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# People Engagement Frameworks

Small Island Developing States  
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## Effective, accountable and inclusive institutions

# SIDS consolidated overview on People Engagement:

1. Legal and Regulatory Frameworks

2. Organizational Frameworks:  
Economic and Social Councils and similar  
institutions



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## Effective, accountable and inclusive institutions (contd.)

### 1. Legal and regulatory frameworks

- **SIDS Constitutional provisions on the right to access information**



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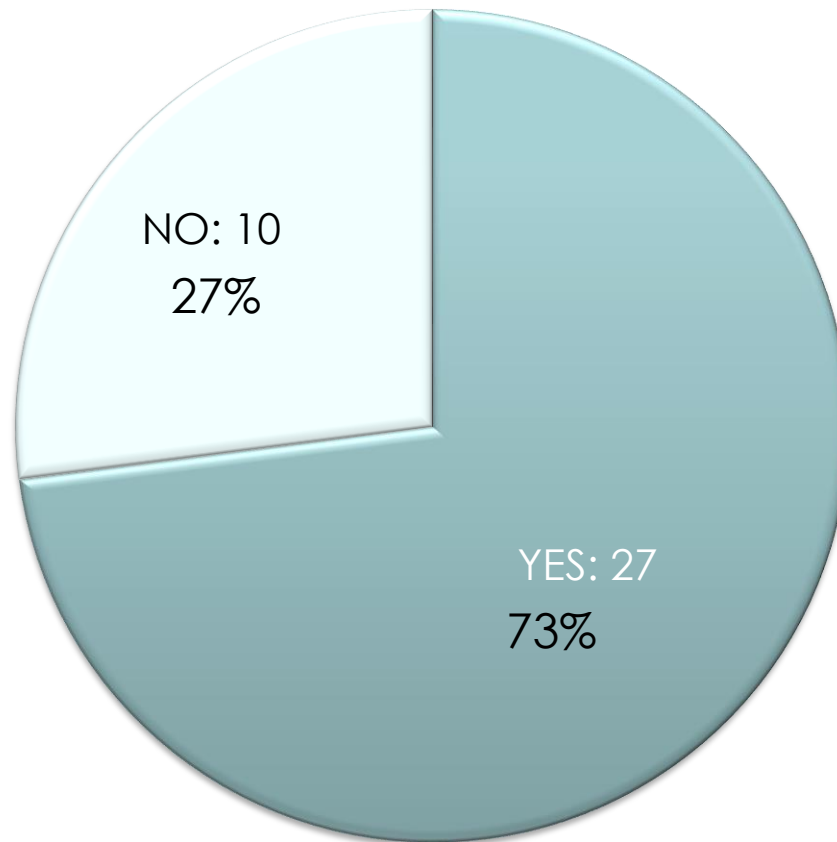
## Effective, accountable and inclusive institutions (contd.)

### 1. Legal and regulatory frameworks

- **Based on research conducted by DESA/DPADM in 2012-2017**
  - Out of 37 SIDS, 27 (73%) have provisions enshrining access to public information in their Constitution
  - 13 countries (35%) have enacted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to legally enforce the right to access public information.



# Promulgation of People's Access to Information within SIDS Constitutions (percentages)



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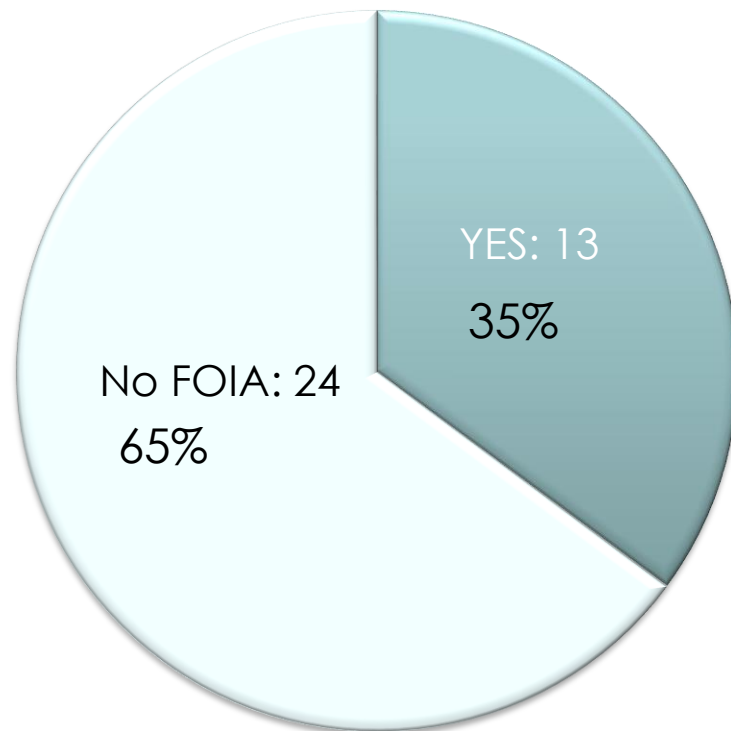
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# SIDS with and without Freedom of Information Acts (FOIA, percentages)



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## Effective, accountable and inclusive institutions (contd.)

