

The Sixth Assessment Report of the IPCC states, that climate change causes the redistribution of marine fish stocks, and negatively affects the equitable distribution of food provisioning services as fish stocks shift from lower to higher latitude regions.

The report also notes that climate-related extremes have affected the productivity of the fisheries sector, with negative consequences for food security and livelihoods.

Furthermore, the report highlights the particular risks to small islands, where impacts are forecasted to be more deeply felt, and for small-island developing states, where fisheries remain one of the main livelihood activities and source of food security, the implications go beyond an economic crisis; but a fight for our livelihood

The vulnerability of SIDS to climate change cannot be understated, being affected by coral bleaching, algal booms and other effects.

Seychelles applaud the FAO on the intersession work undertake on climate change and call for more support to countries with high vulnerability on the development of their adaptation and mitigation action plan against climate change.

We thank the EU on their intervention for recommending to the Committee that attention should be given to SIDS and LDCs on climate change. We are the least polluters but are paying the highest price for climate change.

As such Seychelles recommend that the FAO and the Committee make it a priority for giving special attention and assistance to SIDS and LDCs on this domain.

Thank you chair