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**Workshop on National Sustainable Development Strategies in Pacific Island States  
Draft Programme**

**United Nations Headquarters  
New York, 4-5 May 2006**

**Thursday, 4 May 2006**

**Opening session**

Chair: H.E. Mr. Robert Guba Aisi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Papua New Guinea

9:30 – 10:15

*Welcome* by Ms. JoAnne Disano, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)

*Statement* by H. E. Mr. Aldo Mantovani, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy

*Statement* by H.E. Mr. Robert Guba Aisi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Papua New Guinea

Introduction of participants

10:15 – 11:15

*Workshop introduction and Characteristics of National Sustainable Development Strategies (NSDS)*

Presentation by Ms. Mary Pat Silveira, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

Open discussion

11:15 – 11:30

Break

**Session 1: Status of NSDS in Pacific Islands**

Chair: Ms. Mary Pat Silveira, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

11:30 – 13:00

*Presentations* (15 minutes each) by national focal points from Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu  
Comments by participants

13:00 – 14:30

Break for lunch

**Session 1: Status of NSDS in Pacific Islands (cont'd)**

Chair: Ms. Padma Lal, Sustainable Development Advisor, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

14:30 – 16:00

*Presentations* (15 minutes each) by national focal points from Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Palau,

Comments by participants

16:00 – 16:15 Break

16:15 – 18:00 *Presentations* (15 minutes each) by national focal points from Cook Islands, Samoa, Niue, Tonga and Tuvalu

Comments by participants

**Friday, 5 May 2006**

**Session 1: Status of NSDS in Pacific Islands (cont'd)**

Chair: Ms. Carol Flore-Smrecznik, Pacific Regional MDG Specialist, United Nations Development Programme Pacific Sub Regional Centre

9:30 – 11:30 *Regional Commonalities and Differences*  
Presentation by Mr. Russell Howorth, Consultant, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

Open Discussion

11:30 – 11:45 Break

**Session 2: Monitoring NSDS and the Role of Indicators**

Chair: Ms. Carol Flore-Smrecznik, UNDP

11:45 – 13:00 *Presentation* by Mr. Matthias Bruckner, Associate Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

Discussion

13:00 – 14:30 Break for lunch

**Session 3: NSDS in the Pacific – Next Steps**

Chair: Ms. Mary Pat Silveira, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

14:30 – 16:15 Discussion

16:15 – 16:30 Break

16:30- 18:00 Discussion and agreement on time table and responsibilities