

Geoparks: An Emergent opportunity for the Pacific

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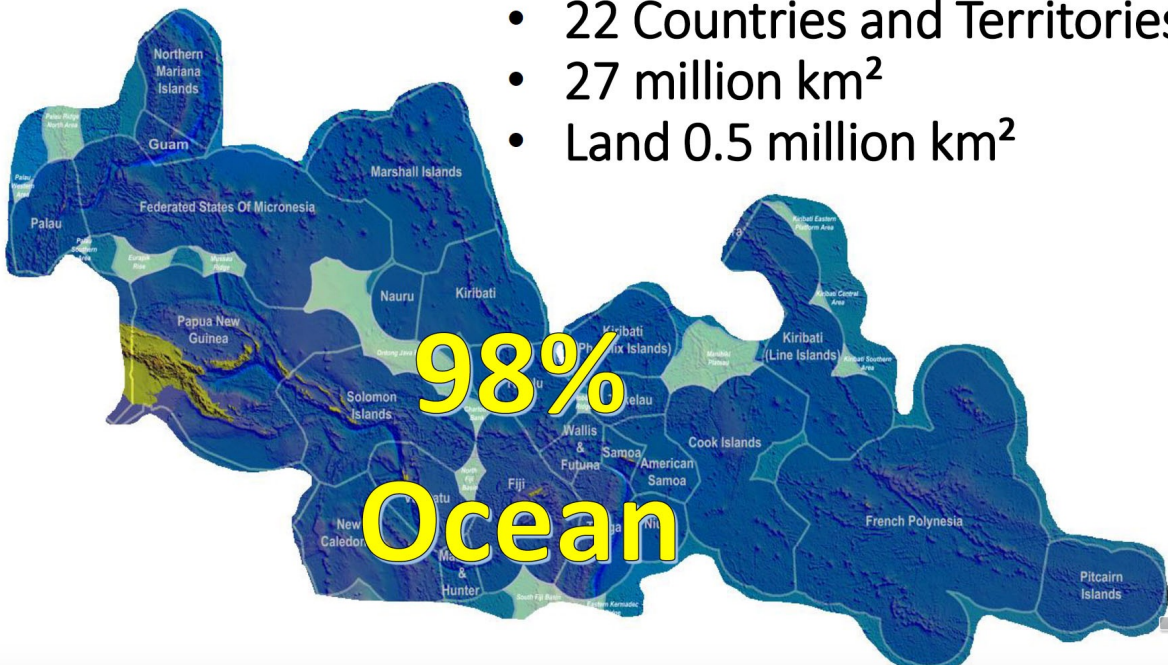
The Blue Pacific Continent

24 Pacific Countries
and Territories

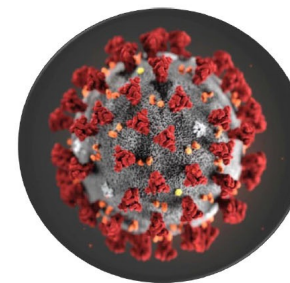
42 million people

42 million km²

30% of the world's
Exclusive Economic
Zones (EEZ)



