



SAMOA Pathway Midterm Review High-Level Luncheon

Mission Transforming Island Lives! The Network of Regional Sustainable Energy Centres for Small Island Developing States

27th September 2019

High Level Luncheon, Delegates Dining Room

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Guidelines for facilitators, moderators and speakers

General

Speakers are kindly requested to **meet the facilitator 15 minutes before the start** of the luncheon in the [Delegates Dining Room](#), United Nations Headquarters. The tight schedule of the luncheon event requires the facilitator *to keep strict time discipline*. The working language of the event will be English. No interpretation will be provided. Further information is available in the concept note and: www.gn-sec.net.

Media

To optimize the media coverage during and after the luncheon, we would appreciate **to receive remarks/speeches in written form at latest by 20 September 2019**. Please highlight a quote, which should be preferable used in a press release or disseminated by social media.

Registration

Please do not forget to register online ahead to the luncheon by using the provided registration link: <https://forms.gle/rxXYfpaPSm3FcwVR6>. **Participants need to be accredited for the SAMOA Pathway Midterm Review to access the UN Building.**

Contacts

- If you have any questions related to the event contents or your remarks, please contact Mr. Martin Lugmayr and Mr. Albert Binger (m.lugmayr@unido.org; abinger@sidsdock.org).
- If you face any last-minute challenges concerning your participation, please call Ms. Christine Duncan, SIDS DOCK (mobile 1-404-831-8903) or Ms. Mie Vedel-Jorgensen, UNIDO New York Office (mobile +1 917-367-9461).
- Please direct general enquiries to: sids@unido.org

Participants

High-level delegates from Small Island Developing States (SIDS), representatives from United Nations agencies, bilateral donor agencies, international financial institutions, foundations and corporations (by invitation only).

Objectives

The high-level luncheon will review the progress of the SAMOA Pathway Partnership on the Network of Regional Sustainable Energy Centers for SIDS. Each regional center will get the opportunity to “pitch” its transformative vision and one innovative regional priority program to the participating high-level delegates for discussion and consideration. As a follow-up to the luncheon, the centers and their key partners will jointly develop and promote the programs. It is expected to organize a follow-up meeting at the [2020 Vienna Energy Forum](#) scheduled to take place in June 2020 at the Vienna Hofburg, Austria.

Time-line

Introduction by the Facilitator, 1.00 to 1.10 pm

The facilitator will welcome all speakers and participants to the luncheon and will explain the key objectives and procedures. **The facilitator will be responsible to keep strict time-discipline during the event.**

01:00	Introduction and facilitation by Mr. Albert Binger, SIDS DOCK Secretary-General
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Video: SIDS Children Call for Climate Action, 1.10 to 1.15

The participants will be introduced to the video. The importance of youth participation and involvement in the SIDS energy and climate transformation will be highlighted.

01:10	<u>Introductory video</u> : SIDS Children Call for Climate Action (5 min), introduced by Mr. Albert Binger, SIDS DOCK Secretary-General, on behalf of the SIDS DOCK Island Women Open Network (IWON)
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Opening Remarks, 1.15 to 1.30

The co-organizers and host will give short opening remarks to set the tone for the Luncheon. The statements will refer to the interrelated energy, climate and development challenges of SIDS. Continued fossil fuel (import) dependency and climate change impacts hamper the social and economic development of future island generations. The benefits of shifting from fossil fuel based to renewable energy and energy efficiency based economies will be explained. The speakers will refer to the achieved progress regarding the established SIDS sustainable energy targets and actions in the SAMOA Pathway and SDG-7. The network of regional centers will be highlighted as a good UN example for a “genuine” and “durable” SAMOA Pathway partnership, directed towards long-term change and impact. The important role of the centers to mitigate barriers for integrated and inclusive regional sustainable energy technology markets in SIDS will be underlined. References to the SIDS priority actions identified by the UN Climate Summit will be made. **The facilitator will keep strict time-discipline.**



01:15	<p><u>Opening remarks (max. 3 min each) – given from a podium</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. LI Yong, Director General of UNIDO ▪ H.E. Mr. Keith Mitchell, Prime Minister, Grenada, SIDS DOCK President ▪ Ms. Fekitamoeloa Katoa ‘Utoikamanu, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, UN-OHRLLS ▪ Ms. Rachel Kyte, CEO and Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All
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Remarks on the SAMOA Pathway Partnership on regional sustainable energy centers, 1.30 to 2.00

Country representatives will explain why they decided to host the regional centres and how the country and the entire region are benefiting. The country representatives will express their expectations from the centres and will outline potential regional priority actions or programs. Key donors will explain why they are supporting the centres and for which reasons they consider regional and SIDS-SIDS cooperation an important vehicle to accelerate the energy and climate transformation. **The facilitator will keep strict time-discipline.**

01.30	<p><u>Remarks on the SAMOA Pathway Partnership on regional centres (max. 3 min each) – given from a podium</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ H.E. Ms. Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister, Barbados, host country of CCREEE ▪ H.E. Ms. Erna Solberg, Prime Minister, Norway ▪ H.E. Mr. Tuilaepa Aiono Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of Samoa ▪ H.E. Mr. Luis Felipe Tavares, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cabo Verde, host country of ECREEE ▪ Ms. Désirée Schweitzer, Vice-Minister for Development Cooperation in the Federal Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austria ▪ Mr. Fernando Martín Valenzuela Marzo, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Spain ▪ Mr. Irwin LaRocque, Secretary General of CARICOM
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GN-SEC “Innovation Pitches”, 2.00 to 2.15

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02:00	<p><u>Innovation pitches by the regional centers (max. 3 min each): (max. 3 min each) – given from a podium:</u></p> <p>Session moderated by Mr. Robert Wright, Founder and chairman of Sovereign Advisers:</p>
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Questions from the audience, 2.20 to 02.45

The moderator will collect remarks or questions from selected partners and the audience.

02:20	<p>Remarks or questions from the audience, moderated by Mr. Albert Binger, SIDS DOCK Secretary-General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Questions from other participants
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Closing Remarks, 2.45 to 3.00

A short summary of the outcomes of the Luncheon will be presented. The concluding remarks will include concrete recommendations and propose a roadmap. Participants will be invited to a follow-up meeting at the 2020 Vienna Energy Forum.

02:45	Closing remarks by Mr. Albert Binger, SIDS DOCK Secretary-General
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