

**Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States
AIMS Regional Meeting
Mahe, Seychelles
17-19 July 2013**

Proposed General Agenda

1. Opening Session
2. Overview of the national processes and outcomes
3. Progress to date and the remaining gaps in the implementation of the BPOA and MSI
4. Practical and pragmatic actions for the further implementation of the BPOA and MSI
5. New and emerging challenges and opportunities in the region, and ways and means to address them
6. Regional priorities for sustainable development of SIDS, including in the elaboration of the post-2015 UN development agenda
7. Strengthening partnerships amongst and between SIDS and the international community
8. Adoption of the Regional Outcome Document

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Proposed Programme of Work

Day 1

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8:30-9:00 **Registration**

9:00-10:00 **Opening Session (OPEN)**

- Welcome and opening remarks
- i. President of the 68th Session of the United Nations General Assembly H.E Mr. Vuk Jeremic
- ii. UNDESA Under-Secretary General/SIDS Conference Secretary-General, Mr. Wu Hongbo
- iii. President of the Republic of Seychelles, Mr James Alix Michel

10:00-10:15 < *Coffee break* >

- Adoption of the agenda and organizational matters
- Establishment of a Drafting Committee, to be chaired by Minister for Environment and Energy, Professor Rolph Payet

10:30-1:00 **Session 1: Overview of the National Processes and Outcomes**

Chaired by Minister Rolph Payet

- National presentation (5mins each, 3 slides)
- Presentation on the regional synthesis report based on the national consultations
- Summary of key issues
- Brief presentation of SIDS Youth Network Outcome

1:00 – 2:30 < *Lunch* >

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2:30-4:00 **Session 2: Progress to date and the remaining gaps in the implementation of the BPoA and the MSI**

Chaired by Minister Rolph Payet

- Introductory remarks by Cape Verde (2 mins)
- interactive discussion based on the presentation of the Synthesis Report and the summary of key issues

4:00-4:15 < *Coffee break* >

4:15-6:00 **Session 3: Interactive dialogue with the UN system and regional organizations on ensuring integrated approaches to SIDS sustainable development**

Chaired by Minister Rolph Payet

- Introductory remarks by Mauritius (2mins)
- Interactive discussion among the SIDS delegates in the region

7:00 Cocktail reception

Subgroup evening session: Initial meeting of drafting committee (closed)

<u>Day 2 -Main Negotiation closed sessions</u>	<u>DAY 2- Parallel High-level session</u>
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9:00-10:30 Session 4: Practical and pragmatic actions for the further implementation of the BPOA and MSI (CLOSED) Chaired by Minister Jean-Paul Adam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory remarks by Maldives (2 mins) • Interactive discussions among SIDS based on key issues distilled from national reports and regional synthesis report 	9:00-10:30 Open dialogue - 1 : New and emerging challenges and opportunities in the region, and ways and means to address them Chaired by Ambassador Jumeau
10:30-10:45 < <i>Coffee break</i> >	10:30-10:45 < <i>Coffee break</i> >

<p>10:45-1:00 Session 5: New and emerging challenges and opportunities in the region, and ways and means to address them (CLOSED)</p> <p>Chaired by Minister Jean-Paul Adam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory Remarks by Seychelles (2 mins) • Interactive discussions among SIDS based on key issues distilled from national reports and regional synthesis report 	<p>10:45 -1:00 Open dialogue continued:</p>
<p>1:00-2:30 < <i>Lunch</i> ></p>	<p>1:00-2:30 < <i>Lunch</i> ></p>
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<p>2:30-4:00 Session 6: Regional priorities for sustainable development of SIDS, including in the elaboration of the post-2015 UN development agenda (CLOSED)</p> <p>Chaired by Minister Jean-Paul Adam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory Remarks by Comoros (2 mins) • Interactive discussions among SIDS based on key issues distilled from national reports and regional synthesis report 	<p>2.30-4.00 Open dialogue - 2: Interactive dialogue with the UN system and regional organizations on ensuring integrated approaches to sustainable development (OPEN)</p> <p>Chaired by Ambassador Jumeau</p>
<p>4:00-4:15 < <i>Coffee break</i> ></p>	<p>4:00-4:15 < <i>Coffee break</i> ></p>
<p>4:15-6:00 Session 6 continued (CLOSED)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive discussions among SIDS based on key issues distilled from national reports and regional synthesis report 	<p>4:15-6:00 Open dialogue - 2 continued</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of the key issues

Subgroup evening session: Second meeting of drafting committee (closed)

Day 3

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Chaired by Minister Rolph Payet

9:00-9:30 Report to the main meeting on the results of the Open Dialogue

9:30-10:45 Session 7: Interactive dialogue with Major Groups of the region on their contribution to the implementation process (OPEN)

10:45-11:00 < *Coffee Break* >

11:00-1:00 Session 8: Strengthening partnerships amongst and between SIDS and the international community (OPEN)

Chaired by Minister Rolph Payet

- Including discussion on the International Year of SIDS

1:00-2:30 < *Lunch* >

2:30-4:00 Subgroup session: Final meeting of drafting committee (closed)

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4:00 Closing Session: Adoption of the Regional Outcome Document (OPEN)

Closing Speeches by Minister Payet and Minister Adam