Informal SIDS Partnership Dialogue  Co-organized by Maldives and UN-DESA Thursday, 25 June 2015, 1:15pm-3:00pm Venue: Conference room 3

Malama Honua World Wide Voyage

The Voyage’s arrival at UNSIDS and sail with the UN Secretary General was a profound moment for the Voyage and GLISPA. The Message in the bottle given by the UNSG and his proceeding invitation to welcome the voyage at UNHQ in NYC has provided impetus to create global awareness of island and ocean sustainable development issues. In 2016, GLISPA is working with Polynesia Voyaging Society and supporters to plan celebrations to mark the Voyages arrival at UNHQ in NYC for World Oceans Day 2016. GLISPA in the process of engaging countries and institutions interested in this event.

To recognize the significance in the Voyage preparing to depart the Pacific for the first time as well as to farewell the Voyage with the ‘mana’ (strength) of the Pacific, President Remengesau of Palau (Co-Chair of GLISPA) entrusted the Voyage to carry forward Palau Ocean’s Declaration and Pacific Oceanscape to share as an example of island solutions as it travels the world and arrives in NYC in 2016.