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**What are the Key Priority Areas in the SAMOA Pathway**

- Sustainable, Inclusive and Equitable Economic Growth with Decent Work for All
- Sustainable Energy
- Oceans and Seas
- Climate Change
- Food Security and Nutrition
- Water and Sanitation
- Sustainable Transportation
- Sustainable Consumption and Production
- Health and Non-Communicable Diseases
- Management of Chemicals and Waste, Including Hazardous Waste
- Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment
- Biodiversity
- Social Development
- Invasive Alien Species
- Means of Implementation, Including Partnerships
In 2019, five years after the adoption of the SAMOA Pathway, the international community will review progress in the implementation of the SAMOA Pathway. SIDS, development partners, the UN system, civil society, the private sector and others will have the opportunity to take stock of progress being made to achieve the priority areas of the SAMOA Pathway in support of the sustainable development of SIDS.

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The three SIDS regions are came together in Samoa for the Inter-Regional meeting from 29 October-1 November 2018. The meeting was an opportunity for all SIDS to discuss how collectively they are achieving the SAMOA Pathway as well as the areas where they need support from the international community.

Inter-Regional Meeting in Samoa


Also taking place in Samoa was the inaugural meeting of the SIDS National Focal Points network. The network is a mechanism to provide an important link between global and national levels for coordination and implementation of SAMOA Pathway and the Sustainable Development Goals.

SID’S National Focal Points Meeting held in Samoa on 29 October 2018 https://bit.ly/2ylfhU7

Throughout the regional meetings and again at the Inter-Regional Meeting, a SIDS Partnership Dialogue took place to take stock of progress being made by partnerships which were announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States in 2014 as well as new partnerships which have been become operational since the conference.