



4TH INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON  
**Small Island  
Developing States**  
27-30 MAY, 2024  
ST. JOHN'S, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

# Side Events Programme

Outside the Conference Venue across  
Antigua & Barbuda

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# Monday 27 May, off-site side events

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TIME	LEAD ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZING PARTNERS	TITLE	SHORT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	CONTACT
14:00-15:30	SIDS DOCK (Small Island Developing States Dock)	SIDS DOCK Secretariat, SIDS DOCK Island Women Open Network (IWON), Austria, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Global Network of Regional Sustainable Energy Centers (GN-SEC), Kingdom of Tonga, Commonwealth of Dominica, Belize, Republic of Seychelles, Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe	<b><u>Fair and sustainable supply chains for botanical and herbal supplier high-value products from SIDS and coastal developing countries</u></b>	Austria supports the 3rd Meeting of the Island Women Open Network (IWON): Development of a global sustainable botanical/herbal supplier market from small islands and coastal developing countries.	Villa Ordnance, English Harbour, St. John's	secretariat@sidsdock.org
14:00-15:30	Island Innovation	Special Envoy of the BESS islands for EU and UN and Economic Development with Latin America and Caribbean, Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations of Netherlands	<b><u>Catalysing Climate Finance Flows for Overseas Territories and Sub-National Island Jurisdictions</u></b>	This event will focus on how extreme weather events caused by climate change, and the resulting losses in SNIJs show a specific vulnerability when it comes to accessing funds for climate resilience.	Antigua & Barbuda Hospitality Training Institute	stacey@islandinnovation.co

## Tuesday 28 May, off-site side events

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TIME	LEAD ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZING PARTNERS	TITLE	SHORT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	CONTACT
9:00-10:30	Office of the Prime Minister, Government of Antigua and Barbuda	Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism, CARICOM Secretariat, and National Fisheries Authority of Jamaica	<b><u>Revitalizing SIDS Economies &amp; Food and Nutrition Security Through Sustainable Use of Marine Resources</u></b>	An interactive multi-agency discussion on the sustainable use of living marine resources and the vital role of aquatic foods (including fish and other seafood) in the post-COVID revitalization.	Azure Conference Hall, Trade Winds Hotel, St. John's, Antigua	communications@crfm.int
13:00-14:30	World Futures Studies Federation	The Futures Forum	<b><u>WHAT SIDS WANT: A Futures Dialogue on Resilient Economies</u></b>	Using a SMART Futures Dialogue process, we will explore aspirational scenarios of resilient economies in 2034 and undertake to define roadmaps to success through shared vision and coalition- building.	TBD	SIDSFutures@thefuturesforum.org
14:00-15:30	Caribbean Biodiversity Fund	Inter-American Development Bank IDB	<b><u>Blue Futures: Pioneering Sustainable Finance Models for Marine Conservation in the Caribbean and Beyond</u></b>	Facing climate threats, the Caribbean's vital ecosystems see the CBF, IDB, OECS, and World Bank lead with innovative conservation financing.	Casa Pamadita 46G5+HH8, Fitches Cl, Osborn, Antigua and Barbuda	tbervoets@caribbeanbiodiversityfund.org
18:30-20:00	Fauna & Flora	Department of Sustainable Development - Government of St. Lucia, Re:wild/Fauna & Flora, Environment Awareness Group	<b><u>Restoring nature together to underpin resilient prosperity in SIDS</u></b>	Focusing on multi-partner island restoration projects in the Caribbean and beyond, this will feature the ways in which nature can revitalise SIDS' economies and contribute to international targets.	Antigua and Barbuda Hospitality Training Institute	marisa.victor@fauna-flora.org

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TIME	LEAD ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZING PARTNERS	TITLE	SHORT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	CONTACT
TBD	World Food Programme	CARICOM Secretariat	<b><u>Beyond Numbers: Closing Data Gaps to Tackle Food Insecurity</u></b>	This panel will explore key trends and opportunities for how data to be at the heart of actionable solutions to tackle food insecurity.	TBD	javier.spencer@wfp.org
07:00-08:30	Hawaii Local2030 Hub ( Local2030 Islands Network) and Local2030 Islands Network	Antigua and Barbuda, Palau and United States	<b><u>Local2030 Islands Network Island Leaders Summit</u></b>	- Navigating Crises, Fostering Partnerships, and Accelerating Sustainable Development in Small Island Developing States (SIDS). BY INVITATION ONLY	Antigua and Barbuda Hospitality Training Institute	info@islands2030.org
09:00-10:30	Office of the Prime Minister, Government of Antigua and Barbuda	Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism, CARICOM Secretariat, and Green Initiative	<b><u>Accelerating the Decarbonization of Fisheries in the Caribbean: from science-based targets to climate mitigation finance</u></b>	An interactive engagement intended to strengthen the dialogue on the importance of science-based targets to climate mitigation finance in fisheries and aquaculture.	Azure Conference Hall, Trade Winds Hotel, St. John's, Antigua	communications@crfm.int
10:00-11:30	Island Innovation	World Food Programme Caribbean Multi-Country Office Barbados	<b><u>Financing on the edge: Making climate finance work for the Caribbean's most vulnerable populations.</u></b>	This event will explore strategies to ensure climate finance is accessible and effective for those who need it most, facilitating adaptation and resilience-building efforts in the Caribbean region.	Antigua & Barbuda International Institute of Technology	stacey@islandinnovation.co
14:00-15:30	Island Innovation	Government of Antigua & Barbuda Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment; Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP); Islands and Small States Institute of the University of Malta (ISSI)	<b><u>Facilitating innovation and capacity building in SIDS: Leveraging the power of technology to foster economic and social and cultural resilience</u></b>	This event will explore the role of technological innovation in economic development, and the importance of addressing societal inequities through supporting entrepreneurship and cultural heritage.	TBD	stacey@islandinnovation.co

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