



NOAA Engagement in the Local2030 Islands Network

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Context: NOAA and the Local2030 Islands Network

- Island adaptation and resilience as a growing priority
 - April 2021 Leaders Summit Announcement
 - COP26 commitments: PREPARE & USG funding for SIDS
- NOAA and U.S. Department of State partnership to support the Local2030 Islands Network
 - NOAA's Climate Program Office
 - Internal cross-agency & external collaboration to support the L2030IN's mission



Local2030 Islands Network

“The [Local2030 Islands Network](#) is the world’s first **global, island-led peer-to-peer network** devoted to advancing the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** through locally driven solutions. The Network provides a peer-to-peer for engagement amongst and between islands to share experiences, spread knowledge, raise ambition, promote solidarity, and identify and implement best practice solutions.”



The Network’s Four Principles



Local Goals

Identify local goals to advance the SDGs and strengthen long-term political leadership on sustainable development and climate resilience.



Public-Private Partnerships

Strengthen public-private partnerships that support diverse stakeholders in integrating sustainability priorities into policy and planning.



Measurement

Measure SDG progress through tracking and reporting on locally and culturally informed indicators.



Concrete Action

Implement concrete initiatives that build island resilience & circular economy through locally appropriate solutions, particularly at the water energy–food nexus.

Members of the Local2030 Islands Network

Members and Partners



Members

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Bonaire
- British Virgin Islands
- Curaçao
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Fiji
- Gibraltar
- Grenada
- Guam
- Hawaii
- Ibiza
- Ireland
- Palau
- Republic of the Marshall Islands
- Trinidad and Tobago
- United States of America

Partners

- East-West Center
- ESRI
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- NOAA (US Department of Commerce)
- Smilo Sustainable Islands
- Tasmanian Way
- The Climate Strong Islands Network
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of Interior
- U.S. Department of State
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- United Nations Foundation
- USAID



Key Efforts of the Local2030 Islands Network

- **Communities of Practice:** providing a forum for peer-to-peer exchange amongst islands on priority topics. Three launched so far, on:
 - Resilient and Clean Energy Systems
 - Data for Climate Resilience
 - Sustainable and Regenerative Tourism
- **Data Dashboards:** supporting members in the development of data dashboards that track progress of the SDGs that most make the most sense for their particular islands.
 - Modeled after Hawaii's Aloha+ Challenge dashboard



Images above: First in-person gathering of the: (1) Data for Climate Resilience and (2) Sustainable and Regenerative Tourism L2030IN Communities of Practice in Honolulu (April 2023).

Conclusion

The Local2030 Islands Network is an innovative platform, which fosters strong international cooperation of islands across the world, to develop solutions to interconnected global challenges, many of which relate to the oceans that surround them.



“Together, we are committed to improving the lives of island people and sharing island solutions with the world.”