Fiji and the EU

Fiji comprises over 332 islands (110 permanently inhabited) and 500 islets. Population – 860,000, 87% living on the 2 major islands, Viti Levu and Vanua Levu. Economy – Fiji has an abundance of forest, mineral and fish resources. The main sources of foreign exchange are tourism and sugar exports.

Key instruments

ACP-EU Partnership Agreement – seeks to reduce poverty through sustainable development and gradually integrate Fiji into the world economy.

Development cooperation

The EU provides assistance through the European Development Fund - €28 million in 2014-20 in 2 main sectors (working also through civil society groups):

- **Sustainable rural livelihoods**
  To make Fiji's agriculture sector more sustainable, especially vulnerable sugarcane farming communities. But also looking at alternative livelihood options.

- **Public administration reform & governance**
  Giving poor and marginalised communities better access to legal services and products by strengthening the capacities of key justice and governance institutions.

Regional funding

The EDF funding will be complemented by operations financed by the Pacific Regional Indicative Programme which has a budget of €166 million for the region.

Funding for 2014-20 under the EDF

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Support measures (technical assistance to NAO, technical cooperation facility, audit, evaluation) | 0.5 | 1.8%
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TOTAL | 28 | 100%

Documents

2014-2020 National Indicative Programme for Fiji
Pacific Regional Indicative Programme 2014-2020
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