Multi-stakeholder Informative Webinar on the 4th International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4)

26 October 2023, 9:30 – 10:30 AM (EDT)

Draft Concept Note and Agenda

Background

The 4th International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4) will be held in Antigua and Barbuda from 27 - 30 May 2024, under the theme “Charting the course toward resilient prosperity”. It will aim to assess the ability of small island developing States (SIDS) to achieve sustainable development, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals. The SIDS4 Conference will bring together leaders to agree on a new programme of action for SIDS with a focus on practical and impactful solutions and to forge new partnerships and cooperation at all levels.

Multi-Stakeholder Informative Webinar on the SIDS4

A multi-stakeholder informative webinar will be held on 26 October 2023, from 9:30 – 10:30 AM (EDT). The objective of the webinar is to share updated information about the SIDS4 Conference with all stakeholders, and to offer an opportunity to build momentum around the SIDS4 Conference.

The webinar will include opening remarks from the Conference Host Country and Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the SIDS4, as well as updates by the UN Secretariat on the organization of the Conference. It will also feature a presentation on stakeholder engagement opportunities including the special accreditation process for non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders, followed by Q&A with participants.

All information related to the webinar, including recording and presentations will be published to the Conference’s website.

The webinar will be held on Zoom and is open to all interested stakeholders. Prior registration is required.

Please click here to register for the Webinar.

For more information about the webinar, please, check here: https://sdgs.un.org/events/sids4stakeholderwebinar
## Draft Agenda

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| 09:30 – 09:35 | Welcome Remarks and Agenda Review
  - Ms. Lotta Tahtinen, Chief, Outreach and Partnership Branch, DSDG, DESA |
| 09:35 – 09:45 | Vision for the SIDS4 Conference - Perspectives of the Host Country
  - H.E. Amb. Walton Alfonso Webson, Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations |
| 09:45 – 09:55 | The preparatory process for the SIDS4 Conference
  - H.E. Amb. Carolyn Schwalger, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations & Co-Chair of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4) |
| 09:55 – 10:05 | The SIDS4 Conference – An overview
  - Ms. Lotta Tahtinen, Chief, Outreach and Partnership Branch, DSDG, DESA
  
  An overview of the SIDS4 Conference, including main events and preparatory meetings. |
| 10:05 – 10:15 | Stakeholder Engagement and Special Accreditation Process for Non-Governmental Organizations and other relevant stakeholders
  - Ms. Naiara Costa, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Outreach and Partnership Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), DESA
  - Ms. Kathryn Good, Head, United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS), DGC |
| 10:15 – 10:25 | Q&A |
| 10:25 – 10:30 | Closing Remarks |