

Second Annual Gathering of Knowledge Holders

Concept note

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Date, Time and Venue

- **Part I: Exchange amongst knowledge holders** on November 7th 2022; 10:00-18:00
- **Part II: Dialogue with Parties** on November 10th 2022; 14:00 – 16:00
- Venue: TBC, Sharm el-Sheikh International Convention Centre (SHICC)
- Interpretation available in the UN languages English, Spanish, Russian, French

Background

Activity 1, under the second three-year workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP), is mandated to “organize annual meetings in conjunction with the sessions of the COP, with the participation of indigenous peoples and indigenous knowledge holders, to expand and enhance inclusion of traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems in addressing and responding to climate change, consistently with rights-based international safeguards and indigenous peoples’ cultural protocols”.¹

This activity falls under LCIPP’s knowledge function to “promote the exchange of experience and best practices with a view to applying, strengthening, protecting and preserving traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems, as well as technologies, practices and efforts of local communities and indigenous peoples related to addressing and responding to climate change, taking into account the free, prior and informed consent of the holders of such knowledge, innovations, and practices”.

Annual gatherings of the LCIPP bring together knowledge holders to share and promote adaptation actions that are based on and guided by the best available science, including traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples, and local knowledge systems in accordance with Article 7 of the Paris Agreement.

Objectives

The annual gathering of knowledge holders will:

- Expand and enhance the inclusion of diverse knowledge systems in the design and implementation of climate policies and actions under and outside the Convention, through the direct participation of Indigenous knowledge holders, and local knowledge systems;
- Build the engagement of Indigenous youth, women, children, persons with disabilities, and local communities in all levels and aspects of climate policies and actions in the global effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and build climate resilience;
- Facilitate intergenerational knowledge sharing between indigenous and local knowledge holders from across the seven UN socio-cultural regions.
- Be of benefit to Parties, UN bodies, and other relevant stakeholders by sharing good practices of local communities, and practices, perspectives, and rights of indigenous peoples. This includes practices in climate knowledge syntheses which include indigenous, traditional, and local knowledge systems with FPIC. The annual gathering will also enable sharing of good practices and guidance to inform climate policies and actions]

¹ Second three-year workplan of the LCIPP (2022 – 2024), see <https://lcipp.unfccc.int/sites/default/files/2022-05/LCIPP%20second%20three%20year%20workplan.pdf>

- Be of benefit to knowledge holders through intergenerational and inter-regional knowledge sharing during the first part of the meeting, while utilizing the second part of the meeting to share best practices for the inclusion of indigenous knowledge and local knowledge systems in addressing and responding to climate change

Approach

The LCIPP annual gathering will be designed to feature two sessions:

- **Part I: Exchange amongst knowledge holders**
Intergenerational and Cross-regional Knowledge-sharing amongst Indigenous Knowledge Holders and Local Knowledge Holders
 The first part of the gathering will serve as a knowledge sharing meeting for indigenous knowledge holders, including youth, -focused on intergenerational and cross-regional knowledge-sharing and development of recommendations based on indigenous knowledge and local knowledge, methods, lived experiences, and practices, and discussion about how and what information and recommendations will be shared in part two;
- **Part II: Dialogue with Parties**
Indigenous knowledge holders and Local knowledge holders with Party Representatives
 The second part of the gathering will feature participation by knowledge holders from each of the UN indigenous socio-cultural regions, local communities, Party representatives, international organizations, constituted bodies under the Convention, and scientific bodies. In this segment of the gathering, the knowledge holders will present knowledge-based observations and recommendations, and proposals for integrating this knowledge into climate action and policies.

Agenda:

Part I: Exchange amongst knowledge holders <u>Intergenerational and Cross-regional Knowledge-sharing amongst Indigenous Knowledge Holders and Local Knowledge Holders</u> November 7th, 2022; 10:00-18:00	
10:00- 10:10	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Invocation by <i>Amy Juan (North America)</i> (tbc) ○ Activity overview and objectives by <i>Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i>
10:10 – 10:20	Scene Setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Key points from the first annual gathering of knowledge holders at COP 26 by <i>Pasang Dolma Sherpa, former Activity 1 Co-lead, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i> ○ Outcomes from Africa and Asia bi-regional gathering of the LCIPP by <i>Edna Kaptoyo, Activity 2 Co-lead, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i>

