



SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCES NETWORK

The Pacific Islands Science, Technology and
Resources Network Conference

STAR 2024

SECOND CIRCULAR
CALL FOR PAPERS
and
REGISTRATIONS

The STAR Steering Committee is pleased to confirm
that **STAR 2024** will have the theme of:

***“Ocean and Earth Resources and Their
Security in the Pacific Region”***

A special session on “Urban Sea Systems” will be arranged
following the official opening on Monday 18 November 2024.

As with previous years, issues on **any** topic related to the
overall conference theme or the Pacific region in general will
also be welcome and will be included in the **STAR 2024**



STAR 2024 will be held on
18-22 November 2024
in Suva, Fiji.

The venue for **STAR 2024** will be:
Holiday Inn
Suva, Fiji.

Details of accommodation options:
www.fiji.travel/places-to-stay/suva-and-surrounds



SGC Smith Geoscience Consultancy

Conference Format

STAR 2024 will be a hybrid conference, **oral presentation sessions** will be available during **STAR 2024**. Poster presentations may also be available.

Presentations:

Sessions will be scheduled during the hours 09:00 – 17:00. PowerPoint presentations must be no longer than 15 minutes with 5 minutes for discussion.

Working Groups:

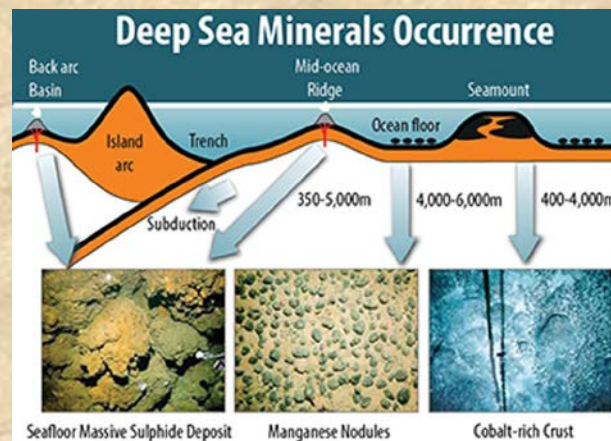
Working groups will also be scheduled during **STAR 2024** on topics relevant to supporting Pacific Island countries with their sustainable development. Any member, or group of members of STAR should provide details.

Field Trip:

A field trip is being planned for Friday 22 November 2024. Details will be provided in due course.

Student and Early Career Prize

The STAR Steering Committee will award a prize for the best presentation during the **STAR 2024** given by a student or early career scientist.



Abstract Submission

Delegates intending to participate in **STAR 2024** are hereby invited to submit titles of papers and abstracts under the focus areas.

Abstracts should be submitted via email in the attached format.

Early submission is strongly encouraged; however, the submission deadline will be:

01 November 2024

Registration Submission

Registrations can be submitted via the website or using the attached form.

STAR 2024 Registration Fees

Before 01 November	FJD200
After 01 November	FJD250
Virtual	FJD100
Students (no paper)	FJD50
Students (presenting paper)	Free
Field Trip	FJD100

STAR 2024 Contact Details:

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STAR

The Science, Technology and Resources (STAR) Network founded in 1984 as a joint initiative between SOPAC and the IOC/UNESCO. STAR has met annually for more than three decades in conjunction with the SOPAC Governing Council Meeting. SOPAC provided secretariat support to STAR until it became a new division of the Pacific Community (SPC).

In April 2015 at a Regional Geoscience Steering Group Meeting an agenda item considered the future of STAR. STAR was thus established as an independent organisation with the general aims:

- to strongly support the continuation of STAR because of its value in refreshing, collaborating and animating scientific alliances and showcasing useful work, techniques and processes that may be adapted to address development issues of the Pacific;
- to further explore how STAR could remain independent to further develop the geoscientific needs of the Pacific Islands; and
- that for the future of STAR to be sustained, STAR needed to secure ownership by the Pacific islands. The current Chair is Dr Raijieli Taga, the Permanent Secretary of the Fiji Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources.