LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PLATFORM

A trusted and inclusive space for indigenous peoples and local communities to work with Parties towards a climate-resilient world for all.
Concept note: LCIPP workplan activity 11
Climate change policies and action: 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

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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 mapping and reporting 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.

This activity falls under the LCIPP’s function of “Climate change policies and actions” whereby the platform facilitates 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 indigenous peoples and local communities and. 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 NDCs.

The LCIPP was established at COP 21 to to enhance knowledge, technologies, practices and the efforts of indigenous peoples and local communities to address climate change, in order to facilitate the exchange of experiences, best practices and lessons learned on mitigation and adaptation to climate change. The adoption of the workplan of the platform by SBSTA 51 in Madrid created a momentous opportunity for the further engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities under the Convention. Many activities in the LCIPP work plan can lead to incremental progress in this regard, as per the incremental approach mandated of the platform.

2. Objectives

The primary focus of this mapping and reporting exercise, as per the workplan, is to identify existing funds/funding within the UN system that is related to climate change, including those that are part of the financial mechanism of the Convention and others; as well as to identify additional funding opportunities for the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities from all regions related to climate change. The mapping will also aim to map funds at different levels that are
accessible to indigenous peoples, related to capacity building and education, adaptation and mitigation

3. **Approach/methodologies for planning and implementing this activity**
   - Identify existing funding opportunities within the UN system. Map the existing funding opportunities at the global, regional and national levels. As part of this, survey relevant UN entities, and possibly others, to identify existing and climate-related funding opportunities, the focus of such funds (e.g. geographic focus, sectoral focus), and accessibility for indigenous peoples and local communities related to climate action. Survey Monkey can be used. Key actor interviews can also be undertaken to complement the results of the survey. All results will be analyzed and the findings could be integrated into other LCIPP workplan activities;
   - Obtain a clear understanding of the extent to which the funding opportunities are accessible to indigenous peoples and local communities, in the context of climate change;
   - Enhance awareness of funding opportunities for indigenous peoples and local communities related to climate change efforts;
   - Align the work under this activity with other priority activities to foster and maximize synergies to enhance the engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities in climate-related process that affect their lives;
   - The FWG may develop a set of recommendations that will feed into activity 6 of the LCIPP initial two-year workplan and contribute towards the overall purposes of the LCIPP. Activity 6 mandates the FWG to “Develop recommendations for consideration at SBSTA 54 (mid-2021) on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process”;
   - Develop an online tool specifically on funding, on the LCIPP web portal.

4. **Deliverables and Results**
   - A survey designed and disseminated, to identify funding in the UN System (different levels of funding);
   - Synthesis document;
   - Online tool specifically on funding, on the LCIPP dedicated web portal;
   - The FWG may choose to also consider the synthesis document and come up with a set of recommendations.

5. **Timeline and milestones**

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6. **Partners**

Green Climate Fund, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, and other relevant bodies/funds under and outside the Convention.

7. **Linkages with other activities**

This activity is linked to the other activities under the function of “Climate change policies and actions”. It relates to another mapping, activity 9: “Mapping existing policies, actions and communications, including NDCs, NAPs 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”. Once published, this technical paper can feed into the recommendations to be developed under Activity 6: “Develop recommendations for consideration at SBSTA 54 on the engagement and input of indigenous peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process”.
