The following vacancy closes on the 15th October 2005. The Community Participation Advisor is a part time position (30%). As this is a fixed term position, applicants must be legally able to work in New Zealand.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION ADVISOR

PACIFIC INVASIVES INITIATIVE

The Pacific Programme of the Cooperative Initiative on Invasive Alien Species on Islands ("The Pacific Invasives Initiative") was established to reduce the impacts of invasive species on island biodiversity and on peoples' livelihoods [www.issg.org/CII]. Management activities are focused at selected Demonstration Project sites throughout the Pacific. Key outputs are to raise awareness of invasive species issues and to build capacity within communities and agencies to effectively manage them.

A Community Participation Advisor is required to work within a small team of specialists based at the University of Auckland's Tamaki Campus. Your roles will include providing advice and support to team members and project managers so that social, cultural and economic issues are appropriately addressed in project plans and reports, and that community groups and other stakeholders have effective inputs to the design, implementation and evaluation of Pacific Invasives Initiative projects. You will also be involved in promoting the Initiative in a range of forums. You may be required to travel in the Pacific.

This is a fixed-term appointment which will finish on 30 June 2006. Remuneration will be negotiated based on University of Auckland academic grades. We are looking for someone who can start immediately and who has:

- A background in facilitating community participation
- Experience in working with Pacific communities
- Excellent communication skills
- Proven project design and management skills
- "Team Player" attributes

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