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Ms. Celeste Connors
Executive Director
Hawai'i Local2030 Hub
735 Bishop Street,
Suite 424,
Honolulu,
Hawai'i.

Dear Director Connors,

Re: Trinidad and Tobago's membership in the Local 2030 Islands Network

I am pleased to confirm Trinidad and Tobago's desire to become a member of the Local2030 Islands Network and register our support for the Four Principles of the Network namely to:

- Identify local goals to advance the SDGs and strengthen long-term political leadership on climate resilience and net-zero emissions pathways.
- Strengthen public-private partnerships that support diverse stakeholders in integrating sustainability priorities into policy and planning.
- Measure SDG progress through tracking and reporting on locally and culturally informed indicators.
- Implement concrete initiatives that build island resilience and a circular economy through locally appropriate solutions, particularly at the water-energy-food nexus.

With this communication, we express our intent to implement these principles and we are committed to engaging in collaborative island projects which advance the local implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. Trinidad and Tobago will make a clear statement of this commitment to our partners and the general public. Our top priorities for collaboration with the Local2030 Islands Network are peer-learning opportunities and technical support for achieving climate resilient, clean energy futures; increasing capacity to track the achievement of SDGs and Nationally Determined Contributions.

Mr. Kishan Kumarsingh, Head of the Multilateral Environmental Agreements Unit at the Environmental Policy and Planning Division of the Ministry of Planning and Development has been designate as the focal point for Trinidad and Tobago

I take the opportunity to express my sincere hope for an enriching collaboration between the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and the Local2030 Islands Network.

Sincerely,


Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Planning and Development

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cc: Ms. Kate Brown, Executive Director, Global Islands Partnership