Dear Focal Points and Partners,

**SUBJECT:** Save-the-date - SIDS support webinar on IPCC AR6 WGII SOD review: January 15 & 19, 2021 (Virtual)

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 UNFCC 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.
Dates: Friday January 15th, 2021 (13:00 – 16:00 Samoa time) & Tuesday January 19th, 2021 (13:00 – 16:00 Samoa time).

This invitation can be extended to interested and relevant stakeholders from other government departments and government associated institutions, but registration is mandatory. Please register no later than 12 January 2021. It is strongly suggested that participants attend both parts of this webinar in order to ensure informed discussion and for relevant inputs to be provided to the IPCC.

Mandatory registration: [https://forms.gle/SV6dAPFapVN1usaBA](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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