

Agenda item 22:Election of PIDC Board Members for 2023/24 and PIDC BoardMeeting Schedule for 2023/24

Proposed Recommendations:

Members are invited to:

- a) endorse the election of the 2023/24 Board Members; and
- b) **note** its meeting schedule.

Purpose

Members are requested to nominate and elect representatives to the PIDC Board for the 2023/24 financial year.

Background

2. The PIDC Board consists of the current Chair, Incoming Vice Chair, Outgoing Vice Chair, and permanent Board Members Australia and New Zealand as Donors and Samoa as the Host Country as well as annually elected representatives from Melanesia, Polynesia, Micronesia and the Small Island States.

3. The PIDC Board is a permanent subsidiary body of the PIDC and acts on behalf of the PIDC to provide governance to the organisation. The Board is responsible for setting the strategic direction and ensuring the PIDC's programme of work and other objectives are delivered and are adding value. It is also responsible for ensuring that the PIDC is an ongoing concern, that reputational financial and non-financial risks are identified and effectively mitigated and that policies are in place to ensure that resources are used responsibly and with accountability.

4. In a regular business year, the Board normally meets three times. The Board meeting schedule for the 2023/24 Financial Year, is normally aligned to the Secretariat's reporting timeframe as outlined in the PIDC Constitution but also seeking to avoid clashes with national and regional events. The Board during the course of the new financial year will discuss and agree to a date that is convenient for all Board Members. The Board's new meeting schedule will be considered by the new Board depending on their collective availability with the dates based around the following schedule:

- a) Board Meeting No. 1: Second quarter of 2023 (October/November 2023)
- b) Board Meeting No. 2: Third quarter in 2024 (February/March 2024)
- c) Board Meeting No. 3: Within a week prior to 2024 RAM.