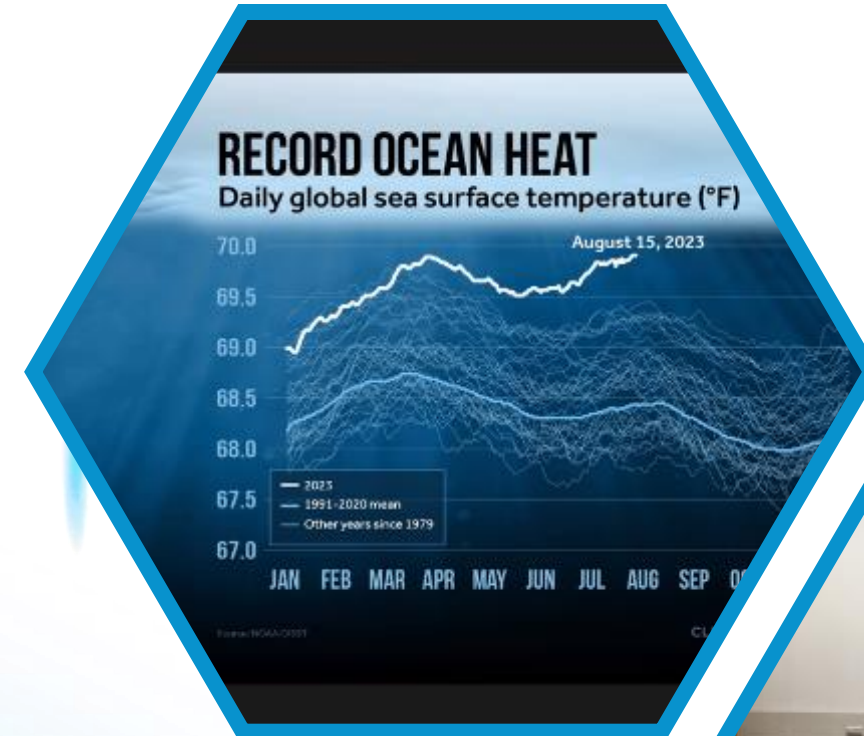


15TH SESSION OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS CLIMATE OUTLOOK & STAKEHOLDER FORUM

PICOF-15

14 - 15 OCTOBER, 2024

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PICOF OBJECTIVES

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Pacific Islands Climate Outlook Forum

- PICOF is a WMO associated regional climate outlook forum delivered via the Pacific RCC-Network;
- Aimed at **producing objective, user-relevant climate outlooks** in order to help member countries **reduce climate-related risks and support sustainable development** for in **climate-sensitive sectors of critical socioeconomic significance** in the **Pacific Island** region;
- NMHSs are the primary participants of the October 2024 PICOF but the focus remains delivering climate information to climate-sensitive sectors and the community

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- Review the climate of May to October 2024 including performance of climate, ocean and tropical cyclone outlooks over this period;
- Discuss how seasonal outlooks are produced in terms of accuracy, utility, weaknesses and strengths;
- Present climate, ocean and tropical cyclone outlooks for November 2024 to April 2025;
- Where possible discuss how NMHSs are currently obtaining and assessing the available guidance, making them nationally relevant, tailoring them for specific end users, and disseminating them to users;
- Continue to include climate change historical trends and projection updates. On this occasion focusing on air temperature and rainfall;

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- Produce regional and national PICOF statements which NMHSs can use to guide NCOF discussions and assist with the production of national productions/services;
- Review PICOF-15 and past PICOFs, with the aim of ensuring they meet WMO guidelines with reference to delivering regional climate outlook forums AND ensuring PICOF meets the needs of NMHSs in the Pacific region;
- Introduce GEDSI and inclusive early warning early action: checklist and implementation guide;
- Explore the needs of vulnerable groups, determining how best to deliver climate services that meets GEDSI and vulnerable groups needs.

THANK YOU!

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