



SIDS4 Private Sector Roundtable - Concept Note

Date: 28 May 2024

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

Location: St. John, Antigua and Barbuda

Organizer: OHRLLS

Rationale

The SIDS4 Private Sector Roundtable will gather leaders from the private sector, island governments and development partners for a focused discussion on partnerships for resilient island economies, and the means to ensure an active private sector engagement in the implementation of the next programme of action for SIDS.

The Roundtable will also showcase outcomes from the SIDS Global Business Network Forum held on 25-26 May.

Objectives

1. Discuss the role of the private sector in achieving sustainable development in SIDS.
2. Identify key entry points for private sector engagement in the implementation of the next SIDS Programme of Action.
3. Explore/Announce partnerships and initiatives that can enhance private sector involvement in SIDS' sustainable development.

Agenda

- High-level opening remarks and context setting
- Interactive discussion
- Closing remarks and next steps

Participants

High-level representatives from SIDS governments, private sector leaders, international organizations and development partners.

Expected Outcomes

1. Affirmation of the role of the private sector in SIDS sustainable development.
2. Identification of means through which private sector can support implementation of the next programme of action for SIDS.
3. Commitments to action and strategic partnerships.

More Information

The Private Sector Roundtable is being organised by the UN Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN OHRLLS). For more information, contact Ms. Eva Marie Vestergaard (eva.vestergaard@un.org) and/or Mr. Damien Sass (sass@un.org).