

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations



Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations

Excellency,

20 February 2025

In our capacity as Co-Chairs of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States (SIDS), we have the honour to inform you that an expert level meeting of the Steering Committee will be held on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of March 2025, from 10:00am to 12:00pm**, in **Conference Room 6**. Interpretation services will be provided on an as-available basis.

We recall paragraph 37 of the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for SIDS - A Renewed Declaration for Resilient Prosperity (ABAS), requests: "The United Nations Secretary-General, in consultation with States and through the Steering Committee on SIDS Partnerships, to present recommendations for strengthening the SIDS Partnership Framework, the SIDS Global Business Network, and its Forum".

To deliver on paragraph, we have circulated the questionnaire to all Member States. We thank you for those who have provided valuable inputs and for their engagement.

The purpose of this meeting is to brief expert members on initial inputs received so far, seek additional feedback, and discuss the way forward. The provisional agenda is attached for your information.

We also have the pleasure to share with you the programme of work for 2025 in the attachment. Should you have any comments, please send them to the Secretariat, to Mr. Sai S. Navoti <u>sai.navoti@un.org</u> and Ms. Tishka Francis <u>tishka.francis@un.org</u>, copy to Ms. Sae Kajima <u>kajima@un.org</u> by **28** February 2025.

We thank you for your continuous support in advancing partnerships for Small Island Developing States and in driving the implementation of the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for Small Island Developing States.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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