



4TH INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON
**Small Island
Developing States**
2024

What is SIDS4?

Held every 10 years, the International Conference on Small Island Developed States (SIDS) is an intergovernmental event aimed at assessing the ability of SIDS to achieve sustainable development. Each conference has resulted in a forward-looking and action-oriented political outcome document.

This year marks the 4th International Conference on SIDS, under the theme 'Charting the course toward resilient prosperity'.

Who are the SIDS?

SIDS, as a grouping, is constituted by some 39 members of the United Nations, who because of their remote geographical locations and particular vulnerabilities, are exposed to significant challenges including the worsening impacts of climate change and a cycle of burdensome debt.

These nations are spread across three key regions: the Caribbean, the Pacific and the Atlantic, Indian Ocean and South China Sea (AIS)

SIDS4 therefore represents a rare opportunity to bring a cross section of interests and stakeholders together to not only devise solutions but bring global attention to SIDS pressing issues.

For the SIDS4
Programme,
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Where is SIDS4?

St John's, Antigua and Barbuda.

When?

27th - 30th of May, 2024

Who are the organizers?

The UN Secretary-General has appointed the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Li Junhua, as the Secretary-General of the Conference; and the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, Ms. Rabab Fatima, as Special Adviser for the Conference. UN DESA together with OHRLLS will also coordinate the inter-agency preparations and contribution of the United Nations system to the Conference.

What can I expect?

SIDS4 will feature eight plenary meetings, including opening and closing segments, and five interactive dialogues.

Interactive dialogues will be collaborative and multi-stakeholder in nature, with consideration for gender and geographical balance, and will be focused on addressing existing and new and emerging challenges for the sustainable development of SIDS.

For more information, visit the Department of Social and Economic Activity's website:

<https://sdgs.un.org/conferences/sids2024>

And, Antigua and Barbuda's website:

<https://sids4.gov.ag/index.php>