Education for Sustainable Development

Supporting Sustainable Consumption and Production in the Pacific

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What is Educational Sustainable Development?

Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) aims to help people to develop the attitudes, skills and knowledge to make informed decisions for the benefit of themselves and others, now and in the future, and to act upon these decisions.
ESD in the Pacific Context

- The Pacific Plan, Goal - Sustainable Development, Strategic Objective 7: Improved education and training
- Pacific Education Development Framework 2009 – 2015 – Cross-Cutting Theme 5: ESD
- Pacific Education for Sustainable Development Framework
To empower Pacific peoples through all forms of locally relevant and culturally appropriate education and learning to make decisions and take actions to meet current and future social, cultural, environmental and economic needs and aspirations.
ESD Priority Areas

Policy and Innovation
• National ESD mapping and frameworks
• HIV/AIDS in education policy
• ICT in education policy

Formal Education and Training
• Climate Change curriculum development
• Curriculum analysis
• Development of educational units

Community Based Education
• Sandwatch Programme
• Disaster preparedness
Why ESD?

ESD

Transformational Behavior Change

Sustainable Consumption

Sustainable Production
The biggest change in my life now, is no more drugs, marijuana, no smoke, and am able to respect others, eat proper food, meaning balance diet and be clean all the time. Before my involvement with the Va’atele, I used to take drugs, do the plantation for my family, walk the street with friends, pick up girls, often take the bus to town just to find trouble, never thought there is another life like now – excerpt from UNESCO Report from the Samoa Voyaging Society

UNESCO endeavours to promote responsible citizenship and sustainable lifestyles and consumption habits, fundamental to green growth
Examples of ESD in the Pacific
Getting Involved

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