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1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Organisational Matters
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 - a. Social Inclusion
 - b. Environmental Integrity
 - c. Equitable Economic Growth
 - d. Means of Implementation
5. Addressing Development Challenges through Partnerships
 - a. Developing genuine and durable partnerships – good practices and lessons learned
 - b. Identifying and addressing the gaps through partnerships for SIDS
 - c. Strengthening the review and monitoring process of partnerships for SIDS
6. Priority Actions and Strategies for Implementation
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8. Closing Session



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Time	Particulars
Day One	Tuesday 19th June 2018
8:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:00 – 9:45	<p>Opening Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer (<i>Host Country</i>) • Welcome and Opening Remarks (<i>Host Country</i>) • Opening Remarks: UN (USG OHRLLS, Ms Fekitamoeola 'Utoikamanu) • Opening Remarks: AOSIS (<i>Chair/Vice-Chair tbc</i>) • High-Level Statement: (Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway) • Keynote Address: (<i>Host Country</i>) <p>This session addresses Agenda 1 – Opening of the Meeting. The Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting will be opened by a Prayer, a welcome remark by the Host Country, the UN, the Chair of AOSIS, and a Keynote Address by the Kingdom of Tonga.</p>
9:45 – 10:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:15 – 10:30	<p>Adoption of the agenda and Organization of Work (<i>Chair – Host Country Representative</i>)</p> <p>This session deals with Agenda Item 2 – Organizational Matters. The Chair will define the objectives of the meeting (objectives, outputs, structure of the report and related aspects) in the context of the regional preparatory processes for the mid-term review of the SAMOA Pathway. The specific outputs expected of the meeting will also be identified. The structure of the report to be adopted by the meeting and a possible regional declaration will also be outlined. Discussions on the Agenda and Organization of Work including adoption will be addressed in this session.</p>
10:30 – 12:30	Session 1: SIDS Sustainable Development Agenda in the Pacific Region

	<p><i>(Chair – Host Country Representative)</i> <i>(Facilitator – Ms. Osnat Lubrani, UN Resident Coordinator Pacific Multi-Country Office, Fiji)</i></p> <p>This session deals with Agenda Item 3 – SIDS Sustainable Development Agenda in the Pacific Region and seeks a common understanding amongst the participants of: (1) the global, regional and country context of the SAMOA Pathway Mid Term Review; and, (2) how the SAMOA Pathway is being integrated into and reported as part of the Pacific Sustainable Development Agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the SIDS Agenda within a global and regional context (DESA-OHRLLS/ESCAP) • Pacific Regional Sustainable Development Agenda: Pacific Regional Report and the MTR Process: • Pacific Regional Report (Pacific Islands Forum Chair Representative, Ms Peseta Noumea Simi) • MTR Process and Meeting Paper (Head of ESCAP Pacific Office, Mr Iosefa Maiava) • Implementation of the SAMOA Pathway in a PSIDS: The Case of Tonga – Achievements, Gaps and Challenges
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 15:15	<p>Session 2(a): Social Inclusion</p> <p>Assessing Progress – Achievements, Gaps and Challenges <i>(Chair – Host Country Representative)</i> <i>(Facilitator – Dr. Ofa Ketu’u, Director of Statistics, SPC)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next four sessions deal with Agenda Item 4 – Assessing Progress Achievement, Gaps and Challenges. The sessions will be made up of interactive plenary and group discussions on the regional priorities of SIDS. Countries will share national best practice and achievements as well as challenges and gaps in areas related to regional priorities and systems. • Social themes include: Poverty, Social Protection and Inequality; Gender and Disability; Health and NCDs; Water and Sanitation; Quality Education; and Culture. • Resource representatives to aid the discussion: Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, UNESCO, UNICEF, PIFS
15:15 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45 – 17:15	<p>Session 2(b): Environmental Integrity</p> <p>Assessing Progress – Achievements, Gaps and Challenges <i>(Chair – Host Country Representative)</i> <i>(Facilitator – Mr. Kosi Latu, Director-General, SPREP)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment themes include: Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction; Oceans and Integrated Ocean Management; Food Security; and Sustainable Production and Consumption. • Resource representatives to aid the discussion: Palau, Marshall Islands, UNEP, FAO, UNDP, SPC, PIFS
Day Two	Wednesday 20th June 2018
8:30 – 10:15	<p>Session 2(c): Equitable Economic Growth</p> <p>Assessing Progress – Achievements, Gaps and Challenges <i>(Chair – Host Country Representative)</i></p>

