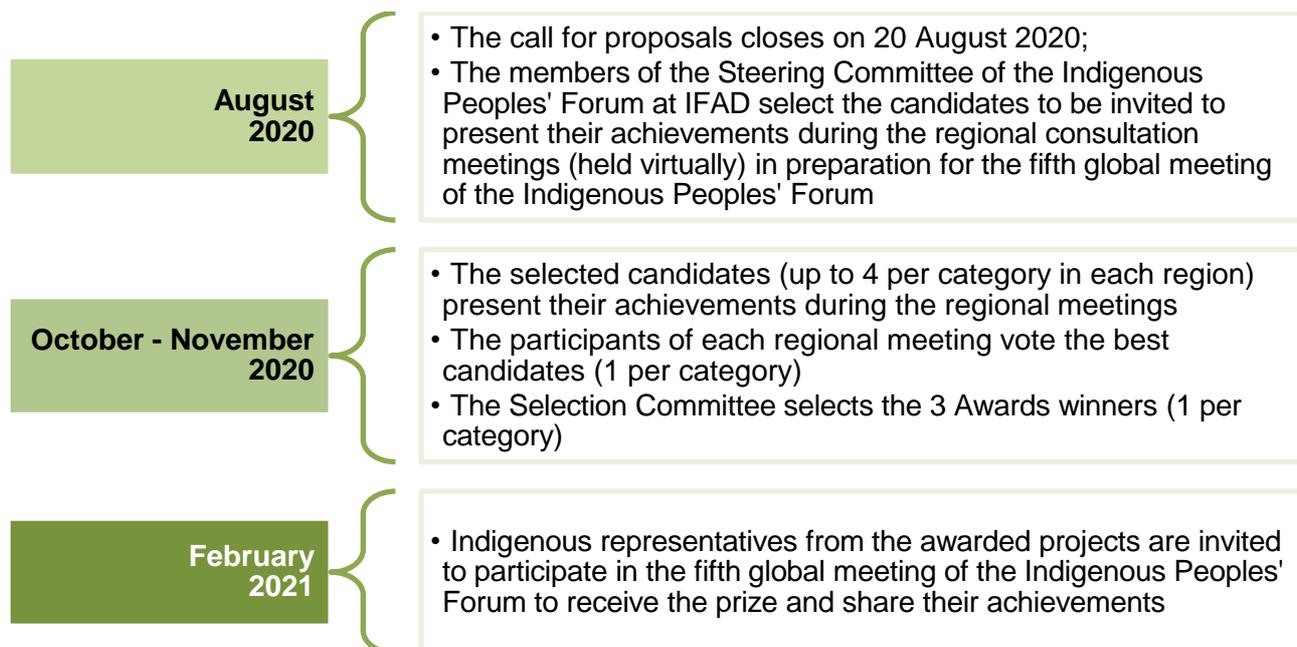


2020 Call for Nominations: Indigenous Peoples Awards

IFAD and Indigenous Peoples. Based on its [Policy on Engagement with Indigenous Peoples](#), IFAD supports indigenous peoples' self-driven development, while respecting and enhancing their traditional livelihoods, occupations and knowledge. At the same time, their role in managing of ecosystems and protecting biodiversity is a central pillar of IFAD's approach to mainstreaming the issues of nutrition, gender, youth and climate, particularly given the challenges faced by young indigenous women. Indigenous peoples hold valuable knowledge and traditions that provide solutions to major challenges. Their exclusion and marginalization threatens the central tenet of the 2030 Agenda – to leave no one behind. Since 2007, IFAD has financed, supported and managed the [Indigenous Peoples Assistance Facility \(IPAF\)](#), to build a direct partnership with indigenous peoples to enable them and their communities to design, approve and implement grass-roots development projects based on their own perspectives.

What are the Indigenous Peoples Awards? The Indigenous Peoples Awards, organized by IFAD's Indigenous Peoples Team in partnership with the members of the Steering Committee of the [Indigenous Peoples' Forum at IFAD](#) and of the Board of the Indigenous Peoples Assistance Facility (IPAF), are awarded biennially to recognize the efforts and the achievements of development projects that successfully engage with indigenous peoples living in rural areas. The purpose is to promote best practices of engagement, share knowledge and lessons learned and identify opportunities to replicate and scale-up results. The awarded projects will gain visibility and recognition throughout IFAD and its network of partners. The prizes will be delivered to representatives of indigenous peoples or ethnic minorities from the awarded projects¹.

The process (first edition)



¹ Travel, visa, lodging and daily subsistence allowance costs will be covered by IFAD for one indigenous beneficiary from each of the 3 awarded projects (in case the global meeting of the Indigenous Peoples' Forum at IFAD will be held residentially).

