



Fund for the Development of the Indigenous Peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean (FILAC)

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We reaffirm our solemn commitment to respect, promote and advance and in no way diminish the rights of indigenous peoples and to uphold the principles of the Declaration for to leave no one behind.

We commit ourselves to cooperating with indigenous peoples, through their own representative institutions, to develop and implement national action plans, strategies or other measures, where relevant, to achieve the ends of the Declaration, Sustainable Development Goals and the commitments of this pact.

Chapter I. Sustainable development and financing for development

Emphasize the importance of respecting, recognizing, and promoting indigenous life models as a practical and sustainable approach to safeguarding the planet and preserving the natural resources of Mother Earth. This can play a vital role in mitigating the impacts of climate change and advancing the cause of sustainable development.

We encourage Governments to recognize the significant contribution of indigenous peoples to the promotion of sustainable development, in order to achieve a just balance among the economic, social and environmental needs of present and future generations, and the need to promote harmony with nature to protect our planet and its ecosystems, known as Mother Earth in a number of countries and regions.

Chapter II. International peace and security

Strengthen Indigenous Governance: Enhance recognition and support for indigenous forms of organization and governance over their lands and territories. Indigenous peoples' management of these lands, territories and resources is not only good for the environment and biological diversity but is also important for maintaining international peace and security.

Chapter III. Science, technology and innovation and digital cooperation

We commit ourselves to support of the empowerment and capacity building of Indigenous women and girls, including women's full, equal and meaningful participation in developing policies and programmes and determining resources, where relevant, that target the well-being of Indigenous women and girls, in particular in the areas of innovation and technological change, access to the Internet and digital services, quality education, financial services and the transmission of traditional, scientific and technical knowledge, languages and spiritual and religious traditions and practices, including through digital technologies, as well as productive

Chapter IV. Youth and future generations

Establish an Indigenous Youth Observatory to oversee and assess the outcomes of the Summit of the Future. This observatory should involve the participation of the Indigenous Youth Network of Latin America and the Caribbean and could potentially be integrated into the United Nations Office for Youth.

Ensure full participation of Indigenous youth in decision-making processes, both at the Summit and through designated focal points within United Nations entities. This aligns with commitment 10, which aims to promote partnerships.

Guarantee the application of human rights, including civil rights, education, housing, and health, with a specific emphasis on collective rights. This should ensure that these rights are fulfilled equally for Indigenous Peoples.

Provide capacity-building opportunities for Indigenous Youth on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and commitments outlined in the Summit of the Future. Equipping them with tools to influence progress and compliance is essential.

Guaranteeing the comprehensive participation of Indigenous youth in climate negotiations, not merely as participants but as integral contributors throughout the process. This point is related to [commitment 2: "protect our planet."](#)

Chapter V. Transforming global governance

Advocate for a fundamental shift away from the prevailing state-endorsed development model towards one firmly grounded in the philosophy of Buen Vivir-Vivir Bien-Vida Plena, as embraced and practiced by Indigenous Peoples. This transformative approach promises a more equitable and sustainable future for all.

Recognize the rights and safeguards of Indigenous Peoples over the use, management, and conservation of Mother Earth's natural resources.

Respect and recognize indigenous systems of use, management, and conservation of natural resources following their principles and values, identity and cosmovision, as a principle of equity in the access, distribution, and fair distribution of benefits.

Guarantee the Consultation processes and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the plans and projects that are developed on their lands and territories and that affect them indirectly and directly.

Respect and actively promote Indigenous Peoples' rights to maintain their production and commercialization systems, which are rooted in collective community actions and principles.

Promote the design of public policies that guarantee the rights of Indigenous peoples, women, children, and Indigenous Youth.

Collaborate with Indigenous Peoples to identify, in a participatory manner, effective mechanisms for accessing financial cooperation. This collaboration should focus on protecting ecosystems, biodiversity, and climate change adaptation and mitigation with a territorial approach.

Promote mechanisms that enable Indigenous organizations and networks to access direct sources of cooperation funding. This approach helps avoid intermediaries that may distort needs and aspirations and increase project costs. International cooperation agencies should review their criteria, selection methods, and contracting processes for project execution to facilitate this direct access.