

11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas

7 – 11 September 2026, Tjibaou Cultural Centre, Noumea, New Caledonia

Your snapshot for Day Three, 9 September 2026



Building the capacity of Cook Islands youth to protect our natural environment

“From the sea to the land” is at the core of a conservation programme in the Cook Islands that removes the crown-of-thorns starfish from its reef, transforming it into fertiliser for root crops. Kōrero o te 'Ōrau, an NGO in the Cook Islands helps empower youth strengthening the relationship between Cook Islands culture and its natural environment. Having a broad range of activities to help achieve this, one of which focusses upon protecting our coral reefs.

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One Va'a, One SPREP: Pacific unites to navigate the triple planetary crisis

With the outrigger canoe, or va'a, as its unifying symbol, the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) convened a side event this afternoon alongside the 11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation (PCNC11). Framed around the region's response to the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution, the session brought together representatives from SPREP Member countries for a panel discussion to inform future directions for SPREP and partners.



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Putting Communities at the Centre of Sustainable Nature Finance: PCNC11 Event Overview

From biodiversity credits and blended finance to conservation trust funds and community-led investment, delegates at the 11th Pacific Islands Conference for Nature Conservation and Protected Areas (PCNC11) explored how sustainable financing can help secure a future where both people and nature thrive across the Blue Pacific.

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From Biodiversity Threat to Nature-based Solution: Reframing Invasive Species Management for a Resilient Pacific

The fight against invasive alien species has traditionally been viewed as a biodiversity conservation challenge. However, participants at the 11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas (PCNC11) thematic session on invasive species discussed that the issue is far broader and more urgent.

Across the Pacific, invasive species are increasingly being recognised not only as a major driver of biodiversity loss but also as a threat to livelihoods, food security, water resources, climate resilience and sustainable development.

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Amplifying Pacific voices



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Your snapshot for Day Two, 8 September, 2026

The 11th Pacific Islands Conference for Nature Conservation is held from 7 to 11 September 2026 at the Tjibaou Cultural Centre in Noumea New Caledonia.

Bringing together over 400 delegates from across the Pacific, the conference is organised by New Caledonia, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme, and the Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation with the support of partners.

For more information please visit : <https://www.pacificislandsroundtable.com/pacific-nature-conference>

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