



NOTIFICATION

Selected representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities to receive funding for their participation in the Twenty-eighth Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-28) and Seventh Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-7)

Dear Sir or Madam,

Further to notification [2026-031](#) on the Twenty-eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-28) and the Seventh meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-7), I am pleased to inform you that, after due consideration of all applications received by the Advisory Selection Committee of the Voluntary Funding Mechanism, 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 meetings has been finalized.

Please find attached, for your information, the list of selected beneficiaries. The beneficiaries will be contacted directly by the Secretariat regarding their travel arrangements.

The selection was carried out in accordance with the criteria for the operation of the Voluntary Funding Mechanism, 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) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: CBD national focal points, ABS focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, SBSTTA focal points, TK focal points, indigenous peoples and local community organizations, and relevant organizations

Annex

Representatives from indigenous peoples and local communities selected to receive funding for their participation in the Twenty-eighth Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-28) and Seventh Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-7)¹

Africa

1. Mr. Gladman Chibememe*
2. Ms. Rodah Rotino
3. Mr. Ndiaga Sall

Asia

4. Ms. Anita Buda
5. Ms. Jennifer Corpuz*
6. Mr. Divash Rai

Central and South America and the Caribbean

7. Mr. Ramiro Batzin*
8. Ms. Viviana Figueroa*
9. Ms. Leinny Darianny Rosellia Leal Salazar

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

10. Mr. Aleksey Tsykarev*
11. Ms. Natalia Kolobova

North America

No applications received

The Arctic

12. Mr. Eirik Larsen*

The Pacific

13. Mr. John Locke
14. Ms. Gina Nobrega-Olivera*

* Representatives to be funded for both SBSTTA-28 and SBI-7.

¹ The number of beneficiaries depends on the amount of financial resources available in the Voluntary Fund. For SBSTTA-28 and SBI-7, the Voluntary Fund is able to support three representatives from Africa, Asia, and Central and South America and the Caribbean, in accordance with the selection criteria outlined in 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 in developed countries, and taking into account gender balance to recognize the special role of women from indigenous peoples and local communities.