Awards Categories and Eligibility Criteria

Award Category	Who can apply	Project maturity
Best performing IFAD-funded project	IFAD staff, Project management staff	The project must be under implementation for at least two years
Best performing non-IFAD funded project	Indigenous peoples or ethnic minorities' organizations, communities, groups or associations implementing projects in rural areas of countries where IFAD operates (for a list of eligible countries, click here)	
Best performing IPAF-funded project	Organizations implementing projects approved under the fifth IPAF cycle	The project must be under implementation for at least one year

Selection Criteria

Results: The extent to which the nominated project has resulted in a measurable and positive impact in promoting indigenous peoples' right to self-determination;

Sustainability: The extent to which the nominated project contributed to the advancement of the Sustainable Development Goals;

Integrated approach: The extent to which the nominated project demonstrates opportunities for linkages and synergies between the engagement with indigenous peoples and the following themes: environment and climate change, gender, youth and nutrition;

Scalability and/or replicability: The extent to which the nominated project or its innovations can be scaled up and/or replicated elsewhere.

How and when to apply?

Click [here](#) to submit your nomination by **20 August 2020**

For further information, please contact indigenouspeoples@ifad.org.

Attachment 1: List of project information required for nomination

Category

1. Best performing IFAD-funded project
2. Best performing non IFAD-funded project
3. Best performing IPAF-funded project

Contact information

Name, title, organization, country, e-mail

Project name

Project region

Project country

Area of project implementation

Number of direct beneficiaries from indigenous peoples or ethnic minorities (actual or expected)

Representative of an indigenous people or ethnic minority from the project

Name, name of indigenous/tribal people or ethnic minority group, e-mail

Project director

Name, title, e-mail

Implementation period

Date the project became operational, project closing date (actual or expected)

Self-driven development

Activities that build upon the asset of indigenous peoples or ethnic minorities' culture and identity and take full advantage of their traditional knowledge, culture, governance systems and natural resources to promote their self-driven development

Note what has been achieved and how

Participation – Free, prior and informed consent (FPIC)

Initiatives to support the participation of indigenous peoples or ethnic minority communities in determining priorities and strategies for their own development, including through effective implementation of FPIC

Note what has been achieved and how

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Positive impacts on the SDGs

Note which SDGs have been positively impacted and how

Integrated approaches

Integrated approaches that promote linkages and synergies between indigenous peoples or ethnic minority communities and the following themes: environment and climate change, gender, youth and nutrition

Note linkages and synergies between the successful engagement with indigenous peoples and at least one of the following themes: environment and climate change, gender, youth and nutrition

Scalability and/or replicability

The project or its innovations can be scaled-up and/or successfully replicated elsewhere

Note the level of scalability and/or replicability

Annex 2: Indicative examples of project that could be awarded

- Increasing indigenous peoples communities' food security and nutrition;
- Preserving and promoting local varieties of traditional crops and indigenous food systems;
- Promoting inter-generational transfer of indigenous peoples' knowledge;
- Re-establishing lost, threatened and neglected food sources, practices and/or knowledge while adapting to changing conditions;
- Preserving wild species and seeds by establishing seed savers/keepers networks and community seed banks for indigenous seed varieties;
- Providing support and training on indigenous sustainable agricultural techniques and livelihoods, promoting diversity of plants and animals;
- Documenting and supporting indigenous and alternative pest management systems;
- Promoting agroecology and natural farming;
- Recording and disseminating knowledge about traditional food production and subsistence activities and related cultural knowledge and practices (using new and/or traditional knowledge transmission methods);
- Supporting the use, recovery and conservation of traditional varieties such as seeds, crops, livestock etc.;
- Supporting the implementation of community-based forestry systems;
- Managing natural resources;
- Supporting indigenous local communities' plans and strategies for land and resources management;
- Promoting soil and water conservation;
- Strengthening the capacity and awareness with respect to indigenous peoples' rights to land, territories and resources;
- Using participatory mapping collectively advocate for lands and open dialogue with the authorities;
- Promoting policy engagement with governments for the recognition of indigenous peoples' rights to land, territories and resources;
- Conducting studies by indigenous communities and others in conjunction with indigenous peoples to assess the impacts of imposed development (e.g. dams, deforestation, urbanization, industrial agricultural, mining, drilling) on the traditional lands, territories and subsistence resources of indigenous peoples;
- Strengthening capacity for responsible systems of traditional land, territory and resources governance;
- Promoting responsible systems of land, territory and resources governance improved by increased gender balance;
- Conserving biodiversity and responding to climate change by drawing on the indigenous values and practices;
- Identifying and promoting best practices and lessons that could influence climate change interventions to have positive impacts on indigenous peoples' communities;
- Promoting the integration and documentation of indigenous peoples' knowledge and practices in disaster risk reduction and prevention;
- Creating and strengthening income-generating groups/cooperatives;
- Building the capacity for and creation of income-generating activities;
- Assisting indigenous peoples' communities in producing and marketing their products;
- Providing training and capacity-building in traditional income-generating activities;
- Promoting and supporting linkages to fair trade networks;
- Facilitating networking, training, exchanges and transfer of knowledge, practices and technologies among indigenous and local communities for accessing markets;
- Establishing rural financial services through the formation of saving and credit groups;
- Creating microenterprises, marketing groups and common property resource groups.
- Increasing indigenous and tribal communities and organizations' capacity for self-development and engagement in policy processes with local governments on indigenous peoples' rights and development with culture, resources and identity.