

## Global Stocktake Informal 2 Intervention on behalf of AOSIS

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I am delivering this statement on behalf of AOSIS, and we align with the statement delivered on behalf of the G77 & China.

The process for collecting submissions under paragraph 37(i) should be guided by the principles of equity and inclusiveness, ensuring that the granularity of submissions from entities within Small Island States are not lost in the synthesis of the information. It is also important to consider inputs from all stakeholders including local communities and indigenous people.

We agree that the submissions should be under the thematic areas of mitigation, adaptation, means of implementation and support, as well as efforts relating to averting minimizing and addressing loss and damage, and the social and economic impacts of response measures. They should also be guided by the questions developed by the SB Chairs for all components of the global stock take. Linkages among various issues should be considered in a balanced and comprehensive manner.

In addition to this we emphasize the need to provide clarity on the *process* for submissions as well as the *deadlines* well in advance, to give all relevant stakeholders adequate time to prepare.

We also believe a dedicated secretariat support team to help parties, non-party stakeholders and UNFCCC organizations wishing to make submissions would be valuable. This would be a useful tool to maintain the principles of equity and inclusiveness in the process, and overcome capacity challenges faced by regional entities and organizations in SIDS.

For example relevant capacity building activities such as workshops and trainings regarding the process and format can be organized to ensure that these entities are able to contribute effectively.

Funding which was provided to these regional organizations were instrumental in the preparations for the Talanoa dialogue, and hope to see a similar support mechanism in this process.

In synthesizing the inputs received, a transparent and objective process should be followed to ensure there is no undue bias or prejudice. We also need to ensure that the secretariat has adequate resources to deal with this task, which has financial and budgetary implications that need to be considered.

We see the utility of consolidating inputs through the nine-constituencies of observer organizations accredited under the UNFCCC, and also looking at the Yearbook of global action as a source of input.