



## TALKING POINTS

### Session on Means of Implementation on the post-2015 development agenda Targets

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### **SESSION 3: Technology Transfer Mechanism, and other science, technology and innovation issues**

#### Co-Facilitators

1. I have the honour to speak on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS). We align ourselves and fully support with the statement delivered by the distinguished Permanent Representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and would like to make the following additional points.
2. We would like to thank the Co-Moderators of the GA Structured Dialogue on possible arrangements for a technology facilitation mechanism to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies, for their briefing, on their work.
3. The importance of technology for sustainable development, especially in developing countries has been clearly established. The Rio+20 Outcome Document “The Future We Want”, and more recently the OWG Report on Sustainable development Goals outlined this fact. The discussion, as called for by the Chair of G77 and China, must move from a discussion of WHAT to a discussion on HOW.
4. For Small Island Developing States, there are several key areas where modern clean technology investments, and the necessary know-how would enable further development and progress. These include:
  - a. Increase connectivity and the use of information and communications technology through improved infrastructure, training and national legislation, as well as public and private sector involvement
  - b. Affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy technology
  - c. Ocean-based technology

5. We also would like to emphasize that technology, even the most modern, efficient and clean ones, will not suffice if we do not have capacity and institutional building. SIDS' most valuable asset is our people, and we need to invest in them so we can maximize their productivity.

I thank you.