

Pacific Islands Standards Week – Final Summary

Acknowledgement

I would like to extend my thanks to the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment (MBIE) and Standards New Zealand for providing me with the incredible opportunity to facilitate the Pacific Islands Standards Week. The event has been a resounding success, fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange that will have a lasting impact on standards development and implementation across the Pacific region. Your unwavering support and commitment to promoting resilience and prosperity through trusted standards have been instrumental in the success of this event.

Key Mentimeter Results (refer appendices for detailed results)

During the course of the Pacific Islands Standards Week, participants were actively engaged in various presentations and discussions, and their feedback from day three onwards was collected via Mentimeter surveys. Below are the key results from the thematic sessions on Construction, Energy and Climate, as well as the reflective session on the final day.

Construction

- **Opportunities:** The adoption of standards like NZS 3910:2023, which was recently revised to improve clarity and collaboration in construction contracts, was seen as a crucial step forward. Participants also expressed a strong interest in learning from New Zealand's experiences in building consent processes.

Energy

- **Opportunities:** Aligning Pacific energy standards with international ones, particularly in renewable energy sectors, was seen as a way to accelerate progress. Participants noted the potential for significant economic benefits through improved energy efficiency and the reduction of peak electricity use.

Climate

- **Opportunities:** There was a consensus on the importance of integrating traditional knowledge with modern standards to enhance climate resilience in the Pacific. This includes the adoption of international standards tailored to local and regional contexts.

Reflective Session on the Close of Day 5

The final day of the Pacific Islands Standards Week featured a reflective session where participants shared their experiences and insights from the week. Key themes from this session included:

- **Collaboration:** Participants overwhelmingly appreciated the collaborative nature of the week, noting that the exchange of ideas and experiences across different Pacific nations and from New Zealand and Australian Standards personnel was invaluable.
- **Knowledge Sharing:** The practical workshops, particularly those on drafting standards and the off-site visit to BRANZ, were highlighted as significant learning experiences.
- **Future Directions:** There was a strong call for continued engagement and collaboration beyond the event. Participants expressed a desire for more regular updates and the establishment of a more formalised network to support ongoing standards development and implementation in the Pacific.

The week concluded with closing remarks that underscored the importance of building on the momentum generated during the event. Participants left with a renewed commitment to work together towards a more resilient and prosperous Pacific, supported by trusted and effective standards.

Appendix A: Construction NZS 3910:2023 – Mentimeter Results





What are the key challenges in adopting a standardised construction contract like NZS 3910:2023 in your country?

21 responses





Rank the following benefits of adopting NZS 3910:2023 for construction projects in your country:



What changes or adjustments are needed to make the NZS 3910:2023 standard work well in your country?



Contextualize

Translate in French

to understand it

Training

Simple and understandable terms

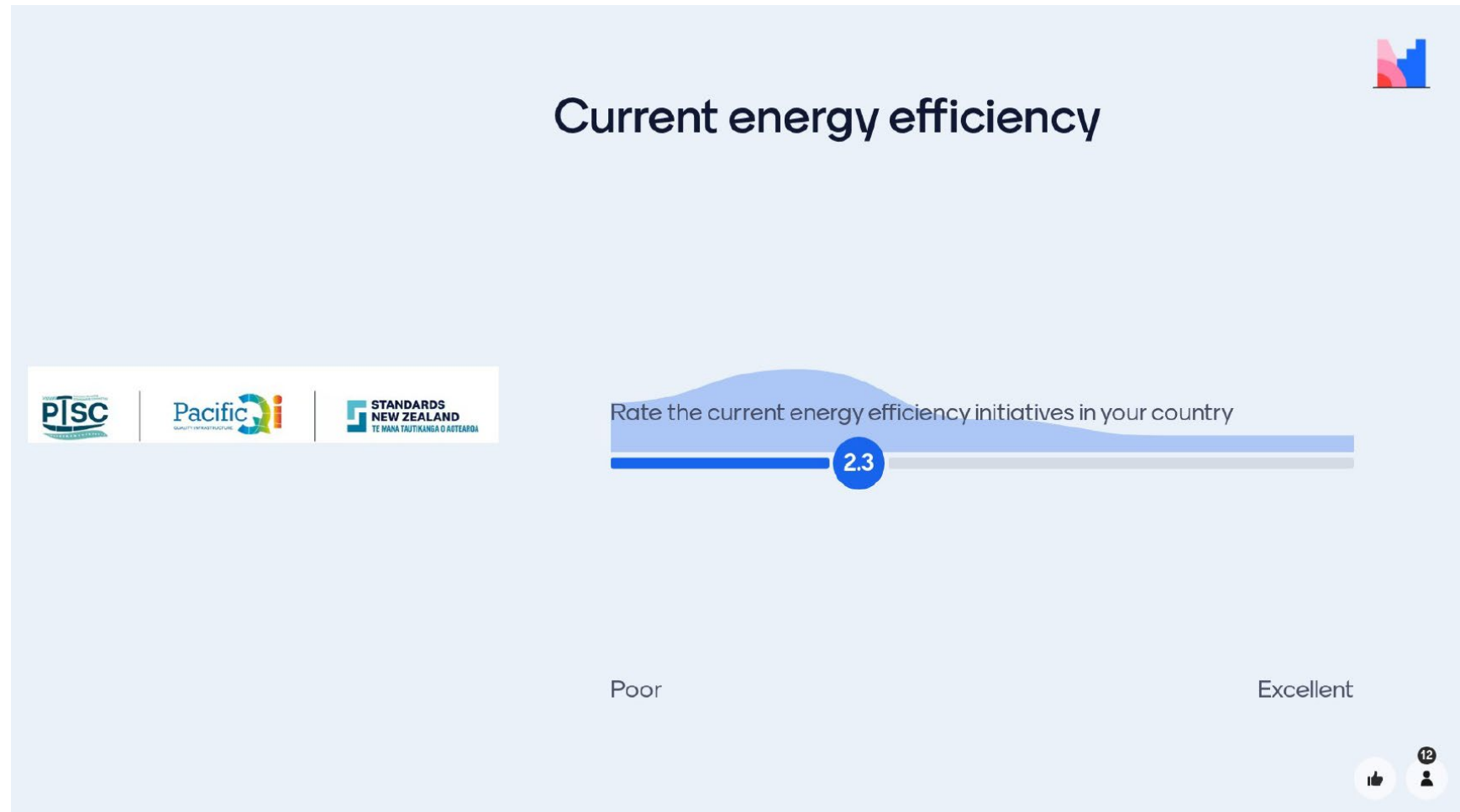
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Create a simple booklet



