**Theme:** Indigenous Peoples’ Climate Leadership: Community-based solutions to enhance resilience and biodiversity

IFAD Headquarters, Italian Conference Room

**Day 1 - Thursday, 9 February 2023**

09.30 - 10.45 **Opening session**  
*Chair: Jyotsna Puri, Associate Vice-President, Strategy and Knowledge Department, IFAD*

**Indigenous Peoples’ opening ceremony**

Welcoming remarks by Jyotsna Puri

Opening remarks by Alvaro Lario, President of IFAD

Opening remarks by Esperance Binyuki Nyota, Jesus Amadeo Martinez Guzman and Pallab Chakma, Members of the Steering Committee of the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum at IFAD (IPFI)

Keynote address by Dario José Mejía, Chair, UNPFII

Presentation and approval of the agenda

10.45 - 11.00 **Coffee break**

11.00 - 12.30 **Trends and developments in IFAD’s partnership with Indigenous Peoples**  
*Chair: Joseph Ole Simel, Member, IPFI Steering Committee*

Ilaria Firmian, Senior Technical Specialist, Indigenous Peoples, IFAD  
Presentation on IFAD’s updated Policy on Engagement with Indigenous Peoples and progress during 2021-2022

Video on the Indigenous Peoples Assistance Facility (IPAF)

Eleanor Dictaan-Bang-ao (Tebtebba Foundation), Jacqueline Macharia (Samburu Women Trust), Yohanis Amador (International Indigenous Women's Forum), IPAF Regional co-managers  
Presentation on the achievements made by the IPAF projects

Yun Mane, Margaret Tunda Lepore, Ulaiai Baya, Members, IPFI Steering Committee and Nestor Perez, Member, Salvadoran National Indigenous Coordinating Council  
Presentations on the findings and recommendations of the regional and sub-regional consultation meetings held in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Pacific

Discussion

12.30 - 14.00 **Lunch break**
Discussion on the overall theme *Indigenous Peoples’ Climate Leadership: Community-based solutions to enhance resilience and biodiversity*

Chair: Oliver Page, Lead Climate and Environment Specialist and IPAF Board Member, IFAD

Video on the IFAD Pro-semiarid Project, Kiriri people (Brazil)

Sherilee Harper, Associate Professor, School of Public Health, University of Alberta and Lead Author on the IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report

Liliana Vianey Vargas, Indigenous Consultant, IFAD

Wolde Tadesse, Member, IPFI Steering Committee and IPAF Board

Carine Nzimba Zere, IPAF project representative

Jennifer Rubis, Indigenous Peoples Specialist, Green Climate Fund

Lucy Mulenkei, Chair, GEF Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group

Discussion

15.30 - 15.45 Coffee break

15.45 - 16.30 Discussion on the overall theme *Indigenous Peoples’ Climate Leadership: Community-based solutions to enhance resilience and biodiversity* (continued)

16.30 - 17.00 2023 IFAD Indigenous Peoples Awards Ceremony

17.00 - 18.00 Welcoming reception (conference area)

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**Day 2 - Friday, 10 February 2023**

09.30 - 12.30 Private Audience with His Holiness Pope Francis at the Holy See (Indigenous Peoples’ delegates only)

12.30 - 14.00 Lunch break – *The voice of Indigenous Peoples: A gender perspective* in collaboration with the Gender Team at IFAD (Indigenous Peoples’ delegates only)

14.00 - 17.00 Regional Parallel Sessions: Strengthening the engagement of Indigenous Peoples with IFAD at the country and regional levels

Latin America and the Caribbean (C100 Conference Room)

*Chairs: Dayana Domico, Member, IPFI Steering Committee and Rossana Polastri, Regional Director, Latin America and the Caribbean Division*

Africa (Italian Conference Room)

*Chairs: Margaret Tunda Lepore, Member, IPFI Steering Committee and Dina Saleh, Regional Director, Near East, North Africa and Europe Division*

Asia and the Pacific (Oval Conference Room)

*Chairs: Phoolman Chaudhary, Member, IPFI Steering Committee and Reehana Raza, Regional Director, Asia and the Pacific Division*
Day 3 - Monday, 13 February 2023

9.30 – 10.45  **Discussion and finalization of the Synthesis of Deliberations**  
*Chair: Myrna Cunningham, Chairperson, IPFI Steering Committee and Member, IPAF Board*

10.45 - 11.00  **Coffee break**

11.00 - 12.30  **Discussion and finalization of the Synthesis of Deliberations (continued)**

12.30 - 14.00  **Lunch break**

14.00 – 15.30  **Panel Discussion with Rome-Based Agencies on the Coalition on Indigenous Peoples’ Food Systems**  
*Chair: Lola García-Alix, Senior Advisor, Global Governance, International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs*

**H.E. Miguel Jorge García Winder**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Mexico to the UN Agencies Based in Rome

**Dario José Mejía**, Chair, UNPFII

**Pallab Chakma**, Asia Representative, International Land Coalition Global Council

**Myrna Cunningham**, Chairperson, IPFI Steering Committee and Member, IPAF Board

**Phrang Roy**, Coordinator, The Indigenous Partnership for Agrobiodiversity and Food Sovereignty

**Nigel Thomas Crawhall**, Chief Section for Small Islands and Indigenous Knowledges, UNESCO

**Ilaria Firmian**, Senior Technical Specialist, Indigenous Peoples, IFAD

**Alejandra Pero**, Global Advisor on Indigenous Peoples, WFP

**Yon Fernandez de Larrinoa**, Head, Indigenous Peoples Unit, FAO

15.30 - 15.45  **Coffee break**

15.45 – 17.00  **Final plenary session open to IFAD Governors and Executive Board Representatives**  
*Chair: Satu Santala, Associate Vice-President, External Relations and Governance Department, IFAD*

Reading of the final Synthesis of Deliberations

Reactions of IFAD management by **Donal Brown**, Associate Vice-President, Programme Management Department, IFAD

Exchanges with Governors and Executive Board Representatives

Closure of the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum at IFAD by **Dominik Ziller**, Vice-President of IFAD

**Indigenous Peoples’ closing ceremony**

17.00 - 18.30  **Closing reception (foyer)**
Indigenous Peoples’ representatives are invited to attend the Forty-sixth Session of IFAD Governing Council (14 and 15 February) with observer status.

**Tuesday, 14 February 2023**

12.15 - 13.15 Interactive session on Indigenous Peoples issues: *Indigenous Peoples’ Climate Leadership: Holistic perspective to achieving food security and nutrition*

18.30 – 18.45 Synthesis of Deliberations from the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum at IFAD, delivered by Margaret Tunda Lepore, Member, IPFI Steering Committee

**Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources**

One Indigenous Peoples’ representative is invited to attend the First session of the Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources (16 and 17 February) with observer status.

**Thursday, 16 February 2023**

Early Afternoon Statement on behalf of Indigenous Peoples

**Other events around the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum**

The following events and initiatives will take place around the days of the Forum to promote its awareness:

**Thursday, 2 February 2023**

12:30-13:30 *Change Cinema: The Illusion of Abundance* in collaboration with the International Land Coalition
Screening of a documentary featuring three women human rights defenders from Latin America on the front lines defending their land and communities (Italian Conference Room)

**Wednesday, 8 February 2023**

12:00-14:00 *Amazigh Tattoos and Signs from Morocco*
(Outside the cafeteria)

**Thursday 9 February, Friday 10 February and Monday 13 February 2023**

09:30-17:00 *The Indigenous Peoples’ Marketplace*
(Foyer)