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UN Conference on Small Island Developing States opens in Samoa

A renewed political commitment to tackle the many unique, sustainable development challenges facing the world's small island states, is expected to be the most important outcome of a United Nations conference that opened in Samoa. (Read More)

About Small Island Developing States

Small Island developing States (SIDS) have their own peculiar vulnerabilities and characteristics, so the difficulties they face in the pursuit of sustainable development are particularly severe and complex.

- Small size
- Isolation
- Climate change and sea-level rise
- Natural and environmental disasters
AfDB encourages women to get into nontraditional business

About one hundred African business women gathered in Nairobi, Kenya for the African Women Linkage Forum from 18 to 20 August 2014. (Read More)

The AfDB releases its North Africa 2014 Report

The African Development Bank (AfDB) has released its North Africa 2014 annual report, entitled Looking for inclusion. This year's report focuses on the pressing need for inclusive growth and development, as demonstrated by the uprisings experienced in several countries in the region in early 2011. (Read More)

Sector Allocation of Current Portfolio in North Africa
Infrastructure companies learn of expanding investment opportunities in Latin America and the Caribbean

Trade Expo organized by the Inter-American Development Bank and Latin Trade Group in Miami. (Read More)

Latin American and Caribbean Carbon Forum to Show the Way on Climate Action

The VIII Latin American and Caribbean Carbon Forum (LACCF) will be held on September 3 to 5 at the Compensar Convention Center in Bogota, Colombia. (Read More)

LACCF

The Latin American and Caribbean Carbon Forum (LACCF) is a free of charge regional conference and exhibition platform established in 2006 to promote knowledge and information sharing while facilitating business opportunity environments among main carbon market stakeholders.
**Philippines: New Rural Development Project to Benefit 2 Million Farmers and Fisherfolk**

The World Bank’s Board of Executive Directors approved today a loan and grant financing package for rural infrastructure as well as small business and livelihood projects for farmers and fisherfolk in the Philippines.  (Read More)

**Transport Master Plans Unveiled for Myanmar and the Yangon Metropolitan Area**

On July 24, JICA held a seminar in Tokyo to outline two master plans "Myanmar’s National Transport" and "the Project for Comprehensive Urban Transport Plan of the Greater Yangon." (Read More)