

# 11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas

7 – 11 September 2026, Tjibaou Cultural Centre, Noumea, New Caledonia

*Your snapshot for Day Two, 8 September 2026*



## Crafted by culture, inspired by nature

The 11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas (PCNC11) is more than a gathering of conservation practitioners, policymakers and community leaders. It is also an opportunity to demonstrate how biodiversity conservation, cultural heritage and sustainable livelihoods are deeply interconnected.

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## "Young Pacific people are not only leaders of tomorrow, we are the partners you need today."

Pacific youth took a stand at the 11th Pacific Islands Conference for Nature Conservation and Protected Areas to be recognised as partners in decision-making. As the generation that will bear the brunt of the climate crisis and biodiversity decline, young Pacific people are calling to be part of designing the solutions for their future, meaningful inclusion in decision-making and investment into the next generation of environmental leaders.

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## From ancestral wisdom to conservation action: Indigenous voices at PCNC11

Bringing together indigenous leaders, cultural practitioners and conservation advocates from Kiribati, New Caledonia and Palau, at the 11th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas (PCNC11) the Indigenous Voices: Nature Conservation Perspectives and Practices plenary session challenged participants. They were encouraged to think beyond conventional conservation models and explore how ancestral knowledge, spirituality, customary governance and cultural identity can help shape the future of nature conservation.

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## Conservation efforts along the Pomio Coast in Papua New Guinea result in optimistic outcomes

Positive impacts are being made through the Forest to Turtle project in Papua New Guinea that protects and conserves endangered sea turtles. Supported by WWF-Belgium, WWF-Pacific and the government of Papua New Guinea, the project takes place in Pomio District in New Britain PNG. Having both an inland, and coastal focus, the project works with the Malai Youth Organisation of over 30 youth to carry out conservation efforts along a 5km stretch along the Pomio coast. Building the capacity of young people to undertake sea turtle monitoring, tagging and build awareness across their community as to the ecosystem value of leatherback turtles, has since led to successful outcomes.

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## Amplifying Pacific voices



More Pacific voices take centre stage at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/SPREP.PROE>

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**As taken from the Government of New Caledonia Facebook Page. You can see this and more if you [click here](#).**

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[11e CONFÉRENCE NATURE] 🌿 **Première journée d'ateliers**

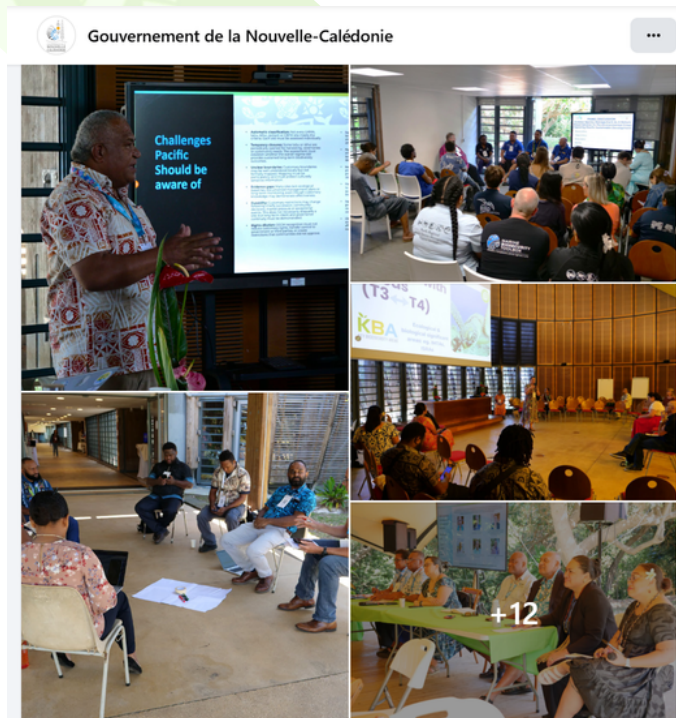
La 11e conférence des îles du Pacifique sur la conservation de la nature se poursuit ce mardi 8 septembre au centre culturel Tjibaou.

La journée est consacrée à de nombreux ateliers thématiques réunissant organisations, associations et institutions qui œuvrent en faveur de la protection de l'environnement.

Les ateliers s'articulent autour de six axes thématiques qui reflètent les piliers du Cadre pour le Pacifique ainsi que les priorités de conservation les plus urgentes de la région :

- 1 Conservation fondée sur le territoire et connectivité ;
- 2 Espèces et écosystèmes ;
- 3 Espèces envahissantes ;
- 4 Solutions fondées sur la nature ;
- 5 Gouvernance environnementale et leadership ;
- 6 Peuple, nature et culture.

Ces ateliers thématiques sont animés par des membres issus des 18 organisations du PIRT ainsi que d'autres structures possédant une expertise dans le domaine concerné. Ils se poursuivront mercredi 9 septembre. [See less](#)



We captured voices of our Pacific Youth in a reel which you can [watch here](#)!

We've loaded a photo album with over 100 photos! Snapshots below!  
[Have a look here!](#)

You can download the raw, unedited photos we have taken on our [Flickr account](#)!

Check out Facebook posts from our PIRT Members!

- Conservation International Pacific Islands has shared a post about the Kiwa RESTORE Project, you can [read it here](#)!
- IUCN Oceania has shared a post on Pacific Indigenous voices which you [read here](#)!

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Bringing together over 400 delegates from across the Pacific, the conference is organised by New Caledonia, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme, and the Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation with the support of partners.

For more information please visit : <https://www.pacificislandsroundtable.com/pacific-nature-conference>

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