

The background of the slide is a photograph of a forest. In the foreground, a single, tall, slender tree with a dark trunk and a green, bushy top stands on the left. Behind it, a dense forest of similar trees stretches across the middle ground. The background is a hazy, misty forest with many more trees, creating a sense of depth. The overall color palette is dominated by greens and blues, with a soft, ethereal light.

Enhancing professional expertise and capacity for forest management in the Pacific - the development of the Pacific Network of Forestry Professionals

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Program

1. The development of the Pacific Network of Forestry Professionals
(Jalesi Mateboto)

2. Progress within Pacific Island Countries

Papua New Guinea (Dr Ruth Turia, Don Yakuma and Elizah Simon)

Fiji (Samuela Lagataki)

Vanuatu (Godfrey Bome)

Tonga Susan Tuitavake and Heimuli Likiafu

Samoa (Francois Martel)

Solomon Islands (Terence Titiulu)

3. Survey of training needs in the Pacific (Loraini Baleilomaloma)

4. Questions & discussion