



**Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy
for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action
for the Sustainable Development of
Small Island Developing States**

Presentation of the Secretary-General's
Report to the 64th General Assembly

A/64/278 available at:

http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/resources/res_docugaecos_64.shtml

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Overview

1. Background on GA resolution 63/213
2. Follow-up to MSI
3. Implementation of MSI
4. Mauritius +5 review process

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GA Resolution 63/213

The General Assembly requested the SG:

1. To report on the:
 - a. Follow-up to; and
 - b. Implementation of the Mauritius Strategy of Implementation (MSI);
 - with focus on vulnerabilities of SIDS.
2. To report on possible arrangements for a high-level review of MSI at the 65th session of GA.

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■ Vulnerabilities of SIDS:

- Structural problems
- Physical challenges
- Institutional limitations
- Adverse effects of Climate Change

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■ Structural Problems:

- Small and isolated markets;
- Narrow resource base;
- Limited local capital for investments;
- Dependency on primary product exports;
- Heavy reliance on imports;
- Vulnerable to outside economic and financial shocks, etc..

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■ Physical challenges:

- Remoteness;
- Geographic dispersion;
- Fragile ecosystems;
- Limited freshwater supplies;
- Communication and transport constraints, etc.

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■ Institutional Limitations:

- Weak institutional capacity for strategic D-M;
- Limited skilled human resources;
- Lack of information, data collection and analysis ability;
- Weak or non-existent process of formulating/implementing integrative NSDS or its equivalent, etc.

■ Adverse effects of Climate Change:

- Prone to disruption by natural disasters affecting social, economic well-being;
- Sea-level rise threatening island survival;
- Ocean warming/increased acidification;
- Coral bleaching that affects tourism, etc.

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➤ CSD-17 Highlights

- Mainstream climate change adaptation in development strategies >Building resilience
- Need for an integrated policy response & sustainable management in agriculture >Enhancing food security
- Management and control of invasive species>protect biodiversity
- Need for agro-diversification in the rural sector>enhance value-added activities

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- **Mauritius+5 High-level Review (GA resolutions 62/191 & 63/213):**
 - **Two-day high-level review at 65th GA**
 - **Preceded by national, regional, international preparations;**
 - **CSD-18 to act as a prep com;**
 - **Address vulnerabilities of SIDS.**

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■ Guidelines for NARs:

- Reports submitted for Mauritius attached for reference;
- Focus on actions taken, lessons learned, good practices, challenges faced, trends and emerging issues;
- Thematic areas of BPOA & MSI;
- Emphasis on addressing vulnerabilities.

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30 Nov. '09

Guidelines for Assessment Reports

SIDS

Non - SIDS

UN agencies, NGOs, Regional org.

Regional meetings

Caribbean Grenada (tbc)

Pacific Vanuatu 8-10 February

AIMS Maldives 9-12 March

10 May '10

CSD 18 – SIDS Day

Preparatory Committee for High-Level Review

Sep. '10

MSI High-Level Review

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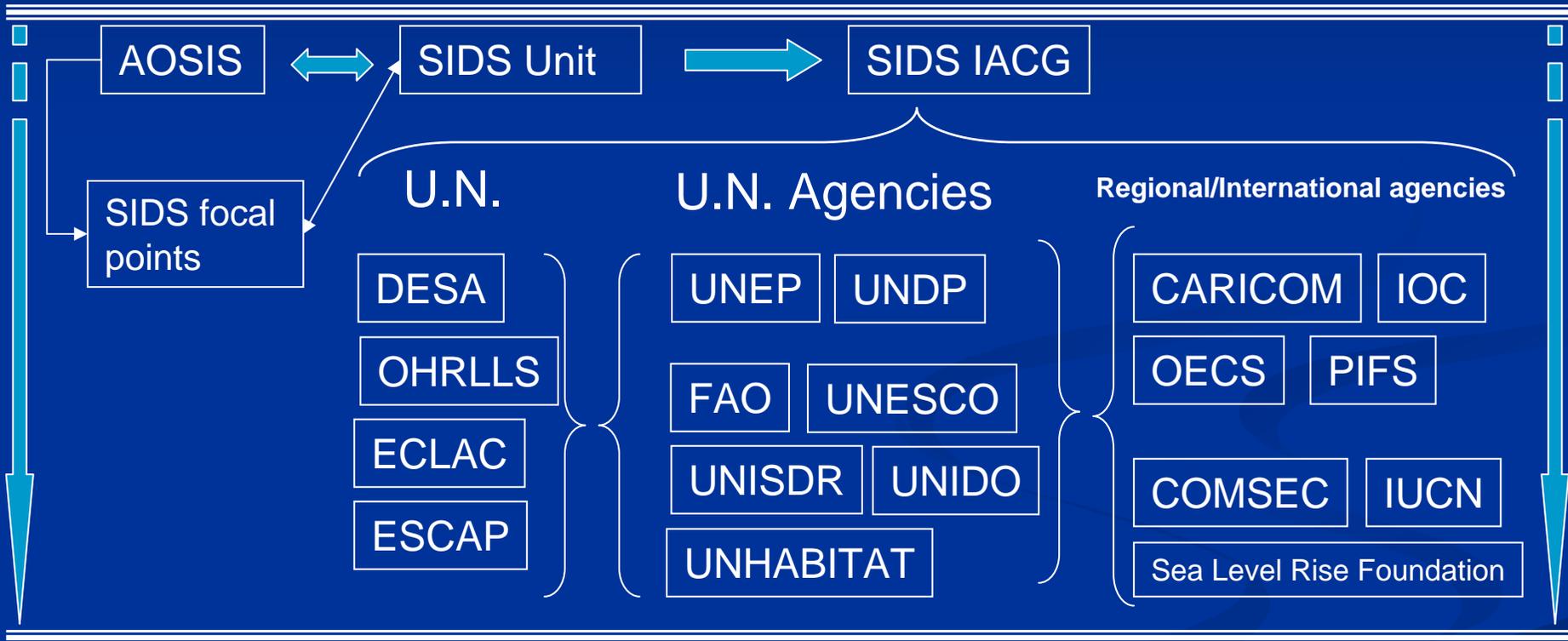
Expected outcome of Mauritius+5 Review:

- **NARs after five years of implementing MSI**
- **Regional Synthesis**
- **Global Synthesis - to indicate:**
 - **Trends**
 - **Analysis of impacts of emerging issues**
 - **Areas of achievements & reasons for shortcomings**
 - **Future priorities**

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➤ Inter-Agency



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