SIDS National Focal Points
Inaugural Meeting on the margins of the Inter-Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Midterm Review of the SAMOA Pathway

29 October 2018, Apia, Samoa

08:00-08:30 REGISTRATION

08:30-09:00 OPENING

• Opening Prayer

• Peseta Noumea Simi, CEO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade, Master of Ceremony

• Heidi Schroderus-Fox, Director, Office of the High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS (UN-OHRLLS)

• Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA)

• H.E. Ali Naseer Mohamed, Permanent Representative of the Maldives to the UN and Chair of AOSIS

• Francesco La Camera, Director General, Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land, and Sea

• Hon. Faimalotoa Kika Ieamaia Stowers, Minister of Women, Community and Social Development of Samoa

09:00-10:30 INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION ON STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF NFPS TO ENHANCE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAMOA PATHWAY, 2030 AGENDA, AND PRELIMINARY WORKPLAN

• Keynote presentation: Heidi Schroderus-Fox, Director, UN-OHRLLS

• Overview of SIDS national focal points: Origin and envisaged role in the context of implementing the SAMOA Pathway and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

• Interactive discussion and preliminary workplan

Documents:
1. SIDS National Focal Point Action Plan
2. Draft National Focal Point Workplan

10:30-10:45 COFFEE/TEA BREAK
10:45-13:00 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAMOA PATHWAY WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE 2030 AGENDA - LESSONS LEARNT AND BEST PRACTICES

Moderator: Simona Marinescu, UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative, Cook Islands, Niue, Samoa & Tokelau

Keynote Presentations:

- AIMS region: Mauritius
- Pacific region: Tonga
- Caribbean region: Belize

Interactive Discussion

- Resource persons: UNDP, ESCAP, ECLAC

13:00-14:00 LUNCH

14:00-15:15 MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAMOA PATHWAY AND SDGS: A FOCUS ON DATA CHALLENGES IN SIDS

Moderator: Aliimuamua Malaefono Tauā-Faasalaina, CEO, Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Keynote Presentations:

- PAR’S 21
- UN-Statistics Division
- Interactive discussion

15:15-15:30 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

15:30-16:45 MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAMOA PATHWAY AND SDGS: A FOCUS ON DATA CHALLENGES IN SIDS (CONTINUED)

National Presentations:

- AIMS region: Maldives
- Caribbean region: Jamaica
- Pacific region: Kiribati

Interactive Discussion

- Resource persons: SPC, CARICOM (tbc)

16:45-17:00 CONCLUDING REMARKS

Simona Marinescu, UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative, Cook Islands, Niue, Samoa & Tokelau

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