

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Conference of the Pacific Islands Universities Research Network [ PIURN ]

8-10 october 2018  
University of French Polynesia

**SAVE THE DATE**

The 4<sup>th</sup> conference of the PIURN will take place in 2020 at the Solomon Islands National University.



**+130 ATTENDEES**

**11 TERRITORIES**

**15 UNIVERSITIES**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> PIURN Network Conference was held from October the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 on the University of French Polynesia's campus (Tahiti) on the theme of «**Traditional Knowledge, Academic Knowledge and current universities' research dynamics in the Pacific Region**». More than 130 people from across the Pacific participated in those three days, full of presentations and exchanges. Among them, 67% of researchers, teachers and teacher-researchers and 20% of students have attended the conference. Representatives of universities and representatives of the High Commission of the Republic, the Government of French Polynesia, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand, the Ministry of Education and Training of New Zealand, Vanuatu or the Pacific Islands Development Forum (PIDF) were also present.

### INCREASING SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION WITHIN THE PACIFIC

Throughout the conference, many fruitful exchanges took place. Thus, in addition to the presented papers, the discussions led to the emergence of several regional collaboration projects, including:

- 2 projects to be submitted to the Pacific Fund (November 2018):
  - «Economic analysis of tourism in the Pacific islands» realised on the basis of a collaboration between the University of French Polynesia, Victoria University of Wellington, the University of New Caledonia and the Vanuatu's Ministry of Education.
  - «Setting up an oral digital archive of languages in French Polynesia» which associate the University of French Polynesia, Australia (Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language (CoEDL) - Pacific and regional archive for digital sources in endangered cultures (PARADISEC).

- An other project will be submitted to the European H2020 call for projects on the thematic of « Family farming and food security », involving UNC, USP, NUS, PNG and Vanuatu - (march 2019).
- A project will be submitted to the upcoming PIURN call for projects on the thematic of « sustainable uses of natural resources », involving UPF, USP, NUS, UNC, PNG - (december 2018).

## CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings will value the papers presented during the conference. It is expected to be published in the course of 2019.

## VALUATION OF THE EVENT

### Pictures

The pictures taken during the conference are available online: <https://piurn2018.sciencesconf.org/resource/gallery/id/14>

### Videos

- \* Teaser (produced by the Digital Department of ESPE) : [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRDB-L1WT\\_0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRDB-L1WT_0)
- \* Recorded conferences (produced by the Digital Departments of ESPE and UPF) :  
[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIkB3z3tR8DRs-j8AzAjQtFnTy38GIU\\_W](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIkB3z3tR8DRs-j8AzAjQtFnTy38GIU_W)
- \* After-conference movie (produced by the Digital Department of UPF) : *will be soon available online*

### Media coverage

On the local scale, the conference was given a large media coverage. A dozen of press articles have been published (Tahiti infos, La Dépêche de Tahiti, Polynésie 1ère, TNTV and radio1.pf), and also several TV reports (Polynésie 1ère et TNTV) and a radio interview (Polynésie 1ère) were broadcast.

- ◊ «Fin de la 3e conférence du réseau de recherches des universités du Pacifique», [Polynésie la 1ère news du 11 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ JT de Polynésie la 1ère TV du 10 octobre 2018, [en langue française](#) uniquement à partir de 17:10
- ◊ «Si les familles ne s'intéressent pas aux langues polynésiennes, elles sont appelées à mourir», [TNTV news du 9 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ JT de TNTV du 9 octobre 2018, [en langue tahitienne](#) à partir de 14:50, [en langue française](#) à partir de 15:30
- ◊ Nabila Gaertner-Mazouni invitée café de [Polynésie la 1ère radio du 8 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ JT de Polynésie la 1ère TV du 8 octobre 2018, [en langue tahitienne](#) à partir de 11:45, [en langue française](#) à partir de 13:00
- ◊ «120 chercheurs réunis à l'UPF», [Polynésie la 1ère news du 8 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ JT de TNTV du 3 octobre 2018, [en langue tahitienne](#) à partir de 14:35, [en langue française](#) à partir de 16:40
- ◊ «3ème conférence du Réseau de Recherche des Université du Pacifique Insulaire», [communiqué du Haut-Commissariat de la République en Polynésie française du 8 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ «UPF : 80 communications scientifiques en 3 jours », La Dépêche du 4 octobre 2018
- ◊ «Une centaine de chercheurs de 12 pays pour 3 jours de conférences à l'UPF», [TNTV News du 3 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ «Les chercheurs du Pacifique se rassemblent à l'UPF», [Radio 1, 3 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ «Trois jours de conférence avec des chercheurs du Pacifique», [Tahiti infos du 3 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ «Des chercheurs ont rendez-vous à l'UPF», [Polynésie la 1ère news du 3 octobre 2018](#)
- ◊ «Appel à contribution repoussé pour la conférence du réseau de recherche des universités du Pacifique insulaire», [Tahiti Infos du 2 juillet 2018](#)

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