

# LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PLATFORM

## Concept note: LCIPP workplan activity 6

### Develop recommendations for consideration at SBSTA 54 on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process

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#### 1. Introduction

As part of the two-year workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP), the Facilitative Working Group (FWG) is tasked with developing recommendations for consideration at SBSTA 54 on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process.

This activity falls under the LCIPP's function of "Capacity for engagement" whereby the platform builds:

- "The capacity of indigenous peoples and local communities to enable their engagement in the UNFCCC process; and
- The capacity of Parties and other relevant stakeholders to engage with the Platform and with local communities and indigenous peoples, including in the context of the implementation of the Paris Agreement and other climate change related processes".

#### 2. Objectives

The objective of this activity is to develop a set of recommendations on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process, for the consideration of Parties.

#### 3. Approach/methodologies for planning and implementing this activity

The assessment will be undertaken in two parts:

##### Assess UNFCCC policies, actions and communications

This part of the assessment will be informed by the mapping (activity 9) that the FWG is undertaking on existing **policies, actions and communications**, including NDCs, national adaptation plans and other relevant policies and communications under the Convention, with respect to whether and how they incorporate consideration and engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities.

As such, the FWG members that are co-leads of activity 6 will assess, with the support of the secretariat, the following inputs/outputs of activity 9:

- The data collected by the secretariat for the activity 9 mapping exercise. This data is collected from analyzing several hundred documents (nationally determined contributions (NDCs), national adaptation plans (NAPs), biennial reports of developed countries, biennial update reports of developing countries, national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs), long-term low greenhouse gas emission development strategies, and national communications (Nat. comms);
- A draft technical paper by the FWG specifically on the analysis of gaps (for activity 9);
- The survey responses received from Parties, IPOs, and other contributors and the response summary by the secretariat;
- The submissions received in response to the call for submissions: "Views from Parties, indigenous peoples organizations, observers and other stakeholders on existing policies, actions and

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communications including NDCs, NAPs, and other relevant policies and communications under the UNFCCC, with respect to whether and how they incorporate consideration and engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities”.

### Assess existing policies and practices under and outside of the UNFCCC

The co-leads for activity 6 will also look into other processes under the UNFCCC, as well as outside of the Convention; to assess the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities. Such processes may include engagement and input into **meetings and bodies**.

It will also be informed by the mapping being undertaken for activity 7: “Map existing policies and practices for the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in climate change related bodies and processes **under and outside the Convention**”. The FWG, with the support of the secretariat, will assess the following input/output of activity 7:

- Submissions;
- The technical paper.

Through this assessment, the FWG will take into consideration policies and practices under the Convention, as well as those in climate change-related bodies and processes outside of the UNFCCC. Good practices can inform the recommendations, drawing in part on experiences of a similar nature elsewhere. The partners mentioned in section 6 below will be a key part of this assessment.

#### 4. Deliverables and Results

- A set of recommendations (partly in coordination with the co-leads of activity 9, which is also mandated to produce recommendations)
- [Placeholder for possible half-day virtual dialogue]
- A guidance document or toolkit to complement the recommendations

#### 5. Timeline and milestones

Activity 6 is mandated for FWG 4 (date tbc)

Month and year	Deliverable
August 2020	Finalize concept note
October 2020	Initiate the assessment exercise Discuss possible half-day virtual dialogue Draft recommendations and guidance document/toolkit
At FWG 5 (tbc)	Finalize recommendations and guidance document/toolkit

#### 6. Partners

Key partners identified include: IPOs, other organizations whose work is relevant to climate change (such as the secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, IPMG SDGs, UNESCO, WMO, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the PCCB, the secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification)

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### 7. Linkages with other activities

This activity is linked with:

Activity 4: “Organize annual thematic training workshops to build **capacity for engaging indigenous peoples, and local communities** in the relevant work under and outside the UNFCCC process”;

Activity 7: “Map **existing policies and practices for the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in climate change related bodies and processes under and outside the Convention**”;

Activity 9: “Map existing policies, actions and communications, including NDCs, national adaptation plans and other relevant policies and communications under the Convention, with respect to **whether and how they incorporate consideration and engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities**”;

Activity 11: “Map and report on existing funding within the United Nations system, and identify additional funding opportunities for the **participation of indigenous peoples and local communities** from all regions related to climate change”.