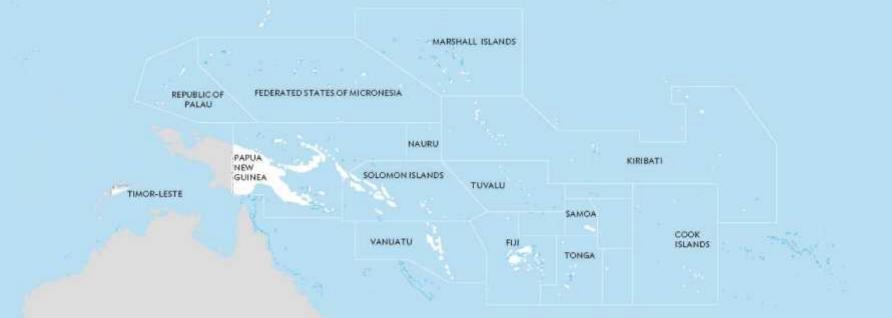
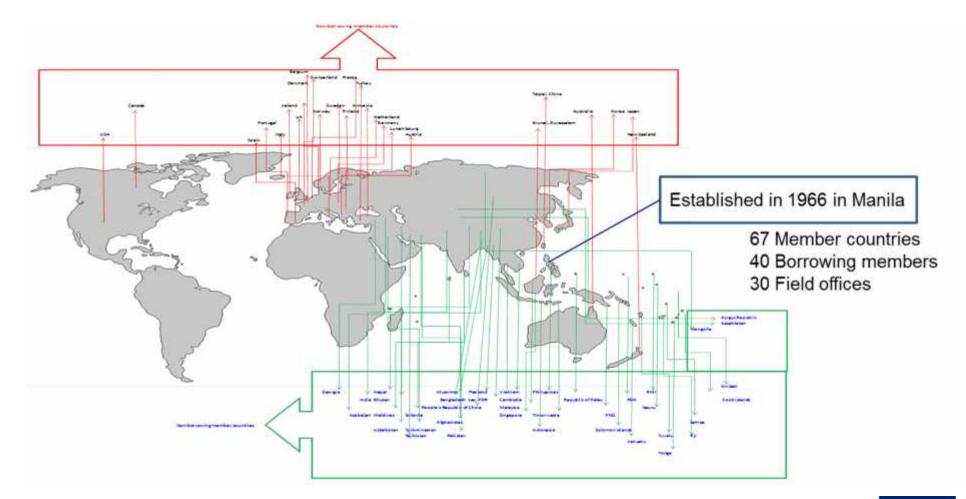
ICT for Pacific – ADB's approach



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ADB- A Multilateral Development Bank





Pristine

Close to nature





Small Isolated

Far away



Private Sector Development

Better Communication with rest of the world

New **Employment** opportunity

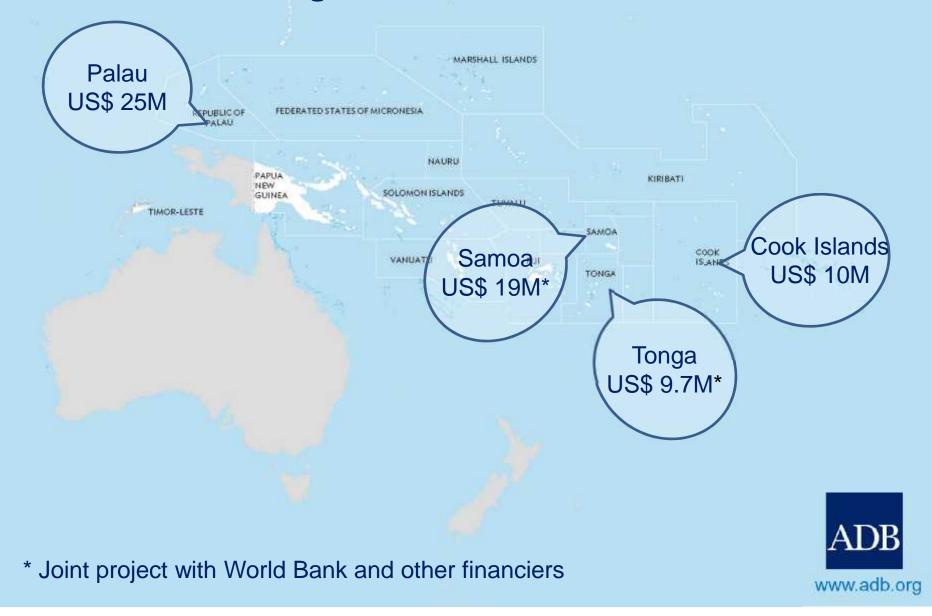
Better Health service

Better Education and skill development

As low as **1%** internet penetration Internet cost as high as **US\$ 650/month**



Funding ICT Infrastructure through Submarine cable projects – Making internet available



Developing capacity in Telecom regulation - making internet affordable



Supporting Applications in Social Services - making the services efficient and accessible

