



**Inter-Regional Preparatory Meeting
For the Mid Term Review of the SAMOA Pathway
30 October – 1 November 2018
Apia, Samoa**

DRAFT PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting

The Opening Session of the Inter-Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Midterm Review of the SAMOA Pathway will commence at 9:00 at the Tatte Convention Center, Apia Samoa to be presided over by a Minister of Government or his/her designate.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organizational matters

This session, will adopt the Draft Provisional Agenda, elect the Bureau for the Meeting, and adopt the programme of work for the Meeting. The elected members of the Bureau will be invited to take their seats on the podium.

Documentation

Provisional agenda and annotations
Provisional programme of work

3. Review of progress in the implementing the SAMOA Pathway at the national, regional and global levels:

a. Presentation of the Outcomes of the regional preparatory meetings;

Representatives from the governments of the Member States which hosted the SIDS Regional Meetings in the three SIDS regions will be invited to give an overview of the main conclusions of their respective regional outcomes as contained in the Regional Outcome Documents.

b. Report on the Analysis of the SIDS Partnerships

UNDESA will present the findings of the analysis undertaken on SIDS Partnerships including those launched at the Ocean Conference. Following the presentation the Chairperson of the Meeting will invite delegates to make interventions and to share views on possible next steps with respect to Partnerships

c. Interactive discussion among Member States, the United Nations system, regional organisations and other stakeholders on the implementation of SAMOA Pathway

UNDESA and OHRLLS will present an Inter-Regional Synthesis report. Following the presentation of the Inter-Regional Synthesis report, the Chairperson of the Meeting will invite delegates to make interventions as well as to focus the discussion on the need for a “Common Vision” for SIDS based on the discussions which took place in the three SIDS regions including the ideas contained in the three Regional Synthesis Reports.

Documentation

SIDS Regional Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)

Regional Preparatory Meeting Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)

Outcomes of the regional preparatory meetings (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)

Synthesis report

4. Strengthening the means of implementation of the SAMOA Pathway and Addressing the Challenges in SIDS:

a. Means of Implementation, including Partnerships;

This session will give focused attention to the practical and pragmatic actions needed to facilitate the effective implementation of the SAMOA Pathway across a range of areas emanating for the 3 outcome documents, including partnerships. The session will take the form of facilitated panel discussions. The actions identified will inform discussions on priority setting. Among the thematic issues to be discussed are: (i) achieving economic and financial sustainability in SIDS; (ii) confronting climate change, reducing vulnerability and building resilience in SIDS; (iii) developing enabling environments for people-centered development; and (iv) fostering enabling environments for stakeholder participation and partnerships.

b. Institutional support for SIDS in the implementation of the SAMOA Pathway including within the context of the 2030 Agenda.

The SAMOA Pathway reinforces the international recognition of SIDS as a special case for development and serves as an international framework to advance the sustainable development priorities of small island developing states. This session will give focused attention to the institutional support provided by the UN system Funds, Programmes, Agencies, Regional Commissions and international intergovernmental organizations for implementation of the SAMOA Pathway. Discussions will focus on how to address and accelerate support for the attainment of SIDS sustainable development objectives, within the context of the ongoing changes to the development system and the opportunity presented by the MTR process to strengthen institutional and targeted international support for SIDS, including allocation of resources.

In this connection, this session will further give due attention to the appropriate modalities for the effective monitoring, follow-up and review of the SAMOA Pathway (in keeping with their recognition as a special case for sustainable development that remains

under the full ownership of SIDS) in the context of other international sustainable development agendas i.e. the 2030 Agenda, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, the Paris Agreement and the New Urban Agenda.

Documentation

SIDS Regional Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Regional Preparatory Meeting Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Outcomes of the regional preparatory meetings (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Synthesis report

5. Priorities for SIDS for the Midterm Review of the SAMOA Pathway

This session will provide an opportunity for a dialogue on priorities for SIDS for the Midterm Review of the SAMOA Pathway.

Documentation

SIDS Regional Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Regional Preparatory Meeting Reports (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Outcomes of the regional preparatory meetings (AIMS, Caribbean, Pacific)
Synthesis report

6. Adoption of the Outcome.

The Draft Outcome Document will be presented.

Documentation

Draft Outcome Document

7. Closing of the meeting.