



# Pacific One Maritime Framework (POMF)

*“A maritime sector serving the needs and aspirations of all  
Pacific peoples”*

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# Background: 5<sup>th</sup> PRETMM



## Key Outcomes

- Called for the **development of a “one-maritime framework** with appropriate plans and solutions aligned to the *2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent* that are **adaptable to varying circumstances across the region**, and incorporating monitoring, evaluation and learning.”
- requested “**SPC and IMO** to take the lead to coordinate the process for PICTs to develop the new framework in collaboration with **SPREP**, other CROP agencies and Pacific stakeholders, and regional and international development partners, **using futures thinking tools**” and
- further requested the “**establishment of a Steering Committee** to provide oversight of the process to develop and encourage Transport Officials in PICTs to actively take part in the process of developing the new framework for a sustainable maritime sector in the Blue Pacific focussed on members needs and to **adopt it before the 6<sup>th</sup> PRETMM**”



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Heads of Maritime (HOM) Meeting, April 2024



- Endorsement of the POMF Steering Committee Terms of Reference and election of Solomon Islands as Chair and Tonga as Deputy Chair
- Steering Committee established
- Drafting Committee formed at the First SC and a meeting date set for June 2024

# The development Process – Key Considerations



- **Inclusivity and Broad Consultation:** to ensure the framework reflects the diverse needs and perspectives of the Pacific region.



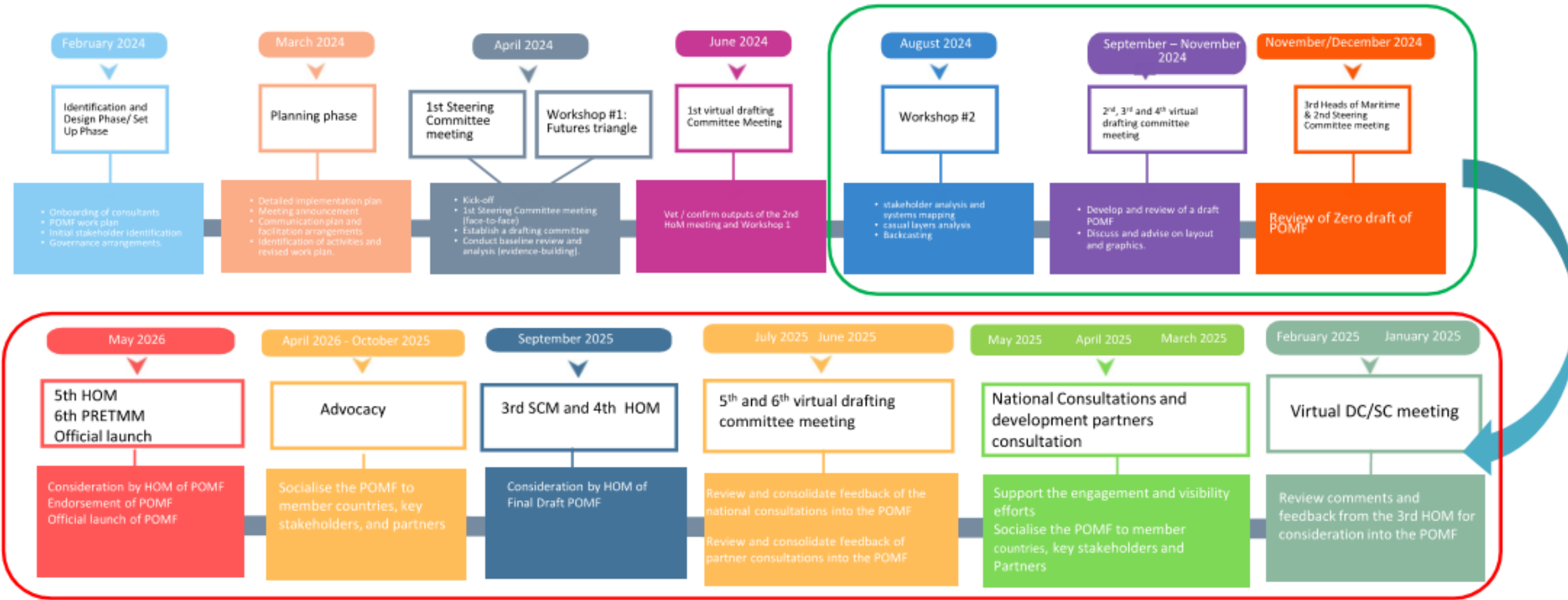
- **Continuous Improvement and Feedback Integration:** This iterative process ensures that the document evolves to address the concerns and suggestions of the broad stakeholder groups



- **Strategic Focus and Milestones** ensures that the framework is comprehensive, actionable and measurable.



