

Annual Capacity Building Workshop for Parties, Constituted Bodies, and Other Stakeholders:

Transforming climate action through engaging Indigenous Peoples and local communities

04 June 2024; 13:00 -15:00

Lower Conference Room, AAH, UN Campus Bonn

Background

Indigenous Peoples and local communities contribute distinct values, worldviews, knowledge systems, and traditional practices, among others to the global community's collective efforts in addressing climate change and building resilience. In decisions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement, Parties have recognized the important role of local communities and Indigenous Peoples in relation to the stewardship of and living in harmony with nature,¹ and in effective action on climate change.² The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) also highlights the significant potential of the knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local knowledge systems to provide important understanding for acting effectively on climate risk, and that rights-based and inclusive approaches lead to more sustainable outcomes³. At the same time, Indigenous Peoples and local communities face higher climate change impacts due to their direct reliance on ecosystems for basic needs.

Although the COP and CMA have urged Parties to actively involve Indigenous Peoples and local communities in climate action, sustained engagement remains limited. There is a pressing need to build the capacity of Parties, constituted bodies, and other stakeholders to better engage with Indigenous Peoples and local communities and with the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP) in the context of the Paris Agreement and other climate-related processes. Moreover, in 2024 starting at SBSTA 60, Parties will consider the report of the LCIPP's Facilitative Working Group, including the proposed 2025-2027 LCIPP workplan, and undertake the second review of the Facilitative Working Group.

Objectives

- Enhance the capacity of Parties, constituted bodies, and other stakeholders to strengthen the human-rights-based engagement of Indigenous Peoples and engagement of local communities in national, regional, and global climate policymaking, as well as in the work of relevant bodies and processes under and outside the UNFCCC process related to assessing and responding to climate change;
- Promote among Parties, constituted bodies, and other stakeholders a clear understanding of the LCIPP and its functions to strengthen climate action by integrating diverse values and knowledge systems in the design and implementation of climate policies and actions, as well as of the role of the Facilitative Working Group;
- Update and take stock of existing policies, actions, protocols, guidelines, and communications related to the engagement of the values, knowledge, and practices of the Indigenous Peoples and local communities.

¹ Decision 16/CP.26, see unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cp2021_12_add2_adv.pdf

² Decision 1/CP.26 and 1/CMA.3, see unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021_10_add1_adv.pdf

³ IPCC AR6 Synthesis Report Summary for Policymakers

Approach and target audience

The training workshop will elevate the voices of Indigenous and local knowledge holders and representatives as trainers/presenters and use interactive and participatory methods to engage Parties, UNFCCC constituted bodies and other stakeholders. The workshop will include presentations, interactive activities, and open dialogues.

Languages

Interpretation: English, French, Russian, Spanish

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Activity 5 of the LCIPP Second Three-Year Workplan
Draft Concept Note by Facilitative Working Group (FWG)

Draft Agenda

Moderated by Activity 5 co-leads: Emily Vallée Watt, Gunn-Britt Retter

Time	Agenda item	Speaker(s)
10 mins	Meet and Greet	
5 mins	Indigenous Invocation	<i>TBC</i>
5 mins	Welcome Remarks Overview of LCIPP and FWG and Activity 5	<i>FWG Activity 5 co-lead</i>
5 mins	Interactive session (Mentimeter) <i>Guiding Questions:</i> - <i>What policies or mechanisms do you have for engaging with Indigenous Peoples and local communities?</i> - <i>How have you been engaging with the LCIPP?</i>	<i>Secretariat</i>
10 mins	History of participation of Indigenous Peoples and local community representatives in the UNFCCC Process	<i>Possible trainers:</i> Pasang Dolma Sherpa Rodion Sulyandziga
10 mins	LCIPP and FWG report 2024, including the LCIPP workplan for 2025-2027	<i>Activity 5 co-leads</i>
25 mins	Open Dialogue – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections from the floor • Questions and Answers <i>[Participants will have an opportunity to input any questions they may have on the LCIPP, FWG report 2024, including the LCIPP workplan for 2025-2027]</i>	<i>All Participants</i>
30 mins	Sharing of guidance materials and recommendations on enhancing rights-based engagement of Indigenous Peoples and engagement of local communities in national climate policymaking	<i>Indigenous Peoples and local community representatives are welcomed to share any guidance materials</i>
5 mins	Engagement with LCIPP platform Call for submissions and contributing to the workplan activities	<i>Secretariat</i>
10 mins	Closing remarks	<i>High-level Champions</i>
5 mins	Indigenous Invocation	<i>TBC</i>