

The initial two-year workplan of the LCIPP for the period 2020-2021

Purposes of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

To strengthen the knowledge, technologies, practices and efforts of local communities and indigenous peoples related to addressing and responding to climate change, to facilitate the exchange of experience and the sharing of best practices and lessons learned related to mitigation and adaptation in a holistic and integrated manner and to enhance the engagement of local communities and indigenous peoples in the UNFCCC process (decision 2/CP.23, para. 5).

Functions:

- Knowledge: Promoting 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;
- Capacity for engagement: Building the capacity of indigenous peoples and local communities to enable their engagement in the UNFCCC process as well as 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;
- Climate change policies and actions: Facilitating the integration of diverse knowledge systems, practices and innovations in designing and implementing international and national actions, programmes and policies in a manner that respects and promotes the rights and interests of local communities and indigenous peoples. The Platform also facilitates the undertaking of stronger and more ambitious climate action by indigenous peoples and local communities that could contribute to the achievement of the NDC of the Parties concerned.

Introduction to the initial two-year workplan

Context and background

The workplan in accordance with the Paris Agreement and decision 1/CP.21, in the context of taking collective action to mobilize stronger and more ambitious climate action by all, including indigenous peoples and local communities.

In developing the workplan, the FWG recognized the significance of the decision at COP 21 to establish a platform for the exchange of experience and sharing of best practices on mitigation and adaptation in a holistic and integrated manner for indigenous peoples, local communities and Parties. It noted decisions 2/CP.23 and 2/CP.24.

Overarching outcomes

The FWG underscored its determination to operationalize the activities under the LCIPP in order to strengthen:

- The knowledge, technologies, practices and efforts of local communities and indigenous peoples related to addressing and responding to climate change at the local, national, regional and international level;
- The capacity of indigenous peoples, local communities and Parties to reach the Paris Agreement temperature goal, including through policies and actions based on traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples, local knowledge systems, indigenous values and practices, and enhanced stewardship;
- The engagement, inclusion and partnership of indigenous peoples and local communities, including women, youth and knowledge holders, in the UNFCCC and other processes in a manner that recognizes traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples, and local knowledge systems, as well as the practices and contributions of indigenous peoples and local communities;
- The understanding, respect, transmission and safeguarding of traditional knowledge, the knowledge of indigenous peoples (and the associated rights) and local knowledge systems.

In accordance with decision 2/CP.24, direct involvement of indigenous peoples and Parties successfully led to the development of this flexible workplan under the incremental approach to operationalizing the LCIPP. The workplan activities are grouped according to the specific functions set out in decision 2/CP.23, broadly referred to as knowledge, capacity for engagement, and climate change policies and actions.

Furthermore, while the activities are grouped by function, the workplan includes many activities that are cross-cutting, with the intention of addressing more than one function with each activity. The activities are also intended to have multi-level impacts at the local/tribal/community, national, regional and international level.

In accordance with its mandate in decision 2/CP.24, the FWG will strive to conduct the activities in collaboration with other bodies under and outside the Convention to enhance the coherence and impact of the LCIPP. Gender considerations will be mainstreamed in the activities in coherence with the UNFCCC gender action plan.

See pages 3-5 for the activities of the workplan.