BACKGROUND



REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP



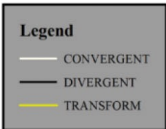
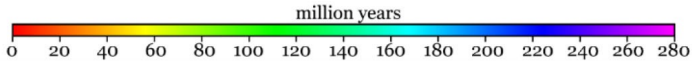
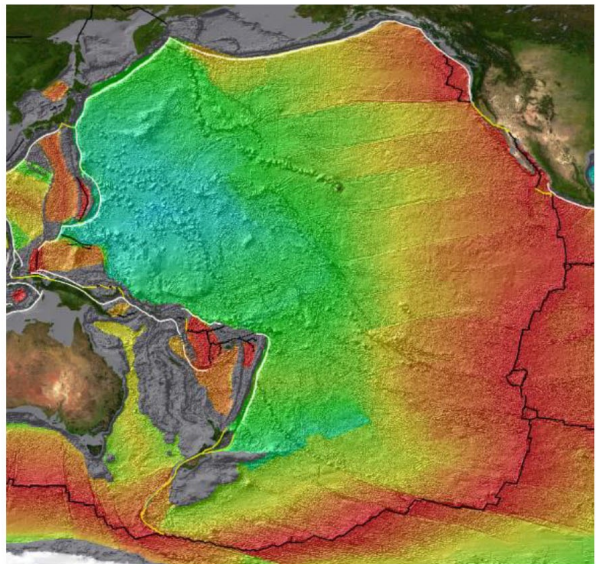
Pacific
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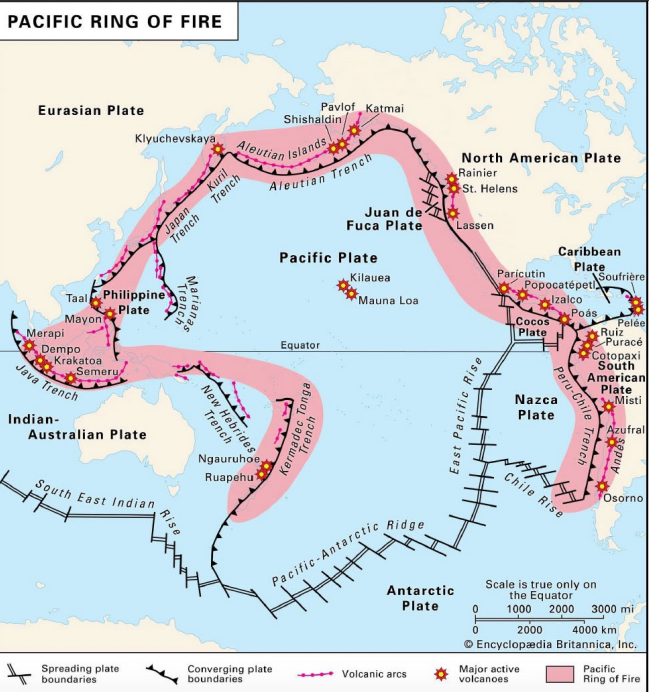
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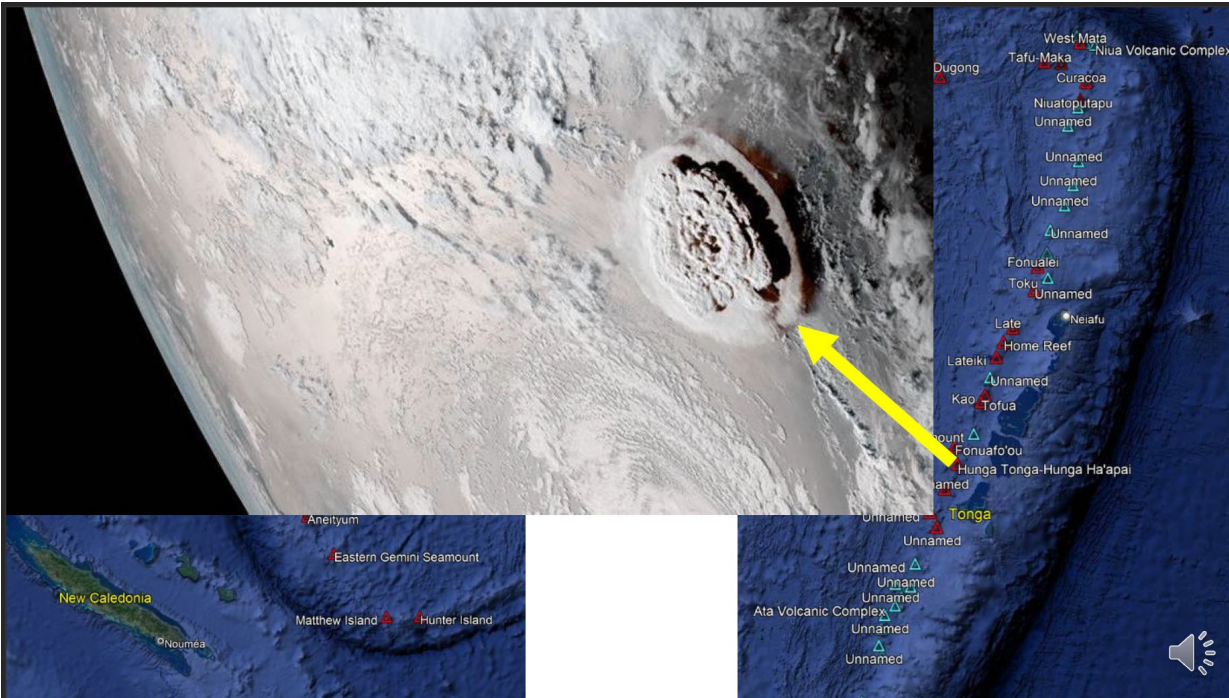


