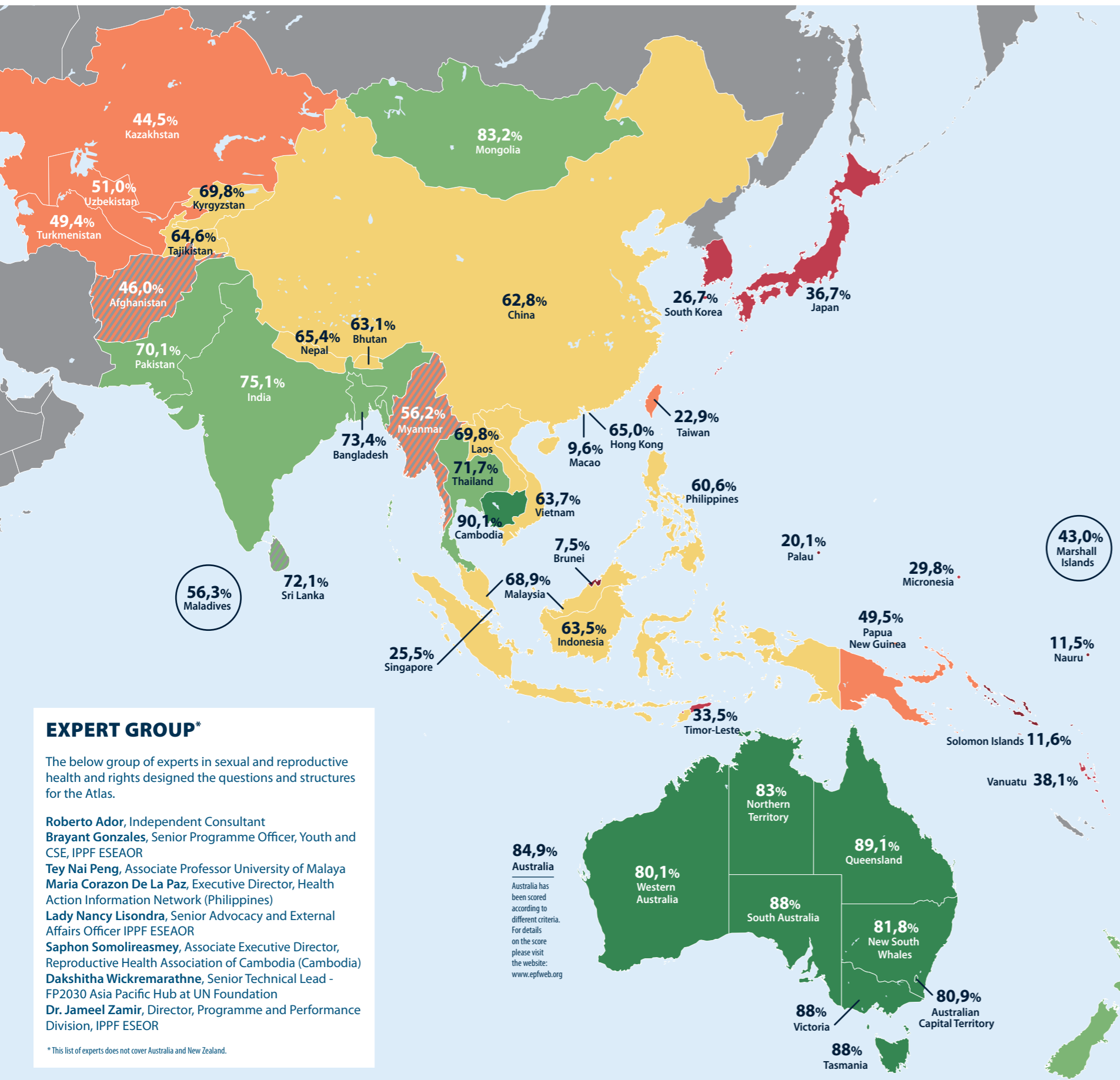


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### MAIN FINDINGS

Only 12 out of 43 countries ensure legislation enshrining the right to choose the number, timing and spacing of children.

