



NOTIFICATION

Selected representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities to receive funding for their participation in the second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources

Dear Sir or Madam,

In connection with the second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources (WGDSI-2), which will be held from 12 to 16 August 2024 in Montreal, Canada, 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.

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.

In the event that additional funds become available for the Voluntary Funding Mechanism in a timely manner, support in accordance with the selection procedure as outlined above may be provided to additional beneficiaries from the pool of applications received.

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

(Signed) David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: CBD national focal points, TK focal points, ABS 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 second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources ¹

Africa

1. Ms. Lucy Mullenkei
2. Mr. Gladman Chibememe

Asia

3. Mr. Kamal Kumar Rai

Central and South America and the Caribbean

4. Ms. Maria Yolanda Teran
5. Mr. Hernando Chindoy Chindoy

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

6. Ms. Polina Shulbaeva

North America

No applications were received

The Arctic

No applications were received

The Pacific³

7. Ms. KatieLee Riddle

¹ The number of beneficiaries depends on the amount of financial resources available in the Voluntary Fund Mechanism. For the present meeting, the Fund is able to support two representatives from Africa, and 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 the Central and Eastern Europe, Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia Region

³ Only one application was received from the Pacific Region.