forward to seeing the outcomes of this project when I visit the islands and see the smiles on faces when they are given access to energy and not just energy but renewable energy which is beautiful for the islands," H.E President Panuelo commented. In response to the President's comments, SPCs Deputy Director General Cameron Diver congratulated the FSM for its commitment to finding and driving long-term energy solutions that demonstrate to the rest of the world the benefit of transitioning towards more environmentally sound solutions for its people. The inception meeting was attended by representatives from the FSM National Government including the Department of Resources and Development and Department of Foreign Affairs, the European Union, the Pacific Community (SPC), state utilities, development partners, Micronesia Conservation Trust and the private sector.



The Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting was chaired by the FSM Department of Resources & Development Acting Secretary Florian J Yatilman and was attended by representatives from the state utility companies, energy working groups, the European Union, Office of Overseas Development Assistance, and SPC. The project team presented to the PSC members on the Year 1 progress and updates, Year 2 revised workplan and budget, and the project's Communications and Visibility Plan. The project team shared potential risks that may arise during the implementation of the project including Covid-19 restrictions and assured the steering committee that they are working diligently to mitigate these risks. The state utilities also had the opportunity to present updates on the implementation of their respective state Energy Master Plans. By the end of the meeting, the committee confirmed the Project Steering Committee Terms of Reference (TOR) and endorsed the FSM.SE Year 2 workplan for the period 1st July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and Project Communications and Visibility Plan.



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*FSM R&D Acting Secretary Florian J. Yatilman*



Output 4 of the project aims to provide at least 500 households access to electrification-through renewable energy in remote communities, increase engagement of women and youth in energy service activities, and increase CSO led energy initiatives through promotion of productive energy use efforts. This output also includes the rehabilitation of the Yap State Solar PV installation at Ulithi Falalop damages by Typhoon Maysak in 2015. Noted for being the state with the lowest access level at 30%, majority of the infrastructure work for Output 4 will be implemented in Chuuk.

## Chuuk:

On 25 March 2021, the FSM.SE Project team met virtually with Chuuk Public Utilities Corporation CEO Kembo Mida to share information on the FSM.SE Project and to seek guidance and support from CPUC on the project activities, particularly Output 4. CPUC also provided updates on support through other projects from the World Bank and Asian Development Bank.

On June 08, 2021, the team met with CPUC and the Chuuk Energy Working Group. The objectives of the meeting were to provide a brief overview of the project, outputs and activities, and describe Chuuk State specific activities, the project workplan and budget. The team also presented considerations for site selection which include population size, location, and safety and security.

## Yap:

On 13 April, 2021, the FSM.SE project team and FSM Department of Resources & Development virtually met with Yap State Public Service Corporation (YSPSC) to discuss Yap's infrastructure work in output 4 of the project. The meeting began with updates from YSPSC regarding proposed locations and previous work initiated by the EU EDF 10 North Rep Project. Since work in Ulithi Falalop was initiated under EU EDF 10 North Rep Project and was still under construction when Typhoon Maysak hit, YSPSC agreed that the EUR 250,000 budgeted for Yap will be used for the rehabilitation of the solar grid-tie system on Ulithi Falalop.

## Project Details

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National Project Officer



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## Upcoming Vacancies

1. Chuuk State Project Officer
2. Energy Investment Specialist



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