Only 10 out of 43 countries cover contraception through their national health insurance; 7 do so fully.

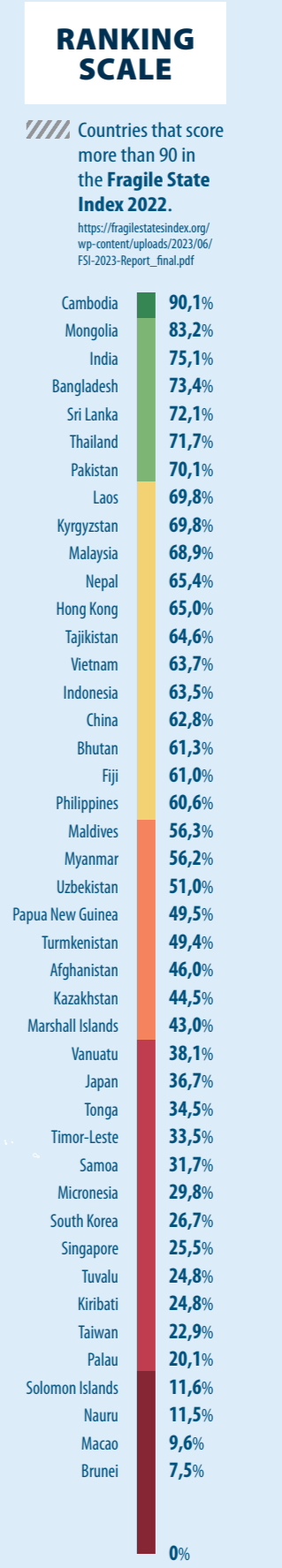
20 out of 43 countries make emergency contraception available without prescription.

30 out of 43 countries need to develop government-led user-friendly websites to inform their citizens on contraception availability. Contraception-themed awareness campaigns should be planned by governments on a more frequent basis.

16 out of 43 countries do not have a publicly available budget line on funds allocated and spent on public sector contraceptive procurement.

Only 5 countries do not rely on grants or donations for their contraceptive supplies.

Pacific islands systematically lack information and need to take more action to develop national strategies for contraception, sexuality education frameworks, policies on emergency contraception, disseminating information on contraception, and the management and funding of contraceptive supplies.



### INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES

**Nairobi Statement on ICPD25 : Accelerating the Promise (2019)**  
We, representing all nations and peoples, and all segments of our societies [...] will [...] achieve universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights as a part of universal health coverage (UHC), by committing to strive for [...] zero unmet need for family planning information and services, and universal availability of quality, accessible, affordable and safe modern contraceptives.

Source: <https://www.nairobi-summit.icpd.org/content/icpd25-commitments>

**SDG Target 3.7**  
By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes.

Source: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/?Text=&Goal=3&Target=3.7>

**Moana Declaration point 7**  
Prioritize couples and individuals' access to contraception and information to make free and informed decisions about the number and timing of children, thereby preventing unintended and unplanned pregnancies, and reducing the need for abortion;

**Moana Declaration point 9**  
Prioritize adolescent SRHR, including through comprehensive sexuality education, and establish accessible SRH and mental health services for youth in schools and other educational institutions, youth organizations, faith based organizations and communities, ensuring their meaningful participation.

**Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development Priority Action 109**  
Accord priority to policies and programmes to achieve universal access to comprehensive and integrated quality sexual and reproductive health services for all women, men and young people in order to, among other things, reduce the unmet need for family planning with special attention on ensuring access for adolescents and unmarried persons, as well as to eliminate maternal, newborn and child mortality, decrease morbidity and to achieve universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

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# CONTRACEPTION POLICY ATLAS ASIA-PACIFIC

Tracking countries on government policies regarding access to contraception

Data was extracted in 2023

## ACCESS TO MODERN CONTRACEPTION

| Countries (in alphabetical order) | Ranking index of countries | POLICIES  |   |   |   |   |   |   | ACCESS                                  |   |   |   |  | FUNDING                             |  |   | Countries (in alphabetical order) |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|
|                                   |                            | Recognition of the right to choose number, timing and spacing of children | Existence of an official political plan, national policy or strategy related to contraception | Inclusion of contraceptive methods in the National Essential Medicine List (NEML) | Contraceptive-related commitments to EWEC, Nairobi Summit or FP2030 | Availability of a framework on SRHR education including information on all available modern contraceptives? | Availability of a census or survey including indicators on SRHR | Existence of a national committee on Contraceptive Supply | Availability of youth-friendly services | Existence of a government-led standalone webpage to inform on contraception | Existence of governmental awareness campaigns on contraceptives at a national level | Emergency contraception registration status | Availability of emergency contraception without prescription | Restrictions based on social status | Availability of funds allocated and spent on public sector contraceptive procurement | Level of contraception coverage within the National Health Insurance system |                                   | Existence of grants and/or donations of in-kind contraceptives |
| Afghanistan                       | 46,0%                      | N/A   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | No  | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | Not registered                              | N/A  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Afghanistan  |
| Bangladesh                        | 73,4%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | N/A  | No                                  | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Bangladesh   |
| Bhutan                            | 61,3%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Bhutan   |
| Brunei                            | 7,5%                       | No  | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | No  | No  | No  | No  | No                                      | No  | No  | Not registered                              | N/A  | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Brunei   |
| Cambodia                          | 90,1%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | No                                  | Yes  | Yes - fully   | Yes                               | Cambodia   |
| China                             | 62,8%                      | No  | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | No  | No                                      | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | Yes - fully   | No                                | China  |
| Fiji                              | 61,0%                      | In the Constitution   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | No  | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | N/A   | N/A  | No                                  | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Fiji   |
| Hong Kong                         | 65,0%                      | In a Policy   | No  | N/A   | No  | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | No  | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | No   | No                                  | Yes  | Yes - partially   | No                                | Hong Kong  |
| India                             | 75,1%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | Yes - fully   | Yes                               | India  |
| Indonesia                         | 63,5%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | No   | Yes                                 | No   | Yes - fully   | Yes                               | Indonesia  |
| Japan                             | 36,7%                      | No  | No  | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes, <5 years   | No  | N/A                                     | Yes   | No  | EC is registered                            | Yes  | No                                  | N/A  | No  | No                                | Japan  |
| Kazakhstan                        | 44,5%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes                                     | No  | No  | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Kazakhstan   |
| Kyrgyzstan                        | 69,8%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | No  | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | Yes                                 | Yes  | Yes - partially   | Yes                               | Kyrgyzstan   |
| Kiribati                          | 24,8%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | No  | No  | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | N/A   | No  | Not registered                              | Yes  | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Kiribati   |
| Laos                              | 69,8%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | N/A   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | Yes                                 | Yes  | Yes - fully   | Yes                               | Laos   |
| Macao                             | 9,6%                       | No  | No  | None/NEML not available   | No  | No  | N/A   | No  | No                                      | N/A   | No  | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | N/A                               | Macao  |
| Malaysia                          | 68,9%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Malaysia   |
| Maldives                          | 56,3%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | N/A   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | Not registered but imported                 | N/A  | N/A                                 | Yes  | Yes - fully   | Yes                               | Maldives   |
| Marshall Islands                  | 43,0%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | No  | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | Yes   | N/A   | N/A  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Marshall Islands   |
