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Pilot Ceramics Residency in Rarotonga to Set Up and Establish the Cook Islands

REGIONAL HUB:	Pacific
CULTURAL SECTOR(S):	Fashion, design, crafts
BENEFICIARY (IES):	Pouarii Tanner
COUNTRIES COVERED BY THE ACTION:	Cook Islands
PROJECT DURATION:	01/2024 – 06/2024 (6 months)
BUDGET:	EUR 58 200 – EU FUNDING: EUR 58 200 (100 %)
WEBSITE:	N/A

The **'Pilot Ceramics Residency in Rarotonga to Set Up and Establish the Cook Islands'** aims to create the first and only indigenous women-led ceramic workshop on the island of Rarotonga, by establishing the Cook Islands Ceramics Centre

To achieve this, the infrastructure of an existing workshop will be expanded, and additional equipment will be purchased to facilitate collaboration and enhance educational activities.

The project aims to create new jobs in Rarotonga by training the local population in ceramic work.

By establishing a meeting place for other ceramic practitioners, especially in the Pacific, the project will facilitate the sharing of resources, knowledge, future creative collaborations, and exchanges.

This objective highlights the importance of revitalizing heritage artistic practices, such as Polynesian pottery, while developing a flourishing market and regional style for ceramics produced in the Cook Islands.

Finally, by focusing on producing high-quality local alternatives to plastic or imported products, using local materials, the project addresses environmental concerns and promotes sustainable lifestyles.



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