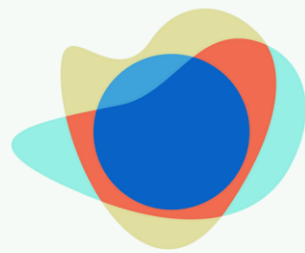


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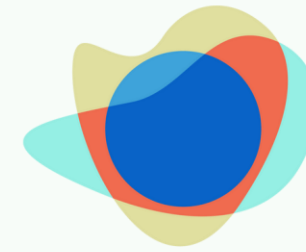


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Outcomes of the Conference



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- Intergovernmentally agreed, focused, forward-looking and action-oriented political outcome document that sets out a new Programme of Action for SIDS, with concrete, measurable targets to support SIDS to achieve their sustainable development objectives over the next ten years.

Preparatory Committee Meetings



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A Preparatory Committee chaired by New Zealand and Maldives will convene two sessions at the UN headquarters, in New York, negotiate the outcome document:

- First session: 22-26 Jan 2024
- Second session: 1-5 Apr 2024



Key pillars identified by SIDS in the prep meetings – Praia (Cabo Verde) Declaration



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Revitalizing our
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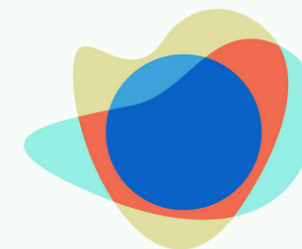
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Participation



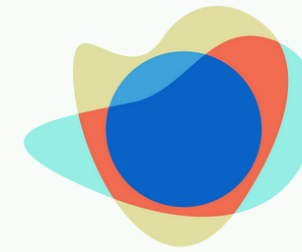
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The Conference and its preparatory committee are open to:

- All States Members of the United Nations;
- Intergovernmental organizations and other entities that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly in the capacity of observers;
- Associate members of the Regional Commissions;
- Specialized agencies and related organizations of the United Nations;
- Other intergovernmental organizations and international bodies;
- Intergovernmental organs of the United Nations;
- Non-governmental organizations, major groups and other relevant stakeholders;
- Officials of the United Nations Secretariat;
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Format of the SIDS4 Conference



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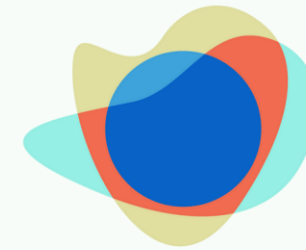
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08 Plenary sessions

05 Interactive dialogues



Themes for the Interactive Dialogues

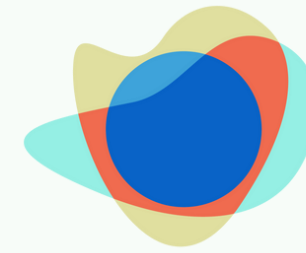


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- 1. Making Climate Finance work for SIDS: Building on the Outcomes of UNFCCC COP 28**
- 2. Enhancing Critical Forms of Financing and Aid Effectiveness through collaborative Partnerships: A Conversation**
- 3. Levering Data and Digital Technologies and Building effective Institutions for a Resilient Future in SIDS**
- 4. Investing in human capital: addressing health crisis in SIDS and building the potential of youth in SIDS**
- 5. Revitalizing SIDS Economies for accelerated and sustainable growth**

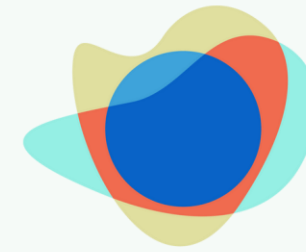
Other events

- Special events
- Side events (applications open until 8 March)
- Exhibits



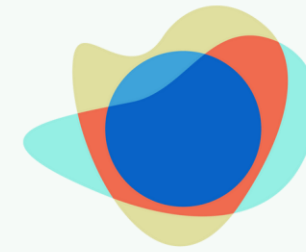
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Outcome Document: Structure & Content



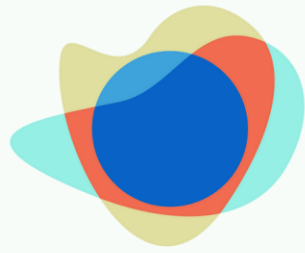
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- **Section 1:** The SIDS story (where do SIDS find themselves today?)
- **Section 2:** What do SIDS want? (an overview of key SIDS priorities under the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development)
- **Section 3:** How do SIDS get there (identifying the specific actions that would help SIDS achieve resilient prosperity within the next ten years)
- **Section 4:** Role of the UN system in supporting SIDS
- **Section 5:** Monitoring and evaluation (systematic monitoring and evaluation of the SIDS agenda for the next ten years)



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- 28. We stressed the importance of enhancing inter-island connectivity and linking the economies of small island developing States to regional markets and global supply chains, including by integrating them into existing and emerging maritime and multimodal transport and economic corridors, and encouraging sustainable transport initiatives to support SIDS in this regard.
- Reinstating previous preferential access to international trade markets and optimizing the utilization of existing preferential market access, increasing the preferential trade treatment developing countries, particularly SIDS, receive for their goods and services, and developing trade rules that take into account the special circumstances of SIDS;
- e. Encourages the review and reform of old-generation investment treaties that are in force for SIDS, where desired, with the aim of safeguarding policy space to pursue sustainable development objectives, climate action and a rapid, just, equitable and secure energy transition for SIDS.
- a. Support SIDS to build their productive capacities, including by supporting the undertaking of National Productive Capacities Gap Assessments (NPCGAs) and implementing Holistic Productive Capacities Development Programmes (HPCDPs) to address the gaps and limitations in SIDS respective productive capacities;

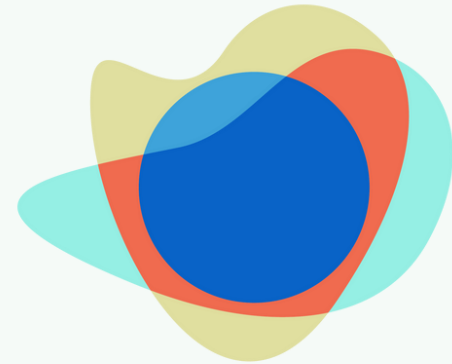


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Questions & answers



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Thank you!

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