<p>10:20-11:40</p>	<p>Round table 1: Indigenous perspectives on climate change and potential solutions</p> <p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ How do climate change-related impacts on the ways of life of your peoples, traditional livelihoods, knowledge systems and cultural practices?○ What recommendations or concrete actions do you propose to address these problems? <p>Knowledge holder from each region responds to framing questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Saro Pyagbara (Africa)● Sada Albachir (Africa)● Lakpa Sherpa (Asia)● Viktoriia Firsova (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia)● Jorge Luis Andreve D. (Central and South America and the Caribbean)● Chief Howard Thompson (North America)● Caroline Martel (the Arctic)● Petero Qaloibau (the Pacific) <p>Open dialogue featuring comments and questions from other knowledge-holders</p> <p><i>Moderation by Cathryn Eatock and Majid Shafiepour (Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP)</i></p>
<p>11:40– 13:00</p>	<p>Round table 2: Health and well-being in relationship to culture, language and spirituality</p> <p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ How does your relationship with land help to mitigate and adapt to climate change?○ How can spiritual and cultural values further enhance the actions?○ What recommendations, practices, concrete actions or solutions do you propose that would improve health and well-being in the face of climate change? <p>Knowledge holder from each region responds to framing questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Balkissou Buba (Africa)● Sakda Saenmi (Asia)● Gennady Shchukin (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia)● Aivana Enmykau (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia)● Benito Calixto G. (Central and South America and the Caribbean)● Duane Hatahli Yazzie (North America)● Amy Juan (North America)● Piita Irnirq (the Arctic)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dietrix Jon Duhaylonsod (the Pacific) <p>Open dialogue featuring comments and questions from other knowledge-holders</p> <p><i>Moderation by Cathryn Eatock and Graeme Reed (Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP)</i></p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:20	<p>Round table 3: Understanding how indigenous knowledge systems, and biocultural diversity stewardship has helped mitigate and adapt to climate change</p> <p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What practices do you have which may serve to steward, restore, or safeguard your natural ecosystems, biodiversity, habitat, and other parts of nature? ○ How have these practices enhanced the ability of your peoples to respond to and prevent adverse climate impacts? ○ What recommendations, practices, concrete actions or solutions do you propose that would improve diverse ways of knowing and stewarding nature? <p>Knowledge holder from each region responds to framing questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aïssatou Oumarou (Africa) • Mamta Kujur (Asia) • Olga Kostrova (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia) • María Eugenia Choque Q. (Central and South America and the Caribbean) • Jesús Amadeo Martínez G. (Central and South America and the Caribbean) • Priscilla Settee (North America) • Anders Oskal (the Arctic) • Sele Naivala Tagivuni (the Pacific) • Taksey Dobon (the Pacific) <p>Open dialogue featuring comments and questions from other knowledge-holders</p> <p><i>Moderation by Graeme Reed and Majid Shafiepour (Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP)</i></p>
15:20 – 16:40	<p>Round table 4: Perspectives of indigenous youth</p> <p>Discussion Topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What practices do you draw on from your elders and history, that help your people face climate change-related challenges?

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Could you provide recommendations or practices that would build the engagement of youth in all levels of climate policies and actions? How can this engagement change the results of policies and climate action? <p>Knowledge holders from each region responds to framing questions :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Faith Nataya (Africa)● Nicky Batang-ay (Asia)● Dilbara Sharipova (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia)● Roberto Ricardo Campos G. (Central and South America and the Caribbean)● Karissa Glendale (North America)● Alicia Sara-Elvira Kuhmunen (the Arctic)● Janice Parsons (the Arctic)● Samuel Womisor (the Pacific) <p>Open dialogue featuring comments and questions from other knowledge-holders</p> <p><i>Moderation by Cathryn Eatock, Graeme Reed and Majid Shafiepour (Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP)</i></p>
16:40 – 17:55	<p>Discussion among knowledge holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Drawing on your experiences and the discussions today, what practices would help Parties make collective progress towards addressing the impacts of climate change, including mitigation, adaptation, and loss and damage?○ What efforts and practices that you discussed today, would strengthen the contribution of indigenous expertise, knowledge systems and cultural values to achieving the objectives of the Convention and the Paris Agreement? <p><i>Moderation by Cathryn Eatock, Graeme Reed and Majid Shafiepour (Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP)</i></p>
17:55 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Overview of Next Steps● Closing invocation by indigenous knowledge holder

Part II: Dialogue with Parties <i>Indigenous knowledge holders and Local knowledge holders with Party Representatives</i> November 10th; 14:00 – 16:00	
14:00 - 14:15	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Indigenous invocation○ Welcome remarks, Objectives of Activity 1 and significance for Parties and other stakeholder <i>by Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i>○ Opening remarks <i>by Mr. Tosi Mpanu Mpanu, Chair of SBSTA (tbc)</i>
14:15 – 15:45	Dialogue and discussion <u>Perspectives of indigenous knowledge holders on outcomes of discussions from Part I:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Indigenous perspectives on climate change and potential solutions○ Health and well-being in relationship to culture, language and spirituality○ Understanding how indigenous knowledge systems, and cultural diversity and nature stewardship has helped mitigate and adapt to climate change○ Perspectives of indigenous youth <hr/> <u>Questions and responses from Parties and constituted bodies to the below framing question:</u> <p>How can Parties and constituted bodies integrate the outcomes from the roundtables in intergovernmental negotiations, UNFCCC processes and framing the national climate policy?</p> <p>Contributors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Representative from Parties● Constituted Bodies’ Representatives● Other knowledge holders <p>Note: Parties are encouraged to contribute to the discussions after the lead contributors</p> <p><i>Moderation by Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i></p>
15:45 -16:00	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Summary of discussions, next steps and closing <i>by Activity 1 Co-leads, Facilitative Working Group of the LCIPP</i>○ Closing invocation