SIDS National Focal Point (NFP) Meeting
Implementation of the SAMOA Pathway in Coherence with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- Terms of Reference for the NFP

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Take away (selected) in Preparation of the Caribbean SAMOA Pathway Regional Report (2018) and as can be related to the SIDS NFP

- High, dedicated focus on the 2030 Agenda- by all stakeholders
- Limited Prioritization of implementation the SAMOA Pathway
- SIDS- Institutional system not existing or Fragmented
- No evidence of systematic continuity
- Could not find any Caribbean SIDS having an Implementation, Assessment, monitoring, Documentation, reporting structure for the SAMOA Pathway
- Resource allocation for focused implementation- financial, human and institutional
- Knowledge management: across institutions and working tiers-
- Education, awareness raising, communication and out-reach
- Others.......
Number of references matched against SAMOA Pathway Priority Areas – Caribbean
SAMOA Pathway MTR
Points for Consideration towards a Stable, consistent, persistent, cross generational, result driven NFP

- The purpose of the SAMOA Pathway is not only to have national/regional periodic report!!!!
- Commitment from member countries - Where should the NFP be best placed in the governance structure?
- Terms of reference, Capacity - persons, institution, kind.....etc.
- Financial - who pays and how (Government, project, other?
- National focal point Person versus institutional?
  - Sufficiently high level (s): policy, technical-
  - Skills requirements
  - Note impact when change in focal person
  - Use of exiting systems?
- Need for championing of SIDS Agenda
- Roles and responsibilities of regional and international institutions including the UN also to be addressed
High level political localization of the SIDS Agenda

- At the 73\textsuperscript{rd} Session of the United Nations General Assembly (September 2018).
- Many of the Caribbean leaders in their address to the 73 GA, made reference to the special and particular sustainable development challenges of SIDS
- Leaders continue to recognize the SIDS as a special case for sustainable development
- This is positive!!!!!!!
Programming the SIDS Agenda 2020-2024

• Is the NFP a 4-year task?
  – What are to be the deliverables?
  – Time frame
• What will happen after 2024?
• What will be the continued role of the NFP post 2030
• What resources will be needed?
• What will be expected from regional bodies?
How are we handing over the SIDS sustainable development Agenda to the Next Generation?

- What are we handing over?
  - When is now!
  - It is the responsibility of our generation
Thank you

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