| Micronesia                        | 29,8%                      | No  | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | No  | No  | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes                                     | Yes   | No  | Not registered                              | N/A  | No                                  | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Micronesia   |
| Mongolia                          | 83,2%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | No                                  | Yes  | No  | No                                | Mongolia   |
| Myanmar                           | 56,2%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | No  | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | No  | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Myanmar  |
| Nauru                             | 11,5%                      | No  | Yes, partially via a regional agenda  | Between 1 and 5   | No  | No  | No  | N/A   | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | N/A   | N/A  | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Nauru  |
| Nepal                             | 65,4%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | N/A   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | N/A  | N/A                                 | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Nepal  |
| Pakistan                          | 70,1%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Pakistan   |
| Palau                             | 20,1%                      | No  | Yes, partially via a regional agenda  | None/NEML not available   | No  | No  | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Palau  |
| Papua New Guinea                  | 49,5%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | No  | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | No  | Not registered                              | N/A  | No                                  | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Papua New Guinea   |
| Philippines                       | 60,6%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - substantially (> 1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | Not registered                              | N/A  | Yes                                 | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Philippines  |
| Samoa                             | 31,7%                      | No  | Yes, partially via a regional agenda  | Between 1 and 5   | No  | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | Not registered                              | Yes  | No                                  | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Samoa  |
| Singapore                         | 25,5%                      | No  | No  | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | No  | No  | No                                      | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | N/A  | Yes - partially   | N/A                               | Singapore  |
| Solomon Islands                   | 11,6%                      | No  | Yes, partially via a regional agenda  | Between 1 and 5   | No  | No  | No  | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | Not registered                              | N/A  | N/A                                 | N/A  | N/A   | Yes                               | Solomon Islands  |
| South Korea                       | 26,7%                      | N/A   | No  | None/NEML not available   | No  | No  | Yes, <5 years   | No  | No                                      | No  | No  | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | Yes  | No  | N/A                               | South Korea  |
| Sri Lanka                         | 72,1%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Sri Lanka  |
| Taiwan                            | 22,9%                      | N/A   | No  | None/NEML not available   | N/A   | N/A   | N/A   | N/A   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | No   | N/A                                 | N/A  | No  | N/A                               | Taiwan   |
| Tajikistan                        | 64,6%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Tajikistan   |
| Thailand                          | 71,7%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | N/A   | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | Yes - fully   | No                                | Thailand   |
| Timor-Leste                       | 33,5%                      | No  | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | N/A   | N/A  | N/A                                 | N/A  | No  | Yes                               | Timor-Leste  |
| Tonga                             | 34,5%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | Between 1 and 5   | No  | No  | Yes, <5 years   | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | Not registered                              | Yes  | No                                  | No   | No  | Yes                               | Tonga  |
| Turkmenistan                      | 49,4%                      | In the Constitution   | No  | Between 6 and 10  | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | No                                      | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Turkmenistan   |
| Tuvalu                            | 24,8%                      | No  | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | No  | No  | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes, partially via a regional plan      | No  | No  | Not registered                              | Yes  | N/A                                 | N/A  | No  | Yes                               | Tuvalu   |
| Uzbekistan                        | 51,0%                      | In the Law or Act   | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | No  | Yes but >5y   | Yes   | N/A                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | N/A   | Yes                               | Uzbekistan   |
| Vanuatu                           | 38,1%                      | In a Policy   | Yes   | Between 6 and 10  | No  | Yes   | Yes but >5y   | No  | Yes                                     | Yes   | Yes   | Not registered                              | N/A  | N/A                                 | No   | N/A   | Yes                               | Vanuatu  |
| Vietnam                           | 63,7%                      | No  | Yes   | None/NEML not available   | Yes - partially (1)   | Yes   | Yes, <5 years   | Yes   | Yes                                     | No  | Yes   | EC is registered                            | Yes  | N/A                                 | Yes  | No  | Yes                               | Vietnam  |

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|-------------|-------|--|-------------|
| Australia   | 84,9% | Australia has been scored according to different criteria. For details on the score please visit the website: <a href="http://www.epfweb.org">www.epfweb.org</a>   | Australia   |
| New Zealand | 77,6% | New Zealand has been scored according to different criteria. For details on the score please visit the website: <a href="http://www.epfweb.org">www.epfweb.org</a> | New Zealand |

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