



Event at COP23, Bonn 2017 **"SDGS – NDC Connections**

Interconnections between climate change, Agenda 2030 and national development priorities - Future directions for the SIDS" 17 November 2017, 10:00 – 11:30

Location: Nordic Pavilion, Bonn Zone

In 2015, nationally determined contributions (NDCs) became a key driver of a breakthrough in the global climate negotiations and one of the essential instruments for implementing the Paris Agreement. In the same year, the UN General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are meant to be implemented through national strategies for sustainable development. Both NDCs and SDGs are universal and implemented through a "bottom-up" process where countries set their own priorities and ambitions. This allows opportunities to explore a country-driven agenda.

With a focus on the Small Island Developing States (SIDS), this event will highlight the links between climate change and sustainable development and their connection to national development priorities. It will visually present findings with help from the NDC-SDG Connections Tool, a joint project between the Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) and the German Development Institute (DIE), where actions from all countries' NDCs have been coded against SDG targets, climate actions and synergies. In addition, SEI will present analysis on the link between SIDS' NDCs and their national development priorities, and the extent to which these plans appear to be mutually reinforcing.