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Draft Action plan paper

Introduction:

The present action plan originates from discussions during the Third Regional Meeting in Mauritius from 25-26 May 2016. Two technical papers on *Blue Economy and Integrated Coastal and Marine resource management* were presented. These introductions were followed by presentations of the regional perspective of these themes by each region representatives and plenary discussions. A draft Action plan was discussed the second day and it was agreed to circulate the version for additional comments from the regions. Therefore, this version includes final comments received from the regions.

DRAFT ACP ACTION PLAN FOR SIDS in the area of CC/SD/Environment addressing coastal management and blue economies

Area of focus	Actions/Activities	Areas for potential collaboration
1- Coastal Management & Risks & Protection	<p>ICZM Mapping & spatial planning Relocation Waste management Vulnerability and Risks assessments Evaluation of loss and damage Promote and implement soft engineering initiatives</p>	<p>Quantification of impacts of CC on coastal areas and strategic sectors (LIDAR Technology) Building resilience of communities Waste disposal inclusive of wastewater and sludge treatment facilities Capacity building and exchange of experiences on coastal engineering and protection</p>
2- Promotion of Sustainable Economic Development		<p>Complementarities between sustainable islands and cities Climate Smart Agriculture applied to coastal zones</p>
Fisheries	<p>Support the provision and use of climate related information in fisheries to support decision making and increase resilience</p> <p>Support planning for climate adaption to enable coastal fishing communities meet the challenges related to climate change and hazards and secure their social economic wellbeing</p> <p>Support institutions to provide robust fisheries management strategies under changing climate condition</p>	Trade
	<p>Enhancement of fish biomass (food security)</p>	

	Development of Aquaculture	Evaluation and monitoring of health of coral reefs and its ecosystem Monitoring nursery sites for fishes
Tourism	Coral reef restoration and rehabilitation Mangrove reforestation and rehabilitation Sea Grass Beds restoration and rehabilitation Development and promotion of ecotourism and sustainable tourism	High quality niche tourism versus mass tourism
Agriculture	Climate smart agriculture Food security Develop and implement resilient crops to drought and pests and diseases	Climate Smart Agriculture applied to coastal zones Reassessing the crops best suited for certain conditions
Water Resources security	Water sources and accessibility Increase water harvesting and storage Increase efficiency in the distribution and usage (reduction of leakage through technology) Strengthen water governance	
Infrastructure	Water facility (resilient water transmission and distribution network) & port facility Climate proofing coastal infrastructure	
Energy	Development, promotion and deployment of renewable energy	Technology transfer
3- Information & decision support systems & knowledge management	Development of Climate change information services High resolution climate change projections	Information sharing, ICT
4- Enforcement, Legal, Regulatory & Policy & Governance Issues		

	<p>Involvement of Non State actors</p> <p>Promotion of decentralisation</p> <p>Promotion of synergies, coherence and coordination intra and inter regions (including donor coordination)</p> <p>Development of sound replacement policy</p>	<p>Institutional development and capacity building</p> <p>Non –state actors and community engagement</p> <p>Joint plans/actions</p> <p>Development of strategies/plans at inter and intra regional levels</p>
INDCs/INDCs	<p>Revision of NDCs/ integration of BE</p> <p>Development of bankable projects</p>	<p>Inter and intra Coordination actions for the implementation of INDCs</p>
UNFCCC negotiations	<p>Development of science-based arguments to make a strong case for SIDS in the UNFCCC negotiations (tax for acidification, mangrove carbon sequestration, loss and damage compensation...)</p> <p>Strengthening contribution of SIDS in IPCC work</p> <p>Strengthening SIDS engagement within international forum</p> <p>Supporting strong representation and united ACP voice for COP22 and subsequent COPs, IPCC Meetings....</p> <p>Enhanced negotiators knowledge on climate change impacts</p>	<p>Common positions/ common roadmap</p> <p>Advocacy through African group of negotiators, African Union as well as UN high level Political forum....</p> <p>Advocacy a role for the ACP to promote the SIDS designation as a special case for sustainable cooperation and partnership platform among SIDS intergovernmental organisations</p> <p>Technical cooperation fund to reactivate</p>
5-Blue Economy /Private sector	<p>Assessment and valuation of blue “capital”.</p> <p>Evaluation of non-market good and services</p> <p>Carbon sequestration</p> <p>Economic data</p> <p>New green accounting methods</p>	
6- Capacity Building, Education, and Awareness	<p>Capacity Building (including Building capacity for institutions to access to</p>	<p>Document, share, copy and improve on successes</p>

	<p>climate funds</p> <p>Building capacity at community and national levels with continuous follow up Education, and Awareness</p> <p>Sharing best practices</p> <p>Youth and gender capacity building</p>	<p>Best practices sharing in advocacy, community engagement</p> <p>Sharing experiences in training at community and national levels</p> <p>Exchange intra and inter-regional visits</p> <p>Share lessons from inter and intra regional on -going initiatives</p>
7-Finance	<p>Assessment of existing funding sources</p> <p>Coordination mechanism to allocate existing funding</p> <p>Use of existing funding: Development of regional projects for Green fund +</p> <p>Innovative financing to support blue economy: development of similar mechanisms to REDD or advocate new and additional funding mechanism under loss and damage</p>	
8- Research & Innovation	<p>Building resilience of the communities</p> <p>Development of and expansion of Climate change modelling</p>	<p>Develop common research plan/activities</p> <p>Cooperation data and statistics</p> <p>Share projection tools</p> <p>Joining Climate change modelling network</p>