

Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

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Paris Agreement

Paris Agreement acknowledged that “adaptation action should ... be based on and guided by the best available science and, as appropriate, traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems”.

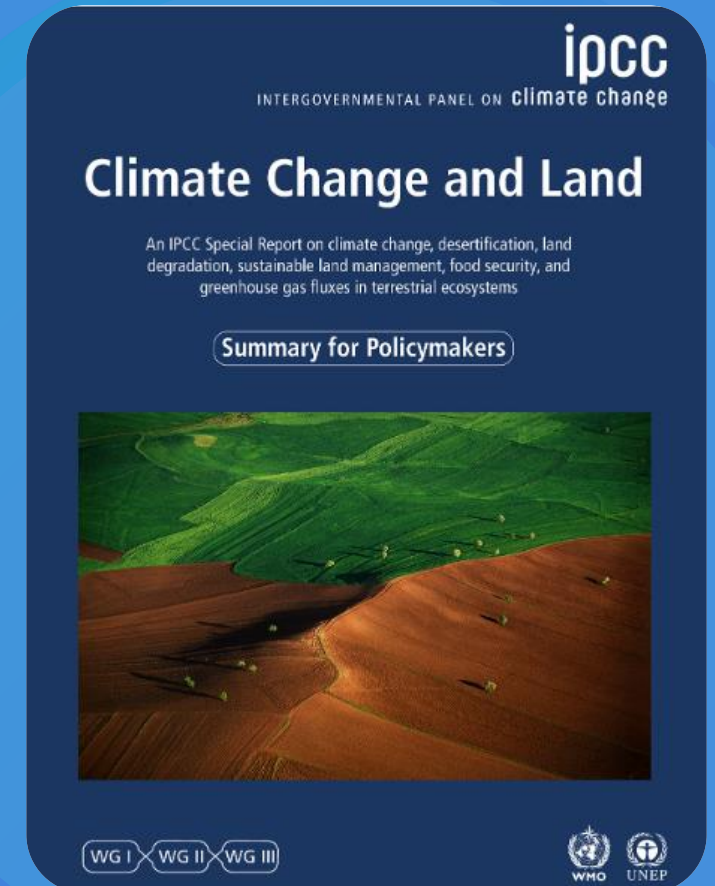
(Paris Agreement, Article 7)

PARIS AGREEMENT

IPCC (2019)

“Agricultural practices that include indigenous and local knowledge can contribute to overcoming the combined challenges of climate change, food security, biodiversity conservation, and combating desertification and land degradation (high confidence)”.

([IPCC SR Land and Climate Change](#), 2019)



WG I WG II WG III



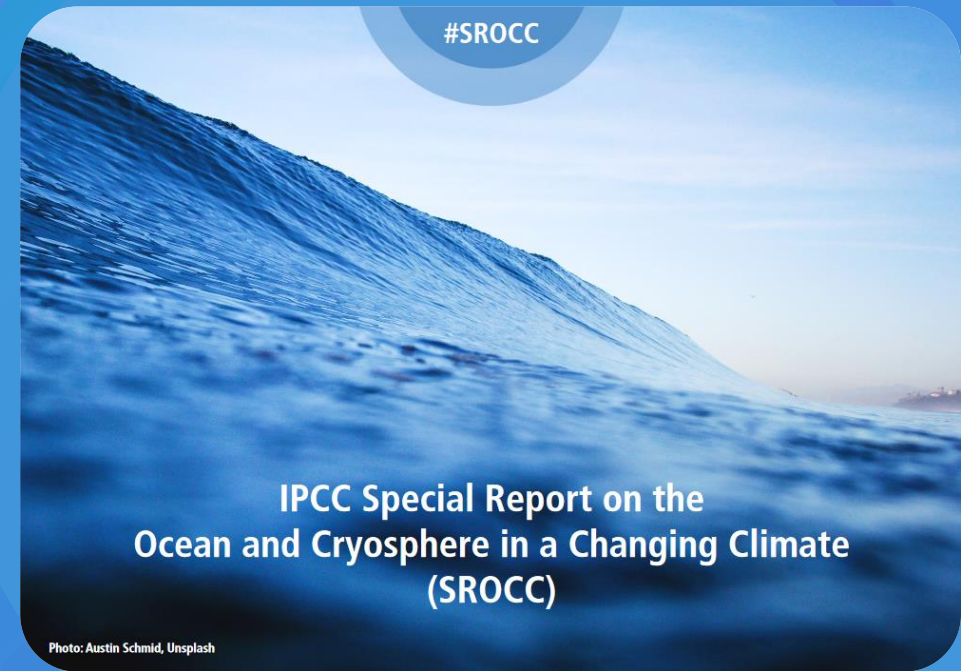
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IPCC (2019)

“Health-related adaptation efforts in the Arctic range from local to international in scale, and successes have been underpinned by Indigenous knowledge (high confidence).”