Appendix B: Energy – Mentimeter Results





What is the biggest challenge to improving energy efficiency in your country?

31 responses





What type of support would most help your country adopt international energy efficiency standards?

36 responses



What innovative energy efficiency technologies are emerging in your region?



Batteries	Meps	Battery storage,	Solar-powered
EV's,	solar panels	Automated house materials	EVs



What innovative energy efficiency technologies are emerging in your region?



Solar
Biogas energy

Smart meters

Solar energy
Wind mills

led lights. smart sensors.
smart meters.

Electric Car
Solar power

Window glazing

Smart watch, phones

Home energy modelling



What innovative energy efficiency technologies are emerging in your region?



energy-saving rated appliances	solar powered equipments	Evs	Pre paid meters, solar lights
Electric car	Wind Power and Solar Powered	Use of green energy, newable energy like solar energy, bioenergy	Solar parking meters Need to allow both solar and grid connection with out being charged



Appendix C: Climate – Mentimeter Results



On a scale of 1 to 5, how prepared do you feel your country is to handle the impacts of climate change?



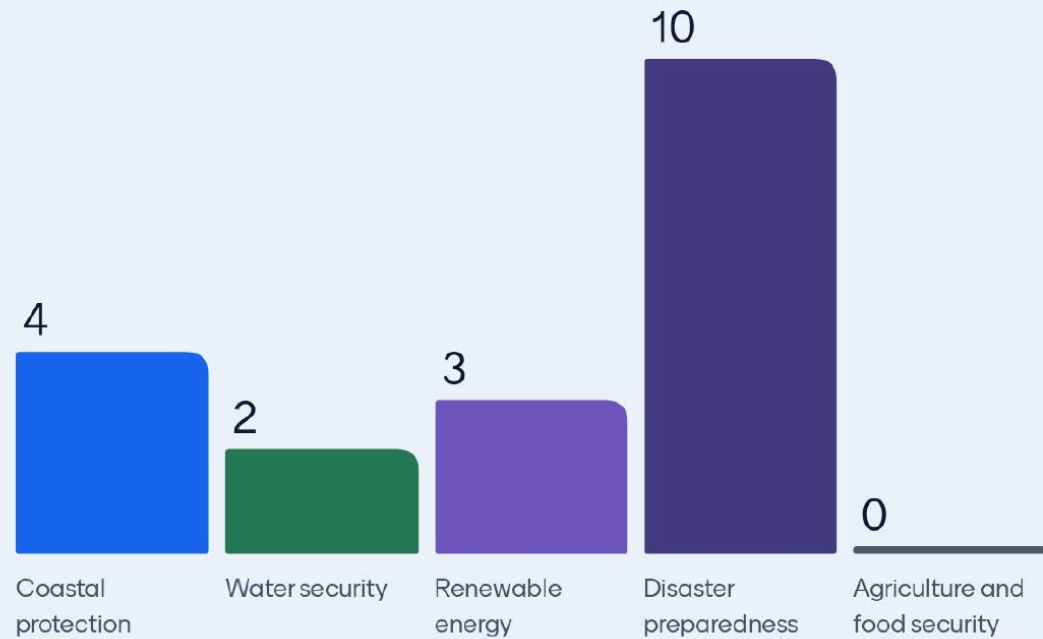
