

World Indigenous Peoples Initiative to the United Nations Secretary General Climate Action Summit

Statement

We are more than 400 million Indigenous Peoples in the world, and we protect 80% of the world's biodiversity. We are committed to working with all partners to address climate change with a human rights-based approach.

We commit to:

1. **Leading the implementation of holistic plans to protect our biocultural diversity, ensuring the inclusion of our most marginalized.**
2. **Develop actions to secure our rights to lands, territories and resources, self-determination and free, prior and informed consent (FPIC).**
3. **Access the development of renewable energies in accordance with our self-determination and FPIC.**

These actions will have the following impacts

- Protect more Indigenous lands, resources and territories, contributing to biocultural diversity, carbon sequestration and reduced carbon emissions.
- Protect indigenous peoples' traditional livelihoods, food and water sovereignty and cultural transmission.
- Support resilient Indigenous Peoples.
- Produce effective climate solutions using the knowledge systems of Indigenous Peoples with scientific knowledge.

What we need:

- Full and effective implementation of the United Nations Declaration, participation and contribution of Indigenous Peoples in the formulation and strengthening of Nationally Determined Contributions and in other climate actions.
- Strong global commitment to keep global warming below 1.5°C
- Financial support for the implementation of the Indigenous Peoples' Climate Action Plan.
- Support for independent global, regional and national meetings of indigenous peoples.
- Access to relevant and disaggregated information.