	<p><i>(Facilitator – Mr. Iosefa Maiava, Head, ESCAP Pacific Office)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic themes include: Sustainable Transport; Sustainable Energy; Sustainable Tourism; Migration/Remittances; Connectivity and ICT • Resource representatives to aid the discussion: Cook Islands, Nauru, UNDP, PIFS, SPTO, SPC
10:15 – 10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 – 12:30	<p>Session 2(d): Means of Implementation</p> <p>Assessing Progress – Achievements, Gaps and Challenges <i>(Chair – Host Country Representative)</i> <i>(Facilitator – Ms. Simona Marinescu, UN Resident Coordinator Pacific Multi-Country Office, Samoa)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Means of Implementation themes include: Finance; Trade; Technology/ICT; Data and Statistics, and an assessment of Development Effectiveness • Resource representatives to aid the discussion: Samoa, Vanuatu, ESCAP, PIFS, SPC, UNDP
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 15:15	<p>Session 3: Addressing Development Challenges through Partnerships <i>(Co-Chairs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>H.E. Ms. Lois M. Young. Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> - <i>Italy, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> <p><i>(Facilitator – Ms. Anna Naupa, ESCAP)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The next three sessions deal with Agenda Item 5 – Addressing Development Challenges through Partnerships. - This session deals with Agenda Item 5(a) – Developing genuine and durable partnerships – good practices and lessons learned. It will commence with presentations by UN-DESA and PIFS, and will look at various partnerships for SIDS in the Pacific, examining how they have been developed, how they were governance, what are the leadership roles and partnership evaluation methods, and any challenges in implementation.
15:15 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45 – 17:30	<p>Session 3: Cont. <i>(Co-Chairs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>H.E. Ms. Lois M. Young. Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> - <i>Italy, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> <p><i>(Facilitator – Ms. Peseta Noumea Simi, Pacific Islands Forum Chair Representative)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session deals with Agenda Item 5(b) – Identifying and addressing the gaps through partnerships for SIDS. UN-DESA and PIFS will present in-depth analysis on the status of partnership for SIDS in the Pacific region and provide an opportunity for SIDS to

	<p>discuss how to address gaps in the SAMOA Pathway priority areas and the SDGs through new genuine and durable partnerships needed for the region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presenters are: Mr. Ola Goransson, Partnerships Coordinator, UN-DESA Ms. Charmina Saili, Regional Planning Adviser, PIFS Country/Partner presentations (Palau/RMI tbc)
Day Three	Thursday 21st June 2018
8:30 – 10:15	<p>Session 3: Cont.</p> <p><i>Co-Chairs –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>H.E. Ms. Lois M. Young, Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> - <i>Italy, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS</i> <p><i>(Facilitator – Mr. Ola Goransson, UN-DESA)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session deals with Agenda Item 5(c) – Strengthening the review and monitoring process of partnerships for SIDS. It will provide an opportunity to discuss how the processes of the SIDS Partnership Framework that relate to monitoring progress of existing partnerships and stimulating the launch of new, genuine and durable partnerships for the sustainable development of SIDS, could be strengthened. • Country/Partner presentations (Nauru tbc)
10:15 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 13:00	<p>Session 4(a) – Priority Actions and Strategies for Implementation</p> <p>(CLOSED SESSION)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This and the session that follows deal with Agenda Item 6 – Priority Actions and Strategies for Implementation. • This session will consider priority actions for further implementations and the strategies or systems for their advancement. The selection of priority actions will be guided by key SIDS principles (i.e. ‘special and differential treatment’; and ‘common but differentiated responsibilities’) in the SAMOA Pathway and the call for “adequate and timely analysis based on SIDS-relevant targets and indicators ... to ensure accountability at all levels” (paragraph 124). The first presentation will explain the rationale behind the priority action and seek the agreement of the meeting. The second part of the session will consider ways of enhancing through national, regional and global systems the accountability and implementation of the SIDS agenda. • Presentation by the Drafting Committee of the List of Priority Actions from sessions 1, 2, and 3; followed by interactive discussion/breakout sessions. • Integrated Approaches – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Approaches/Systems - Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development - A global and regional ‘monitoring and accountability’ framework for the SAMOA Pathway with targets and indicators, including for Partnerships

	- Agenda 2030 and Follow Up and Review
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:30 – 16:00	Session 4(b) – Priority Actions and Strategies for Implementation Break-out session & report (CLOSED SESSION)
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:30 – 17:30	Session 5 – Presentation and Adoption of the Draft Regional Outcome Document
17:30	Closing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remarks by USG OHRLLS, Ms. Ms Fekitamoeola 'Utoikamanu • Remarks by <i>Host Country</i>

NOTE 1: Access to the various sessions are as follows:

- Sessions 1 – 2 – all participants may attend
- Session 3 Partnership Dialogue -
- Session 4 (Closed) – OLA to advise

NOTE 2:

- Session Chairs will introduce agenda items, manage interventions and provide a summary at the end of each session.
- Session Facilitators are the primary resource person for the agenda item, and will provide an overview of issues to kick-start plenary discussion, as well as support the Chair in managing the plenary discussion.
- Resource representatives will be invited as expert practitioners for the agenda item to briefly share and lessons on the topic.