

Representatives from the region discuss effects of climate change

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Representatives from across the Pacific have come together at the third regional workshop on Clean Development Mechanism to exchange and deliberate on the effects of climate change.

Deputy Forest Conservator Fiji, Samu Lagataki said Fiji was once again proud to be chosen to host the workshop for the Pacific region.

"The CDM workshop is an essential forum for us in the Pacific as we work together towards fulfilling our commitment to the Kyoto protocol in mitigating the impacts of climate change," Lagataki said.

He said the program would allow countries from the Pacific region to exchange and deliberate on the effects of climate change in their countries.

"This forum provides an opportunity for stakeholders to share ideas and experience and to collaborate further," the forest conservator said.

Lagataki said since the inception of the CDM projects, regional activities were carried out to build technical capacity of national experts and consultants in CDM processes.

The workshop is the third conducted this year and Lagataki acknowledged the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Regional office and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) for funding and facilitating the four-day workshop.

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