

Supporting cyber resilience in the Pacific

Cyberspace and critical technologies affect national security, economic prosperity, the protection of human rights and freedoms, sustainable development and international peace and stability. Australia shares responsibility for protecting our region's peace and security - including cyber security.



Australia supports Pacific island countries to grow cyber capabilities- guided by the **2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent**, the **Lagatoi Declaration** and the **Boe Declaration Action Plan**. This includes:

- Under the 2023-2030 Cyber Security Strategy, establishing Cyber Rapid Assistance for Pacific Incidents and Disasters (RAPID) teams to help respond to cyber incidents as they happen in the Pacific, when Pacific governments request assistance
- Assisting Pacific island countries to adopt secure-by-design solutions and improve their long-term cyber posture
- Working with cyber security and technical experts across the Pacific to improve capabilities and share information, tools, techniques and ideas through the **Pacific Cyber Security Operational Network** (PaCSON)
 - PaCSON enables cooperation and collaboration by empowering members to share cyber security threat information, tools, techniques and ideas

• Delivering the **Cyber Safety Pasifika education program** to assist Pacific police understand and investigate cyber threats and incidents in their countries

Australia's **Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology** leads Australia's international engagement on cyber affairs and critical technology issues, including cyber capacity building, crisis response and resilience across the Pacific

Bilaterally through initiatives that build cyber resilience via domestic capability uplift in the Pacific

Regionally through initiatives and networks, including the Pacific Cyber Security Operational Network and Cyber Safety Pasifika, endorsed by the Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police HOW WE

Internationally by coordinating with global and likeminded partners on cyber security capacity building in the Pacific, including through the Partners in the Blue Pacific initiative