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SUBJECT: DATE CHANGE: SIDS Support Webinar on IPCC AR6 WGII SOD Review - **January 21st & 22nd, 2021** (Virtual)

Dear Focal Points and Partners,

We thank you for your interest in taking part in the **webinar focusing on the review of the Second Order Draft (SOD) of Working Group II for the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6)** initially scheduled for **Friday January 15th** (13:00 Samoa time) & **Tuesday January 19th** (13:00 Samoa time) as per Circular 20/106.

Given insufficient number of registered participants, we have decided it would be best to postpone the webinar by a few days. We understand the challenge of meeting so early in the new year; however this webinar will support Member States Focal Points to the IPCC to prepare informed inputs on the draft ahead of the 29 January 2021 deadline.

The new dates for the webinar: **Thursday January 21st 2021** (13:00 – 16:00 Samoa time) & **Friday January 22nd 2021** (13:00 – 16:00 Samoa time).

We kindly ask interested participants to register ASAP:
<https://forms.gle/SV6dAPFapVN1usaBA>

Please see below for the details of the webinar, which remain the same:

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) and Climate Analytics would like to warmly invite you to take part in a series of webinars within the framework of an IPCC support project for SIDS. The project aims to facilitate the engagement of this particularly vulnerable country group in the IPCC process. Technical expertise and capacity building will be provided in expert webinars throughout the AR6 review cycle and by in-person support during the approval plenaries.

Particularly, the workshop aims to:

- Review of the Summary for Policymakers (SPM) with a focus on key issues for the Pacific SIDS.
- Facilitate participants in developing national comments and providing national feedback to the IPCC on the Second Order Draft (SOD) and SPM.
- Discuss key challenges with the report and the modalities of the IPCC plenary to strengthen countries' active engagement during the approval plenary
- Elaborate on the link between work at the IPCC and the UNFCCC negotiations
- Strengthen regional coordination and cooperation between IPCC focal points

- Strengthen regional coordination and cooperation on scientific issues, including the IPCC reports, between IPCC and UNFCCC focal points, the regional scientific community, and other stakeholders.

This first webinar will be held in two parts and will focus on the review the Second Order Draft (SOD) of Working Group II for the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) concentrating on the Summary for Policymakers and key messages to enable Member States Focal Points to the IPCC to prepare informed inputs on the draft ahead of the 29 January 2021 deadline.

It will be structured so that the first part will present the science and the content, to familiarize participants with the issues and current state of play. The second part will be focused on feedback and discussion, and to enable preparations of inputs from Focal Points to the IPCC Secretariat.

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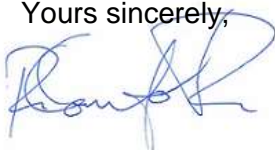
This invitation can be extended to interested and relevant stakeholders from other government departments and government associated institutions, but **registration is mandatory**. It is strongly suggested that participants attend both parts of this webinar in order for informed discussion and relevant inputs can be provided to the IPCC.

Mandatory registration: <https://forms.gle/SV6dAPFapVN1usaBA>

The webinar is facilitated by Climate Analytics in partnership with SPREP and is supported by the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) of the United Kingdom.

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Yours sincerely,



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