PARTNERSHIPS FOR SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES

2016 CALL FOR GLOBAL ACTION

The Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS Conference) was held from 1 to 4 September 2014 in Apia, Samoa. Around 300 Small Island Developing States (SIDS) partnerships were announced towards and during the Conference.



As a direct follow up to SIDS Conference, the 70th session of General Assembly decided to

formally establish, through resolution A/70/202, the SIDS Partnership Framework, to monitor and ensure the full implementation of pledges and commitments through partnerships for Small Island developing States, as well as to encourage new partnerships new, genuine and durable partnerships for the sustainable development of SIDS.

The SIDS Partnership Framework consist, in short, of

- A Steering Committee, now chaired by Maldives and Italy
- The organization of an annual Global Multi-stakeholder SIDS Partnership Dialogue
- A partnership reporting template

The SIDS Partnership Framework also encourages national and regional partnership dialogues to be organized.





Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States

The Steering Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies, and is supporting the follow-up of existing, and promotes and advocates the launching of new, partnerships that advance the sustainable development in SIDS.

The first meeting of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS was held on 25 February 2016 at UN Headquarters in New York. It was a landmark event for the follow up to the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS) in Apia, Samoa, in September 2014, when around 300 partnerships were announced. The Steering Committee will play an important role in guiding the partnerships to ensure the full implementation of the Samoa Pathway.

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will take place in June, New York.

More information about the Steering Committee and its work: www.sids2014.org/steering-committe

Stock-taking event on SIDS Partnerships at the High-level Political Forum

SAVE THE DATE: It's now been almost two years since the international community came together at the SIDS Conference, pledging its support to the sustainable development of SIDS, and the announcement of a range of partnerships devoted to SIDS. What has been the progress of these partnerships since 2014?



On the occasion of the 2016 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, scheduled for 11-20 July 2016, Maldives and Italy, in their capacity as co-chairs of the Steering Committee on

Partnerships for SIDS, are organizing a stock taking event on SIDS Partnerships, in collaboration with the UN Secretariat. The event will provide an opportunity for reviewing progress made by existing partnerships, sharing of good practices, lessons learned and challenges and to encourage the launch of new partnerships for sustainable development of Small Island developing States.

If you are interested in **presenting the progress of your SIDS partnership** at this event, please let us know by sending an email to goranssono@un.org by **1 June 2016**.

SIDS Action Platform - www.sids2014.org

Launch of SIDS Partnership Reporting template & SIDS Action Platform 2.0

As mandated by the SIDS Partnership Framework, DESA, in collaboration with the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS, has developed a standardized reporting template and process for SIDS partnerships, for the purpose of informing all stakeholders on the progress of SIDS partnerships.

The template, and an upgraded SIDS Action Platform, is now available at: www.sids2014.org. All focal points of SIDS partnerships are encouraged to engage and share their partnership updates through the established template, once a year until their partnership is completed.

Inputs through the template will be used to prepare relevant reports by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as well be regularly featured in UN websites, social media channels, and newsletters. In addition, submitted inputs will be used to inform the 2030 Agenda follow-up and review process at the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

Instructions

How to fill out the partnership reporting template?

- 1. Sign in at: www.sids2014.org
- Click (in the upper right corner) My Account->My initiatives and
 "Submit progress report" next to the name of your partnership
- 3. Fill out the form and submit at the end.



The SIDS Action Platform is now fully integrated with the Partnerships for SDGs platform.

No username/password? Send us a message at sustainabledevelopment.un.org/contact Problem filling out the online reporting template? Fill out the Word version and send to sustainabledevelopment.un.org/contact Download word version at: www.sids2014.org/partnership/progress See list of submitted reports at: www.sids2014.org/partnership/progress

Deadline : 1 July 2016

Submit progress report through the template before 1 July in order to be referenced in 2016 Publication on SIDS Partnerships

Register SIDS partnerships at: www.sids2014.org/register

Global Multi-stakeholder SIDS Partnership Dialogue

The SIDS Partnership Framework mandated the UN Secretariat to organize an annual, action-oriented, results-focused Global Multi-stakeholder SIDS Partnership Dialogue.

The dialogue will provide an opportunity for reviewing progress made by existing partnerships, sharing of good practices, lessons learned and challenges and solutions from SIDS partnerships. The dialogue will also be a platform for the launch of new partnerships for Small Island developing States.

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September, New York

SAVE THE DATE: The first Global Multi-stakeholder SIDS Partnership Dialogue will be held in September 2016. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Publication on Partnerships for SIDS

As an input to the Global Multi-stakeholder SIDS Partnership Dialogue in September, the Secretariat and the co-chairs of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for SIDS, is preparing a publication of the progress of SIDS partnerships since the SIDS Conference.

To contribute to the publication, please fill out the partnership reporting template, which now is available at: www.sids2014.org, before **1 July 2016**

