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## **UN SIDS Partnerships Award**

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### **Regulations governing the United Nations Small Island Developing States Partnerships Awards**

#### **Article 1 Aim**

The aim of the United Nations Small Island Developing States Partnerships Awards is to recognize and reward the efforts of the best and most noteworthy, genuine and durable partnerships in the implementation of the sustainable development priorities of small island developing States consistent with the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway<sup>1</sup> and in line with the Small Island Developing States Partnerships criteria and norms.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Article 2 Award**

1. The award shall be presented to three partnerships in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the implementation of the sustainable development priorities of small island developing States, in each of the three pillars of sustainable development: the environmental, economic and social categories.
2. The award shall consist of a certificate; the title “Small Island Developing States Partnerships’ Most Distinguished Laureate”; the right to use the Small Island Developing States Partnerships laureate logo; and any other reward agreed to by the Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States.
3. The names of the laureates shall be announced, and the awards shall be presented at the annual global multi-stakeholder small island developing States partnership dialogue.

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<sup>1</sup> Resolution [69/15](#), annex.

<sup>2</sup> Available at [https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/21018Clean\\_version\\_SIDS\\_Partnership\\_Norms\\_final.pdf](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/21018Clean_version_SIDS_Partnership_Norms_final.pdf).

### **Article 3**

#### **Financial matters**

All costs related to the awards shall be financed by, and all financial resources composed of, voluntary contributions made specifically for the awards.

### **Article 4**

#### **Selection of laureates**

1. Recipients of the awards shall be selected by a judging panel from among the partnerships nominated under the terms of article 5.

2. The President of the General Assembly shall select the members of the judging panel, pursuant to nominations received from the Co-Chairpersons of the Steering Committee, for a period of two years. The panel shall comprise the following:

(a) One representative from the Co-Chairpersons of the Steering Committee, who shall chair;

(b) One representative from each of the three regions of small island developing States;

(c) Two representatives from the major groups and other relevant stakeholders.

3. The United Nations Secretariat shall have two ex officio members on the panel, and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States shall serve as the secretariat of the judging panel.

4. The judging panel shall meet at appropriate intervals, in line with the work programme of the Steering Committee, to select the laureates.

### **Article 5**

#### **Nomination and eligibility of candidates**

1. The awards shall be open to all small island developing States partnerships at the local, national, subregional, regional and global levels.

2. Self-nominations and nominations by third parties are both acceptable. Nominations can also be submitted by the following:

(a) Governments of Member States;

(b) Intergovernmental organizations;

(c) United Nations system organizations;

(d) Major groups and other relevant stakeholders.

3. All partnerships that strive to follow and are in line with the Small Island Developing States Partnerships criteria and norms and whose goals, objectives, outputs and outcomes are clearly linked to the achievement of the sustainable development priorities of small island developing States under the Samoa Pathway and/or the Sustainable Development Goals are eligible to be nominated.

4. The modalities for nomination, including documentation required, administrative matters, other requirements and judging criteria, including measures to prevent conflicts of interest among the judging panel and the nominees, shall be set forth in writing by the Co-Chairpersons of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States.