Not prepared

Very Prepared



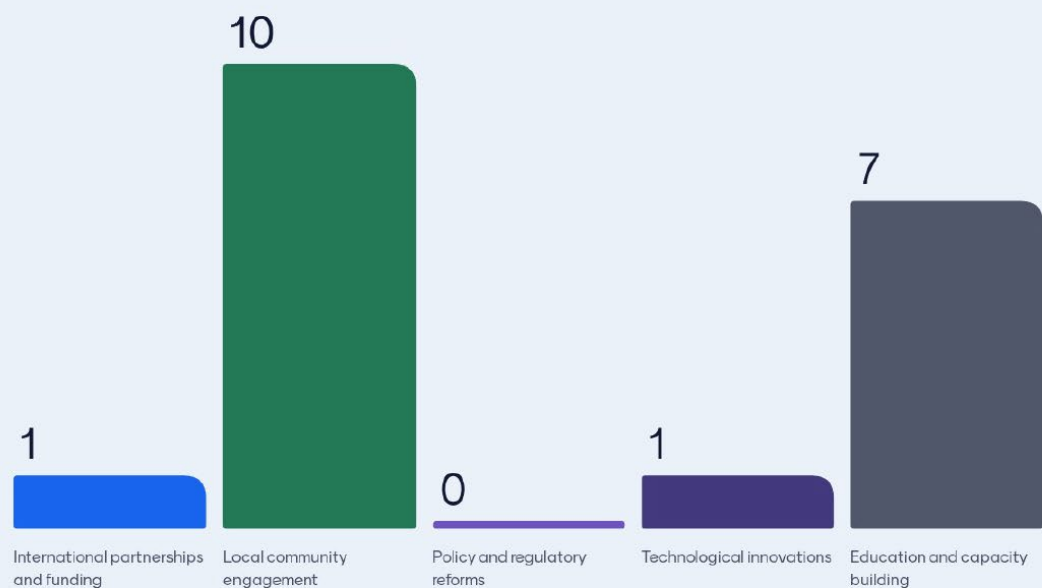


Which area is your country prioritising the most in climate resilience efforts?



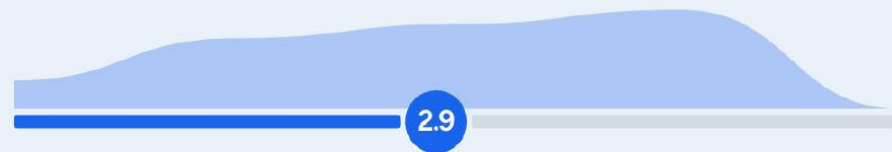


Which of the following do you believe is the most effective strategy for enhancing climate resilience in the Pacific Islands?





On a scale of 1 to 5, How would you rate your country's access to international climate finance?



Very Poor

Excellent





What is the key to successful climate adaptation in your region?

31 responses





Which type of partnerships have been most effective in supporting your climate resilience initiatives?





What traditional knowledge or practice is most beneficial for climate resilience?

28 responses



Appendix D: Final Day Reflection – Mentimeter Results

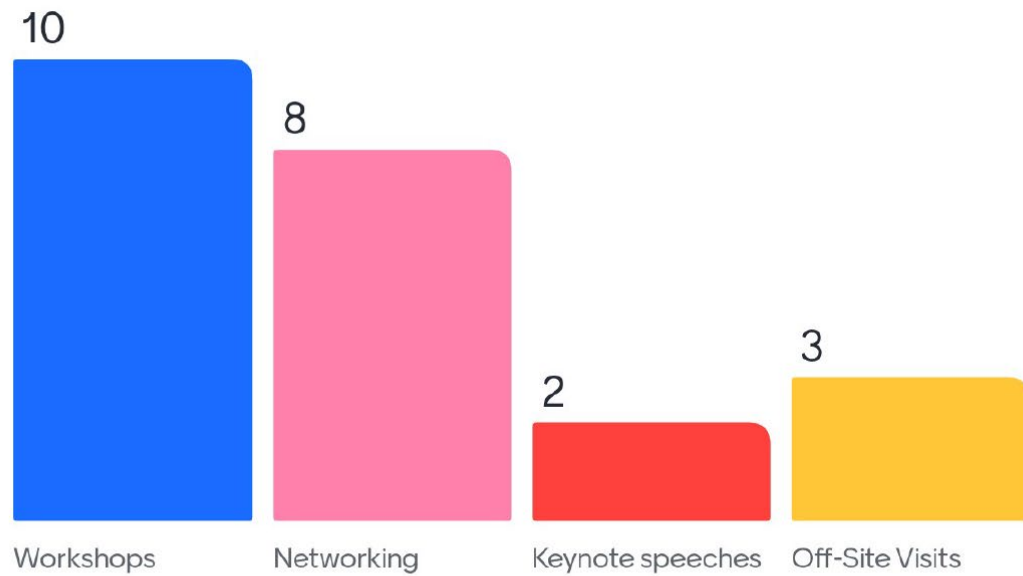


In one word, how would you describe your experience this week?

35 responses



What was your favorite moment of the week?



At your tables - discuss

- Share a memorable experience or story from this week.
- What is the most valuable lesson you learned this week?
- Which session or activity had the biggest impact on you?
- How do you plan to apply what you have learned in your country?