([IPCC SR Ocean and Cryosphere, 2019](#))



IPBES (2019)

“Nature is generally declining less rapidly in indigenous peoples’ land than in other lands.”

(IPBES Global Assessment on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, 2019)





United Nations

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DECLARATION
on the **RIGHTS**
of **INDIGENOUS**
PEOPLES

MANDATE

Recognizes the need to strengthen knowledge, technologies, practices and efforts of local communities and indigenous peoples related to addressing and responding to climate change, and establishes a platform for the exchange of experiences and sharing of best practices on mitigation and adaptation in a holistic and integrated manner

(Decision 1/CP.21, para135)



PURPOSES

Decides that the overall purposes of the platform will be 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

The platform should promote 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

The platform should facilitate the integration of diverse knowledge systems, practices and innovations 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 should also facilitate the undertaking of stronger and more ambitious climate action by indigenous peoples and local communities that could contribute to the achievement of the nationally determined contributions of the Parties concerned



KNOWLEDGE

The platform should build the capacity of indigenous peoples and local communities to enable their engagement in the UNFCCC process and 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

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

(Decision 2/CP.23, para 8)

Recommends that the processes under the platform, including its operationalization, take into account, inter alia, the interests and views of local communities and indigenous peoples, as well as the following principles proposed by indigenous peoples organizations:

- full and effective participation of indigenous peoples;
- equal status of indigenous peoples and Parties, including in leadership roles;
- self-selection of indigenous peoples representatives in accordance with indigenous peoples' own procedures; and
- adequate funding from the secretariat and voluntary contributions to enable the functions referred to in paragraph 6 above [functions of the Platform].

Facilitative Working Group (FWG)

Affirms that the Facilitative Working Group is established with the objective of further operationalizing the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and facilitating the implementation of its functions

(Decision 2/CP.24, para2)



MEMBERS

(Decision 2/CP.24, para 3)

Decides that the Facilitative Working Group shall comprise 14 representatives, as follows:

- a) One representative of a Party from each of the five United Nations regional groups
- b) One representative of a Party from a small island developing state
- c) One representative of a least developed country Party
- d) Seven representatives from indigenous peoples organizations, one from each of the seven United Nations indigenous sociocultural regions

SOCIO-CULTURAL REGIONS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES



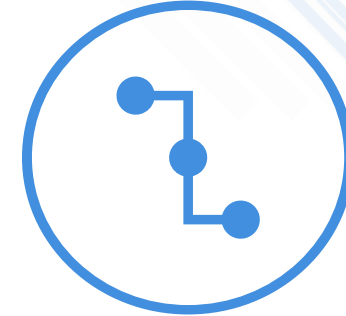
ACTIVITIES



An initial two-year workplan
for the period 2020-2021



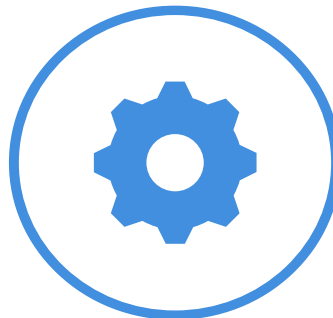
Biannual meetings of the
Facilitative Working Group



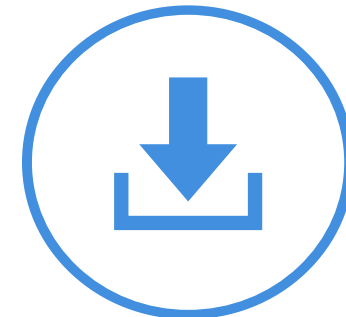
Activities related to the
implementation of all three
functions of the platform



The development of a
dedicated web portal



Thematic in-session
workshop



Submissions on possible activities
related to the implementation of
all three functions of the platform

