



NOTIFICATION

Selected experts for the ad hoc technical expert group on the new programme of work and institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities

Dear Madam/Sir,

At its fifteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted [decision 15/10](#) on the development of a new programme of work and institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties also decided to establish an ad hoc technical expert group to further elaborate possible elements, tasks and actors of a new programme of work, and institutional arrangements and their modus operandi. The recommendations of the expert group will be considered by the twelfth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions. The terms of reference of the expert group are contained in annex III of decision 15/10.

Pursuant to this decision, the Executive Secretary, through notification [2023-019](#), invited Parties, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations to submit the name of one or more expert(s) who could be considered to participate in the AHTEG. In response to this invitation, 67 nominations were received: 25 experts were nominated by 20 Parties, 27 experts were nominated by 27 indigenous peoples and local community organizations, and 15 experts were nominated by 12 observer organizations.

The list of selected experts of the AHTEG, including 13 from Parties, 14 from indigenous peoples and local communities, and 6 from relevant organizations, was prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties. This list takes into account all the considerations as described in the above-noted notification 2023-019, including relevant expertise and with due regard to geographical and gender balance.

Thanks to the generous support of the Governments of Brazil and the United Kingdom, the Secretariat is pleased to announce that the AHTEG will take place in Manaus, Brazil, from 11 to 13 July 2023, to be preceded by a field trip to indigenous lands organized by the Government of Brazil from 8 to 10 July 2023. The Secretariat will be contacting the selected experts directly for logistical arrangements.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, TK focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations



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<i>Parties</i>				
Region	No.	Country	Gender	Member
AFRICA	1	Burundi	M	Nzigiyimpa, Leonidas
	2	Ethiopia	M	Balemie, Kebu
	3	Malawi	F	Kamba Chikoti, Ethel
ASIA-PACIFIC	4	China	M	Zhao, Fuwei
	5	Kiribati	F	Teariki-Ruatu, Nenenteiti
	6	India	M	Balaji, Shri
CEE	7	Hungary	M	Zsolt, Molnar
GRULAC	8	Brazil	F	Sala de Pinho, Claudia Regina
	9	Colombia	F	Rodriguez Acero, Maria Carolina
	10	Guatemala	F	Apen Gonzalez, Gloria Marina
WEOG	11	Australia	M	Scott, John
	12	Canada	F	Pozer, Vienna
	13	Sweden	F	Wilhelm, Matilda

<i>Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities</i>				
Region	No.	Organization	Gender	Last Name, First name
AFRICA	14	Enda Santé	M	Sall, Ndiaga
	15	Indigenous Information Network	F	Mulenkei, Lucy
ARCTIC	16	Inuit Circumpolar Council	F	Qutuuq Buschman, Victoria
	17	Saami Council - Norway	M	Holmberg, Aslak
ASIA	18	Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact Foundation	M	Sherpa, Lakpa
	19	Gawis Indigenous Rights Inc	F	Tauli Corpuz, Jennifer
CEE	20	Center for support of indigenous peoples of the North/ Russian Indigenous Training Centre	F	Shulbaeva, Polina
	21	Council of Elders of Ukagirov	M	Shadrin, Vyacheslav
LAC	22	Andes Chinchasyu Organization	F	Teran, Yolanda
	23	Asociación de la Juventud Indígena Argentina	F	Figueroa, Viviana
NORTH AMERICA	24	Assembly of First Nations	M	Cheechoo, John
	25	The Tulalip Tribes of Washington	M	Jones, Aaron
PACIFIC	26	Aotearoa Indigenous Rights Charitable Trust	F	Riddle, Katie
	27	Indigenous Reference Group of the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	M	Lui, Stanley

<i>Observers</i>				
	No.	Organization	Gender	Last Name, First name
	28	Forest Peoples Programme	F	Carino, Joji
	29	Greater Virunga Transboundary Collaboration	M	Ruzigandekwe, Fidele
	30	Global Youth Biodiversity Network	F	Quiguntar, Nohora
	31	International Land Coalition	F	von Braun, Johanna
	32	International Union for Conservation of Nature	F	Gonzalez, Mayte
	33	International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	M	Marino, Mario