| No. | Activity | Deliverables | Primary implementer(s)/ supporter(s) | Potential partnership(s) | Time frame |
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| Knowledge | | | | | |
| 1 | Organize annual meetings in conjunction with the sessions of the COP, with the participation of indigenous peoples, on traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples, and local knowledge systems on cross-cutting themes related to addressing and responding to climate change | <p>Compilation of information on existing rights of indigenous peoples related to the exchange and safeguarding of traditional knowledge, and on indigenous peoples' protocols, in the context of the LCIPP, to inform the 1st annual meeting</p> <p>Compilation of information on the use of local knowledge systems, to inform the 1st annual meeting</p> <p>One meeting per year</p> <p>Summary reports on the meetings, which could include recommendations to the FWG on good practices, obstacles and proposed solutions</p> | <p>FWG</p> <p>Indigenous peoples from the seven United Nations indigenous sociocultural regions, IIPFCC</p> | <p>Indigenous peoples, knowledge holders and other relevant bodies under and outside the Convention</p> | <p>In conjunction with COP 26 and 27</p> |
| 2 | Organize regional gatherings with the participation of indigenous peoples, Parties and local communities, as appropriate, focused on threats to and impacts on specific ecosystems from climate change, and on sustaining livelihoods | <p>At least one regional workshop per year for and in a different United Nations sociocultural indigenous region or United Nations regional group</p> <p>Input to the FWG meetings in the form of summary reports, which could include recommendations</p> <p>Tool on the dedicated LCIPP web portal for highlighting the work and recommendations of indigenous peoples, and indigenous-led gatherings and conferences</p> | <p>FWG members from designated regions States in designated regions, indigenous peoples, organizations, IIPFCC, IPMG, others</p> | <p>Regional indigenous peoples' networks and relevant bodies under and outside the Convention</p> | <p>2020–2021</p> |
| 3 | Identify and disseminate information about the development and use of indigenous peoples' curricula and materials that incorporate indigenous knowledge and languages in formal and informal education systems, and/or incorporate traditional and local knowledge systems, related to addressing and responding to climate change | <p>Identification of examples of curricula that can be replicated in other areas</p> <p>Communication and dissemination of model curricula and materials via the web portal, the activities in this workplan, as appropriate, and through other channels</p> | <p>FWG</p> <p>Indigenous peoples</p> | <p>Indigenous educators</p> <p>Institutions of indigenous education</p> <p>UNESCO</p> <p>Relevant bodies under and outside the Convention</p> | <p>2020–2021</p> |

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| Capacity for engagement | | | | | |
| 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 | One thematic training workshop per year with indigenous peoples, local communities, Parties and other relevant stakeholders | FWG, IPOs, United Nations agencies | United Nations Institute for Training and Research, WMO, multilateral development banks (World Bank, Asian Development Bank, etc.) Other relevant bodies under and outside the Convention | In conjunction with FWG 3 and FWG 5 |
| 5 | Develop an outreach/dissemination plan and thematic training materials | Outreach/dissemination plan Thematic training materials | FWG | All relevant stakeholders | In 2020 |
| 6 | Develop recommendations for consideration at SBSTA 54 on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process | Set of recommendations Guidance document or toolkit to complement the recommendations | FWG | 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) | At FWG 4 |

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| <i>Climate change policies and actions</i> | | | | | |
| 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 | Call for submissions Technical paper | FWG | IPOs, Center for International Environmental Law, Other relevant bodies under and outside the Convention | For FWG 3 and 4 |
| 8 | Hold a multi-stakeholder in-session workshop on enhancing synergy and interaction with climate change related bodies and processes under and outside the Convention | In-session workshop Workshop report | FWG | Relevant bodies under and outside the Convention | At COP 26 |
| 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 | Call for submissions, open to all Technical paper on analysis of gaps Set of recommendations by the FWG to Parties | Secretariat | FWG | For FWG 4 |
| 10 | Call for Parties, indigenous peoples, local communities and others to report annually, through submissions, on the implementation of good practices for indigenous peoples' and local communities' participation in national climate policy | Call for submissions, open to all Summary document compiling information from the submissions In-session dialogue | FWG | IP Caucus IPOs UNESCO and other relevant bodies under and outside the Convention | For FWG 3 and FWG 5 |
| 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 | Synthesis document Online tool specifically on funding, on the LCIPP dedicated web portal | FWG | Green Climate Fund and other relevant bodies under and outside the Convention | 2020 |
| 12 | Promote the LCIPP at the national and regional level | Compilation of good practices for developing national and regional platforms with the aim of informing and inspiring the further development of such platforms Briefing note on the LCIPP, to be disseminated to indigenous peoples, local communities, Parties and other relevant stakeholders | FWG | All relevant stakeholders | For FWG 5 |