# Pacific One-Maritime Framework (POMF): Anticipated revised timeline as approved in 2<sup>nd</sup> SCM and HOM 3

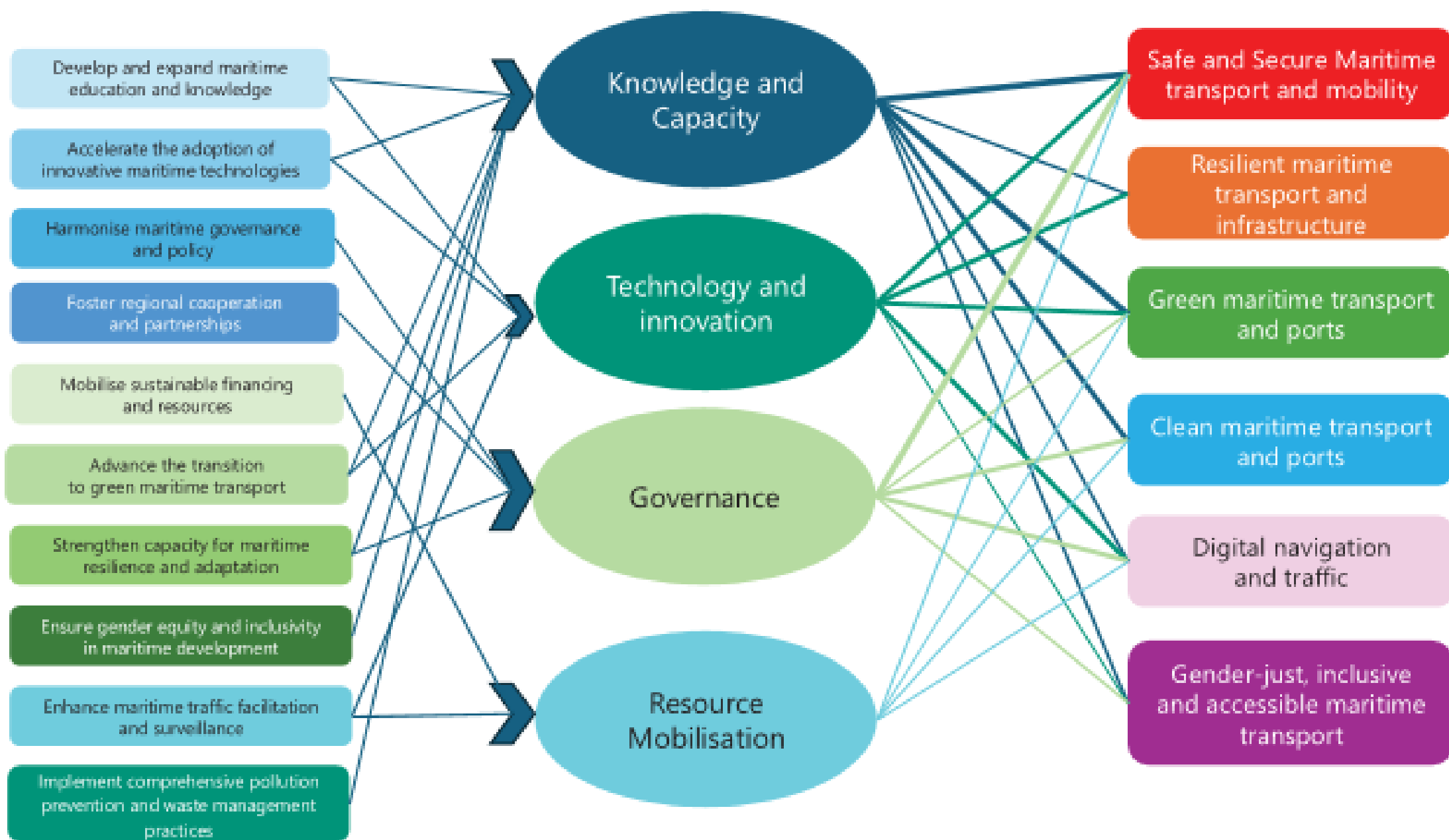




## PURPOSE OF THE POMF

- Intends to **create a single framework** that articulates strategies to cater for sustainable maritime sector needs, priorities, and ambitions of PICTs
- Provides a platform for PICTs to reflect on their current challenges and articulate **their aspirations for safe, secure and sustainable maritime transport services**
- **Focuses on needs, priorities, challenges and emerging issues** in the maritime sector in the Blue Pacific

# Thematic areas and pathways



## 2. Accelerate the adoption of innovative maritime technologies:

Promote the development and deployment of digital technologies tailored to Pacific needs, ensuring the extensive use of cutting-edge solutions in maritime infrastructure, ports and vessel services and operations, navigation, surveillance and cybersecurity.



### 2.1 By 2030:

- i. assess and pilot digital maritime technologies in the Pacific, incorporating traditional knowledge and engaging with communities, in e-navigation, early warning and search-and-rescue systems, advanced vessel tracking and communication systems, and technologies for pollution prevention and waste management in maritime infrastructure and onboard vessels.
- ii. commence implementation of S-100 standards across the region, while also building capacity for and accelerating the collection of essential maritime information and data in Pacific Island Countries and Territories.

### 2.2 By 2040:

- i. develop accessible and user-friendly digital platforms to enhance maritime safety, security, and efficiency across the Pacific region, streamlining port and vessel operations, improving navigation and surveillance, facilitating traffic management and response to maritime emergencies, integrating data and systems related to shipboard waste management, port reception facilities and pollution prevention.
- ii. achieve significant progress in the implementation of the S-100 standard in maritime infrastructure and onboard vessels with substantial capacity building and testing underway.

### 2.3 By 2050:

- i. establish a fully integrated, secure digital maritime ecosystem across the Pacific, leveraging advanced technologies for safe and efficient operations incorporating traditional knowledge in design and implementation and providing reliable information for maritime domain awareness.
- ii. achieve region-wide adoption of the S-100 standard, ensuring seamless interoperability and enhanced maritime safety information exchange across the Pacific.



## RECOMMENDATIONS



The SWPHC is recommended to:

- Invite SWPHC members, officials responsible for safety of navigation and partners to **review the POMF zero draft and contribute to national consultations.**
- **Support further development of the POMF** with the view to have it endorsed by the maritime transport ministers at their 6<sup>th</sup> meeting in Papua New Guinea in 2026.
- **Encourage the SWPHC members and IHO to be guided by the POMF** and consider supporting Pacific Island Countries and Territories in collecting data and advancing the implementation of the S-100 standard.