

Concept Note: UNDESA–CBAS SIDS Knowledge-sharing and Briefing Event

On Big Data and Digital Tools for Sustainable Development in SIDS

2025 HLPF Side Event

Date & Time: Friday, 18 July 2025 | 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Venue: S-1520, 15th Floor Meeting Room, UN Secretariat Building

Organizers:

United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)

International Research Center of Big Data for Sustainable Development Goals (CBAS)

Programme

Time	Agenda Item
03:00 PM – 3:10 PM	Opening Remarks — UN DESA and CBAS Representatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Astra Bonini, Chief, IPAB/DSDG, DESA- Prof. GUO Huadong, Director General, CBAS
03:10 PM – 3:30 PM	Overview: insights from SIDS-focused capacity-building efforts and potential for using foresight and geospatial datasets for national Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Roadmaps <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Wei Liu, DSDG, DESA- Mr. Luis Gerardo Gonzalez Morales, UNSD, DESA- Ms. Adriana Alberti and Ms. Azeema Adam, DPIDG, DESA
03:30 PM – 3:40 PM	Presentations: Highlights from 2024 Beijing Workshop & Workshop in Addis Ababa <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Sai Navoti, DSDG, DESA- Prof. Gretchen Kalonji, CBAS

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03:40 PM – 3:45 PM	CBAS Presentation: Data and Platforms to Support SDG Implementation in SIDS - Mr. Sun Zhongchang, CBAS
03:45 PM – 3:50 PM	Update: 2025 Capacity Building Workshop in Beijing and SIDS Tailored Support Plans - Mr. Wang Lei, CBAS
03:50 PM – 4:25 PM	Open Discussion: Member State Reflections and Suggestions for Future Work
04:25 PM – 4:30 PM	Closing Remarks and Next Steps by DESA, Summary and Invitations for Engagement - Mr. Sai Navoti, DSDG, DESA