

Partnering with Indigenous Peoples to Ensure Sustainable Use of the World's Biodiversity

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This panel will discuss and highlight the contributions of Indigenous peoples to biodiversity conservation. While these contributions have been acknowledged in many policy statements, there is as yet no significant increase in the support extended to Indigenous communities and organizations by financial institutions (such as the GEF) to sustain the initiatives of Indigenous peoples.

The discussion will focus on how to ensure that Indigenous peoples are not left behind in the allocation of support for the achievement of the goals of the Convention on Biological Diversity. It will challenge the GEF and other similar institutions to build real partnerships with Indigenous peoples.

Panelists:

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- Edna Kaptoyo
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- Gam Shimray
Secretary General, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact
- Minnie Degawan
Indigenous & Traditional Peoples Program Director, Conservation International
- Representative from GEF Secretariat

Moderator: Brian Child, Scientific & Technical Advisory Panel Member