



## NOTIFICATION

### “Training Manual for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities on the Convention on Biological Diversity”

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to announce that the “Training Manual for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities on the Convention on Biological Diversity” has been published online in English and Spanish. The training manual has been prepared in response to the requests in decisions [X/40](#), [XII/12](#) and [XIII/23](#) of the Conference of the Parties to facilitate capacity development activities for indigenous peoples and local communities. It has been developed in collaboration with the Forest Peoples Programme and with the generous support of the Government of Japan through its Japan Biodiversity Fund.

Based on the training of trainers approach, the training manual is intended to engage trainers, at the local level, in coaching new trainers for delivering and presenting the Convention’s work related to indigenous peoples and local communities. It addresses topics including an introduction to the Convention and its Protocols, key Articles of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities, traditional knowledge and customary sustainable use of biodiversity, the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs), national reports, monitoring biodiversity and traditional knowledge status, and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

This training manual is the first in a three-part series. Module 2 “Training Manual for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities on Customary Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity” and Module 3 “Training Manual for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities on the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization” are scheduled to be released in 2022.

Recognizing that indigenous peoples and local communities are custodians of biodiversity and proponents of cultural diversity, we hope that this manual will help in facilitating their full and effective participation in meetings held under the Convention.

The Training Manual for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities on the Convention on Biological Diversity (Module 1) is available at the following links:

- English: <https://www.cbd.int/traditional/doc/training/cbd-training-manual-01-en.pdf>
- Spanish: <https://www.cbd.int/traditional/doc/training/cbd-training-manual-01-es.pdf>

I encourage you to share this training manual widely among your networks and partners.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD Focal Points, ABS National Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, international organizations, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations

