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## **USP STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT OF USPSA AND CHAIR OF STUDENT COUNCIL**

Following the successful election of new Executive Officers of council in our 23rd USPSA Federal Council meeting held on the 27th and 28th July, 2021, the USP Student Council is pleased to inform you all that Mr. Mani Mate of USP Cook Islands Campus, was unanimously elected as the President USPSA and Chair of Student Council. Mr. Mani Mate will assume office from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021.



Mr. Mani J. Mate

Mr. Mate will be based at the USP Cook Islands Campus and will operate from there in the new role. As President of USPSA, Mr. Mate also becomes a full member of the University of the South Pacific Council and the USP Senate, representing all USP Students.

Mr. Mate is currently pursuing a Postgraduate Diploma in Climate Change at USP Cook Islands Campus. In addition to his continuing education, Mr. Mate already holds a Bachelor of Commerce, Postgraduate Diploma in Arts and Master of Commerce degree. He currently works full-time with the Cook Islands Ministry of Finance and Economic Management as the Director of Development and Coordination Unit.

In congratulating Mr. Mate on his recent election, the Secretary General of USPSA Mr. Emosi Vakarua stated that “we are indeed delighted to have Mr. Mate on board as our new President and Chair of Council, we are ready to support Mr. Mate in his new role”.

*USPSA Secretariat*

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