



# Towards the SAMOA Pathway Mid-Term Review: Challenges & Opportunities

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# Challenges



- ▶ 2030 Agenda has been prioritized by International Community and UN System for Attention
- ▶ Declining financial flows to SIDS relative to other groups of countries
- ▶ Uneven progress further compounded lack of data to measure
- ▶ Lack of Systematic Assessment, Documentation, reporting on implementation of the SAMOA Pathway
- ▶ Synergies with other Developmental Agenda for eg 2030 Agenda, Sendai, Addis Abba, Paris Agreement etc..
- ▶ Appropriate Human and Institutional Structures at national and regional levels
- ▶ Limited or No Fiscal space for investment in sustainable development (IMF programmes etc)
- ▶ JIU report on UN system support to SIDS still not fully implemented



# San Pedro Declaration & Apia Outcome

- Towards A Programme for Implementation: Addressing Caribbean Challenges with Means of Implementation
- In defining a programme of implementation for the next five years, the Meeting emphasized the importance of building resilience in all its dimensions and identified 25 priority areas for action (ref. San Pedro Declaration)
- AOSIS priorities and the main basis for AOSIS engagement in the multilateral processes



# The MTR Zero Draft

- ▶ Released by Co-Chairs (Ireland & Fiji)
- ▶ Currently contains A preamble, An assessment of progress, Priority Areas for the next 5 years and some clear calls for action
- ▶ Contains strong language on a definitive call for alternatives to GDP as a criteria for accessing development financing, calls for post disaster debt relief, the establishment of a global disaster fund and IFIs and developed partners to prioritize and increase financial flows to SIDS
- ▶ A definitive call for and M&E framework for the SAMOA Pathway to be developed by 2021
- ▶ Continued implementation the JIU recommendations and for SG to properly resource DESA and OHRLLS to support sids
- ▶ UN System to properly mainstream SIDS Issues and SAMOA Pathway and report
- ▶ Preliminary comments (too long, needs more focus, many priorities expressed should focus on a few that can be delivered)



# Opportunities for the Caribbean

- ▶ Traction on development Financing issues i.e. concessional resources to Middle income and upper middle income countries
- ▶ Demonstrate Leadership - AOSIS Chairmanship
- ▶ Coherence across High Level week events. Issues of importance should feature in all discussions and not left to be taken by the MTR
- ▶ Address coordination challenges and implementation deficits
- ▶ Link to UN system support to SIDS (MCO Review and UNDS support)



**THANK YOU**