



NOTIFICATION

Selected representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities to receive funding for their participation in the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice

Dear Sir or Madam,

In connection with the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 25), which will be held from 15 to 19 October 2023 in Nairobi, Kenya, I am pleased to inform you that, after due consideration of all applications by the Advisory Selection Committee, and in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, the selection of representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities who will receive support for their participation in the above-mentioned meeting has been completed.

Please find attached the list of selected beneficiaries, for your information. The selected beneficiaries will be contacted directly by the Secretariat with regard to their travel arrangements. Additionally, subject to the availability of extra funds, additional beneficiaries may receive support.

The selection was carried out in accordance with the criteria for the operation of the Voluntary Funding Mechanism to facilitate the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in the work of the Convention as set out in the annex to decision VIII/5 D, and in accordance with the selection criteria established in section B of the same annex.

Please accept, Sir, Madam, 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 community organizations, and other relevant organizations



Annex

Selected representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities to receive funding for their participation in the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice

Africa

1. Mr. Gladman Chibememe
2. Mr. Ndiaga Sall

Asia

3. Mr. Lakpa Nuri Sherpa
4. Mr. Kamal Kumar Rai

Central and South America and the Caribbean¹

5. Ms. Edith Bastidas Calderon
6. Ms. Viviana Figueroa
7. Ms. Ruth Spencer

Central and Eastern Europe, Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia²

8. Ms. Polina Shulbaeva

North America

No applications received

The Arctic

No applications received

The Pacific

No applications received

¹ The numbers of beneficiaries depend on the amount of financial resources available in the Voluntary Fund. It is able to support two representatives from Africa and Asia and three representatives from Central and South America and the Caribbean, in accordance with the criteria of selection (COP decision VIII/5 D Annex), which gives special priority to participants from indigenous peoples and local communities from developing countries and countries with economies in transition and small island developing States but not excluding applicants from indigenous and local communities in developed countries, and taking into account gender balance to recognize the special role of women from indigenous peoples and local communities.

² Only one application was received from this region.