



SUSTAINABLE SMART PORTS FOR AFRICA



Agenda

Hybrid Meeting on African SIDS' Ports and the Energy Transition

Organized in collaboration with the Indian Ocean Commission during the UNCTAD Global Supply Chain Forum

Marigold Annex at Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre | Bridgetown, Barbados
23 May 2024 - 10:00-12:00 GMT-4

OBJECTIVE

The meeting aims to gather representatives from (African) Small Island Developing States (SIDS) to discuss results from UNCTAD's ongoing project on Sustainable Smart Port (SSP) for Africa and explore synergies with IOC's program and Ministerial mandate on greening of ports. The focus will be on African SIDS, including Cabo Verde, Comoros, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritius, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Seychelles.

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10:00 am WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

- Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, UNCTAD
- Raj Mohabeer, Officer in Charge, IOC

10:05 am SESSION 1: SUSTAINABLE SMART PORTS - WHY? WHAT? HOW?

Moderator: Raj Mohabeer, IOC

- What are sustainable smart ports, why are they relevant, and which policies are important to advance the SSP status of ports?** Luisa Rodriguez, UNCTAD
- How can we take stock of a port's SSP status and potential?** Luisa Rodriguez, UNCTAD
- How are IOC members planning to "green their ports"?** Raj Mohabeer, IOC

Q&A and quick survey on "SSP learnings and awareness"

10:45 am SESSION 2: ENERGY TRANSITION & AFRICAN SIDS' PORTS

Moderator: Frida Youssef, UNCTAD

i. Linkages between energy transition reforms and port reforms: sharing national experiences

- Kailash Dhunoo (Mauritius Port Authority)
- Nelson Freire (Port de Praia, Cabo Verde)
- Philippa Samson (Seychelles Port Authority)

11:10 am ii. Joining forces to support greening of SIDS ports: finance mobilization, access to financing and cooperation

- Raissa Ada Allogo, Infrastructure and Energy Department, African Union Commission (AU)
- James Nganga, Ports and Maritime Transport Expert, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Pierre Lérat, Transport Specialist, East Africa, Agence Française de Développement (AFD)

11:40 am WRAP UP, Q&A, AND NEXT STEPS