





efforts at national, regional, and international levels progress and advance  
Leaders commitments and continued discussions on the issue Work Programme  
includes closely engaging all UN processes considering the issue, including the 21st  
Meeting of the UN Open





## Mariti

The celebrations of the Day for Women in Maritime (D4WIM) were centered around the statistics that proved that Pacific women in the maritime sector are leading the way, surpassing the global gender parity of women seafarers. The Pacific WIMA/Pacific Day for Women In Maritime is seen as an opportunity to raise the profile of women's leadership, resilience and contributions to the maritime industry, to highlight that the maritime sector is at the heart of post-COVID-19 recovery, and to promote women's strengths as essential to a more inclusive, equitable and sustainable maritime sector going forward, both regionally and globally.

As part of its efforts to put SDG 5 at the heart of discussions, SPC in partnership with IMO is working to ensure better access for women and ensure that they are equally represented at all levels, including leadership levels. Since 2005, IMO and SPC have partnered to develop a Pacific woman in maritime network and support activities to facilitate equal education and training opportunities.

### 4.6.2 World Ocean Day Celebrations

There were numerous events around the region to mark the important World Ocean Day celebrations. OPOC convened a high level event on 8 June to mark World Ocean Day celebrations and featured the Forum Chair and Prime Minister of Tuvalu, Hon Kausea Natano, the UNSG Special Envoy, Ambassador Peter Thomson and the Pacific Ocean Commissioner, Hon. Henry Puna. The high level event was followed by an exciting youth segment which featured youths from around the region sharing their inspiring ocean journeys, namely: Ms. Nicole Yamase (FSM); Ms. Kathrilla Rikeo (RMI); Ms Hereti File (Cook Is); and Ms. Ann Marie Raduva (Fiji).