

Edinburgh for his significant contributions to marine conservation.

Our Fish Our Future: Support Micronesia sub-regional countries (Palau, FSM and Marshall Islands) in the implementation of USAID Our Fish Our Future project.

Marine Protected Areas: Supported in the establishment of 470 LMMA sites around Fiji containing MPAs (Marine protected areas).

Our Approach

Provide practical capacity building, cost-effective and culturally appropriate engagement tools to promote locally-led dialogues and management.

Assist communities in managing their resources, often utilizing a revival of cultural traditions strengthened by contemporary science.

Build Trust resiliency, confidence, and innovation through lesson sharing between practitioners.

Follow a code of conduct that ensures community interests are the heart of any conservation effort.

Advocate for communities at the national, regional, and international levels, for fair partnerships, policies, and support.



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Statement from the Acting Executive Director

"I am very grateful to introduce Locally Managed Marine Area (LMMA) Network International, a non-profit based organization registered in Fiji.

LMMA continues to support our fishing communities and networks in championing and advancing community-led and locally driven solutions to integrated coastal management, LMMAs, sustainable fisheries, sustainable and climate-smart agriculture, climate change adaptations and sustainable/resilient livelihood development.

Our 100% solution strategy was designed to bring years of learning to ALL Pacific Island communities and provide real benefits to ALL Pacific peoples in terms of food, nutrition, livelihood, culture and health.



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Alifereti Tawake
Acting Executive Director -
LMMA Network

Background of Establishment

The Locally Managed Marine Area (LMMA) Network International Trust is a Fiji registered international organization whose vision is to build healthy, empowered, and resilient communities who inherit well managed coastal and marine ecosystems. LMMA Trust has been working in the region on establishing community and indigenous led conservation and community training since 2000. The LMMA Network was founded on the belief that local communities are best positioned to manage coastal resources but are often left unempowered through international initiatives or government efforts. Today, LMMA supports Networks in Indonesia, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Palau, Pohnpei, Fiji, and the Solomon Islands, and engages with more than 15 other countries in the Indo Pacific.

Mission

Vibrant, Resilient, and Empowered communities who inherit and maintain healthy well managed and sustainable marine resources and ecosystems.

Main Activity

The Network provides help with:

- Raising awareness in communities on resource management
- Habitat and resource mapping
- Developing resource management plans
- Sharing resources and information
- Capacity building and skills development
- Biological and socio-economic monitoring
- Managing and analyzing site data
- Ecosystem restoration

Outstanding Achievements

Fijian wins 2015 Duke of Edinburgh Conservation Award: Executive Director, Alifereti Tawake was presented with the 2015 Duke of

