Small Island Developing States (SIDS) National Focal Points (NFPs) Meeting

Interactive discussion and adoption of the Terms of Reference for SIDS national focal points (NFPs)

Overview of the TORs for SIDS national focal points

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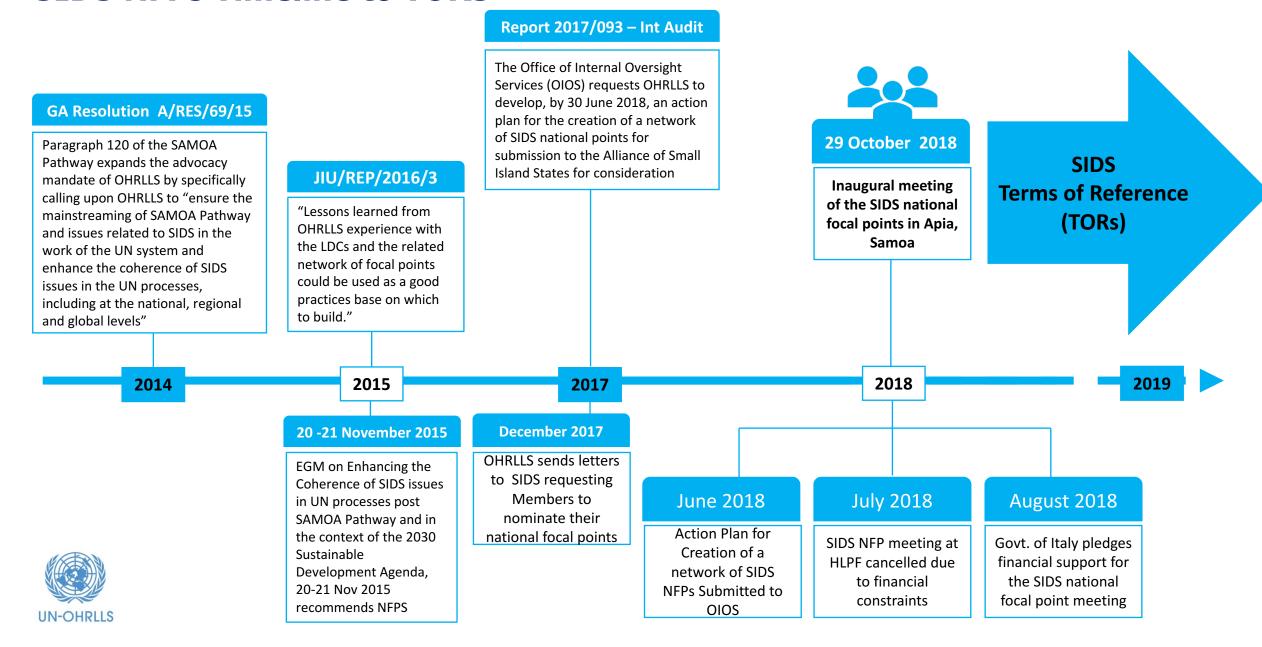
Recalling the Mandate for NFPs - GA Resolution A/RES/69/15

The establishment of SIDS NFPs is a response to the SAMOA Pathway, Paragraph 120 which expanded the advocacy mandate of OHRLLS by specifically calling upon OHRLLS to:

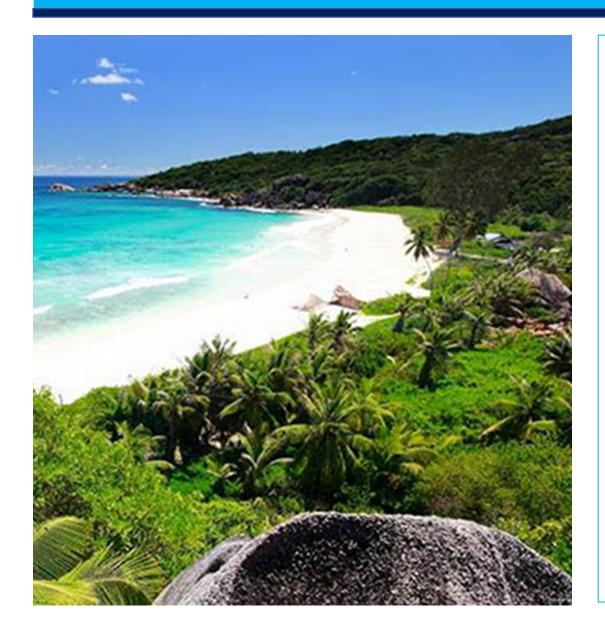
"ensure the mainstreaming of SAMOA Pathway and issues related to SIDS in the work of the UN system and enhance the coherence of SIDS issues in the UN processes, including at the national, regional and global levels, and continue to mobilize international support and resources to support the implementation of the Samoa Pathway by small island developing States".



SIDS NFPs Timeline to TORS



The TORs: Structure



The TORs has three principal components:

- (1) Main Functions of NFPs
- (2) Composition of Membership;
- (3) Modalities of operation

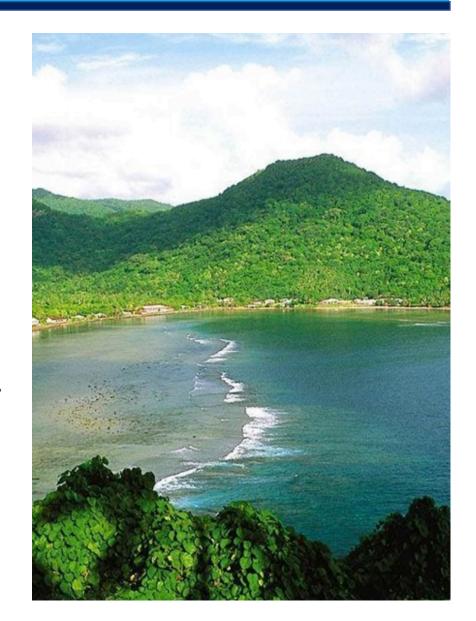
Main Functions of NFPs

- Play an active role in the Localization agenda
- Contribute to coherent national, regional and global monitoring and reporting
- SIDS partnerships existing partnerships and encourage the launch of new partnerships for SIDS.
- Keep abreast of programmes, projects and activities for increased donor collaboration and coordination
- Participate in a forum for SIDS NFPs: to exchange information, share experiences and best practices, network etc.



Main Functions of NFPs (Continued)

- Support efforts to raise awareness about the SAMOA Pathway
- Strengthen country level coordination on the preparation of an inclusive Secretary-General report on SIDS and other relevant documents
- Contribute to the design and operationalization of an active online platform and other ICT tools
- country specific analysis and information for knowledge products
- catalyzing south-south cooperation, supporting the preparation of voluntary national reviews reports



Way Forward



Explore developing a capacity building strategy, which could include the following elements:

- Developing a guide for SIDS NFPs
- Collaborating with existing regional SIDS focal points mechanisms on capacity building plans.
- The design and operationalization of an active online platform and other ICT tools
- Partnerships with other institutions including the Commonwealth Secretariat to build capacity



Thank you!