Source: NOAA



Source: Britannica



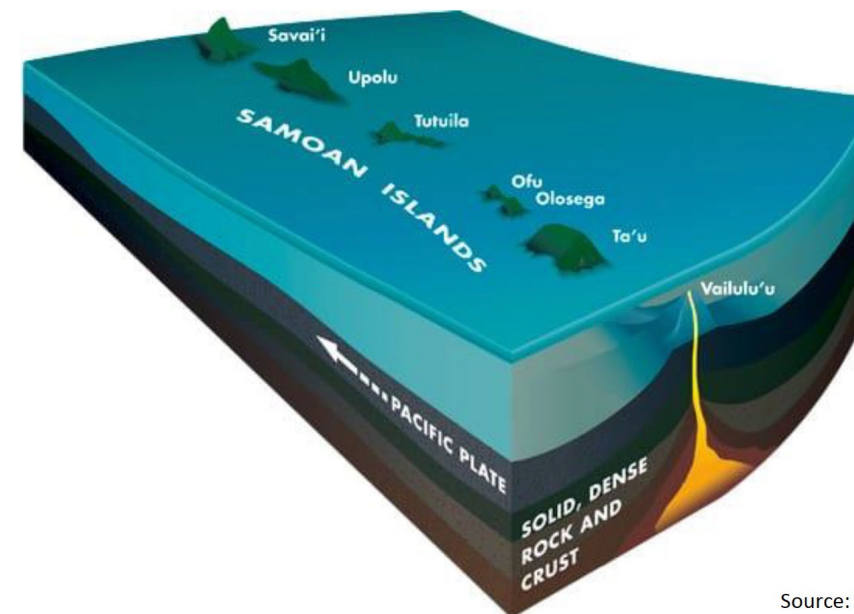


Rank	Country	Risk
1.	Vanuatu	47.73
2.	Solomon Islands	31.16
3.	Tonga	30.51
4.	Dominica	27.42
5.	Antigua and Barbuda	27.28
6.	Brunei Darussalam	22.77
7.	Guyana	21.83
8.	Philippines	21.39
9.	Papua New Guinea	20.90
10.	Guatemala	20.23
11.	Cape Verde	17.72
12.	Costa Rica	17.06
13.	Bangladesh	16.23
14.	Fiji	16.06
15.	Cambodia	15.80

Source:
World Risk Report 2021

Climate Change Communication Tool

- Platform to highlight the Pacific context on the international stage
- Natural museum
- Showcase science e.g., sea level monitoring tide gauges
- Generate increased awareness & support



Source: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

IUGS 60TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

THE FIRST 100

IUGS GEOLOGICAL HERITAGE SITES

THE ACTIVE YASUR-YENKAHE VOLCANIC COMPLEX
VANUATU



FUNAFUTI ATOLL
TUVALU



THE 1905-1911 MATAVANU VOLCANIC ERUPTION
SAMOA



Vinaka, Thank you

