



## MULTI-STAKEHOLDER INFORMATIVE WEBINAR ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES (SIDS4)

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

**Draft Concept Note and Agenda**

### Background

The [4<sup>th</sup> 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

<b>09:30 – 09:35</b>	<b><u>Welcome Remarks and Agenda Review</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Lotta Tahtinen</b>, Chief, Outreach and Partnership Branch, DSDG, DESA</li></ul>
<b>09:35 – 09:45</b>	<b><u>Vision for the SIDS4 Conference - Perspectives from the Host Country</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>H.E. Amb. Walton Alfonso Webson</b>, Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations</li></ul>
<b>09:45 – 09:55</b>	<b><u>The preparatory process for the SIDS4 Conference – Messages from the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the SIDS4</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>H.E. Amb. Carolyn Schwalger</b>, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations</li><li>• <b>Mr. Ibrahim Zuhuree</b>, Deputy Permanent Representative of Maldives to the United Nations.</li></ul>
<b>09:55 – 10:05</b>	<b><u>The SIDS4 Conference – An overview</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Lotta Tahtinen</b>, Chief, Outreach and Partnership Branch, DSDG, DESA</li></ul>
<b>10:05 – 10:15</b>	<b><u>Stakeholder Engagement and Special Accreditation Process for Non-Governmental Organizations and other relevant stakeholders</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Naiara Costa</b>, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Outreach and Partnership Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), DESA</li><li>• <b>Ms. Kathryn Good</b>, Head, United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS), DGC</li></ul>
<b>10:15 – 10:25</b>	<b>Q&amp;A</b>
<b>10:25 – 10:30</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>