### 1. Legal and regulatory frameworks

- **Based on research conducted by DESA/DPADM in 2012-2017**

- Nine countries (24%) have a Data Protection Act (DPA) to support privacy and confidentiality of information.



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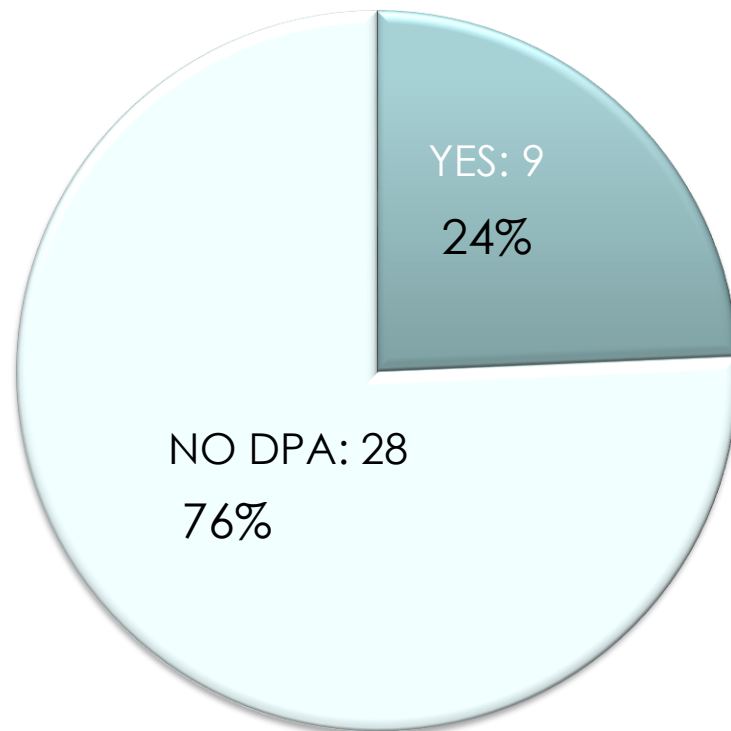
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# Percentage of SIDS with and without Data Protection Acts (DPA, percentages)



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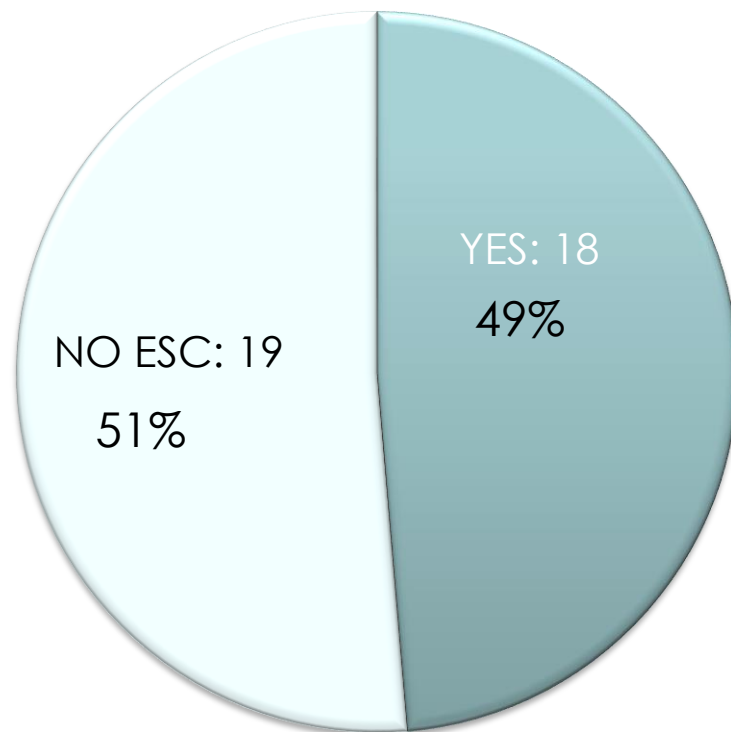
### 2. Organizational Framework – Economic and Social Councils (ESCs) or Similar Institutions

- **ESCs** may provide spaces for participatory dialogue and consultation for more inclusive decision-making.
- **Based on research conducted by DESA/DPADM in 2012-2017**
  - 18 countries (49%) have an ESC or similar institution in place.





# SIDS with and without Economic and Social Councils (percentages)



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