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New findings: Synergies between the Paris Agreement and Agenda 2030

Small island developing states are some of the most vulnerable countries to the impacts of climate change. New findings on synergies between the NDC's under the Paris Agreement and the SDGs could create win-win solutions and increase policy coherence.

In the presence of Bernd Hackmann, UNFCCC secretariat, Lars Ronnås, Swedish Ambassador for Climate Change and Wills Agricole, Principal Secretary at the Ministry of Environment and Energy, Seychelles; the Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) and the German Development Institute (DIE) will present new findings on the connections between the NDC's under the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda.

Focusing on the Small Island Developing States (SIDS), this event highlights the links between climate change and sustainable development and their connection to national development priorities. On 17 November, new findings from a recently published analysis will be presented. Therein, activities formulated in all countries' NDCs have been set in correspondence to the SDG targets and climate actions as well as the resulting synergies.

“For the NDCs to get traction and speak to the development priorities of countries, it is important that they are developed and implemented such that they maximize co-benefits and minimize trade-offs across the entire range of the SDGs,” said Måns Nilsson, Research Director and Deputy Director of the Stockholm Environment Institute.

In addition, SEI will present analysis on the links between Small Island Developing States' NDCs and their national development priorities, and the extent to which these plans appear to be mutually reinforcing. Representatives from the Seychelles, Tonga, Antigua and Barbuda will share their experiences, followed by a policy dialogue including the UNFCCC secretariat and the Swedish Ambassador for Climate Change.



New findings, experiences from small island developing states and policy dialogue will be presented at the event: [SDGs and the Paris Agreement](#).

Journalists are welcome to attend, please note your presence by email to ylva.rylander@sei-international.org.

At the UN Climate Change Conference, the Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) and the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) launched the [NDC-SDG Connections tool](#), highlighting the synergies between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) submitted by countries under the Paris Agreement on climate change.

Watch video with the co-leaders [Adis Dzebo \(SEI\)](#) and [Hannah Janetscheck \(DIE\)](#)

Explore the [NDC-SDG Connections tool](#)

Read SEI policy brief [Exploring connections between the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#)

Read analysis by IISD of the [NDC-SDG Connections tool](#)

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