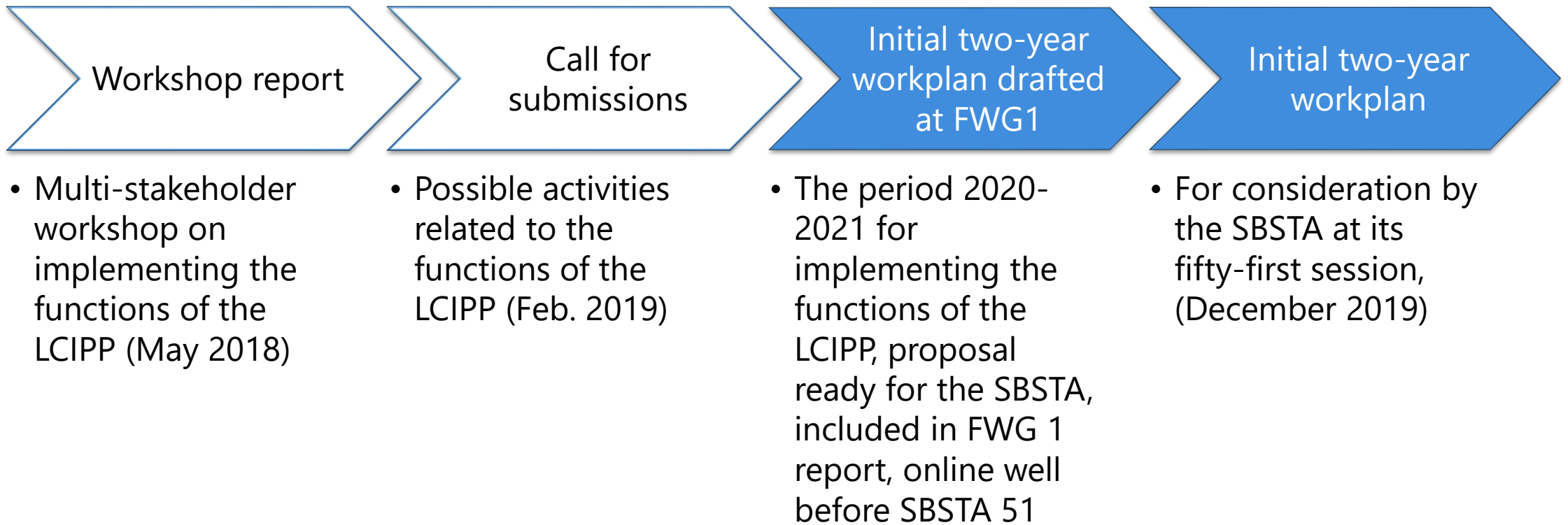
TWO-YEAR WORK PLAN

(Decision 2/CP.24, para 18 & 19)

Decides that the Facilitative Working Group, under the incremental approach, will propose an initial two-year workplan for the period 2020-2021 for implementing the functions of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its fifty-first session (November 2019)

Further decides that the workplan.... should take into account experiences from any activities that have already taken place under the LCIPP, and that the workplan may include annual in-session events in conjunction with the sessions of the Conference of the Parties and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, on which summary reports, which could be of a technical nature, would be prepared by the Facilitative Working Group

TIMELINE FOR THE DRAFTING OF THE TWO-YEAR WORKPLAN



DEDICATED LCIPP WEB PORTAL

“Requests the secretariat, with the support of the Facilitative Working Group, to make the work of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform widely accessible, including through the development of a dedicated web portal on the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform on the UNFCCC website”

(Decision 2/CP.24, para21)

Main outcomes the first FWG meeting

1. Knowledge sharing:

- What type of knowledge would you like to see shared on the portal?

2. Usability:

- To make the portal fit for purpose: what would you/your constituency mainly use the portal for?

3. Accessibility:

- How would your community prefer to access the portal, via mobile phone, tablet or desktop computers? Would offline access to content be important for you?

4. Free, prior and informed consent:

- What good practices and lessons learned can be deployed to ensure the principles of free, prior and informed consent? How can knowledge shared via the portal be safeguarded?

Next steps under the LCIPP

Reports and summaries on the activities that took place in June 2019 to be published

Intersessional work by the sub-committee on the web-portal

Second meeting of the FWG (28-30 November, Santiago de Chile)

SBSTA 51 session, COP 25 (2-13 December, Santiago de Chile)

- LCIPP activities
- SBSTA 51 to consider the draft workplan

**LCIPP activities at
COP 25**

Adaptation Committee, Least Developed Countries Expert Group, and the Facilitative Working Group of Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform will co-organize an event focusing on **integrating local and traditional knowledge and values within climate change adaptation action**

(December 2019)

Potential entry points under the draft initial two-year workplan

1. Annual meetings on traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples, and local knowledge systems on cross-cutting themes related to addressing and responding to climate change
2. Regional workshops on threats and impacts to specific ecosystems from climate change, and on sustaining livelihoods
3. Identifying and disseminating information about the development and use of indigenous peoples' curricula and materials that incorporates indigenous knowledge and language in education systems
4. Mapping existing policies, actions and communications including NDCs, NAPs, and other relevant policies and communications under the UNFCCC with respect to if and/or how they incorporate indigenous peoples and local communities

For further information about
the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

Visit **<https://unfccc.int/LCIPP>**

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Thank you!

