

This newsletter provides the latest updates from the EnABLE trust fund and related social inclusion work. This issue includes recent highlights from **April through June 2022**, as well as details of upcoming publications and events.



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The United Nations International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples will be celebrated on **August 9th**. A [virtual commemoration event](#) will be held at 9 am EDT. The session will focus on this year's theme, "The Role of Indigenous Women in the Preservation and Transmission of Traditional Knowledge". You can find further resources [here](#).

SPOTLIGHT

- Since the launch of the [Get REDDY](#) outreach program in April 2022, the three pilot episodes have reached an estimated audience of 40 million people across seven FCPF countries and over two dozen national and local radio stations. Development of a further seven episodes is underway. Get REDDY is financed by the FCPF and EnABLE.
- EnABLE was briefly discussed at the annual Bonn UN Climate Change Conference in June by Indigenous Peoples' representatives Onel Masardule (FCPF IPs Observer) and Pablo Mis (EnABLE Technical Advisor).
- Consultations on EnABLE were held with eight African Indigenous Peoples' organizations in Ghana in June, while also validating the fund's newly developed framework for the social inclusion strategy.
- A diagnostic toolkit, *Behavioral Science Approach to Empowering Women in Forest Landscapes*, was [published](#) in June 2022. The study was financed by the FCPF and conducted by the Mind, Behavior, and Development Unit (eMBeD) of the World Bank, which is part of the Poverty and Equity GP. The toolkit was piloted in Nepal and Mozambique. It is currently being used for implementation of the DGM in the Republic of Congo.
- A webinar to present the FCPF-financed [study](#), *Fostering Gender Transformative Change in Sustainable Forest Management: The Case of the Dedicated Grant Mechanism (DGM)*, was held on Monday, June 27th. The event featured a discussion of the study by DGM implementers and social inclusion practitioners, including EnABLE representatives.

UPCOMING PUBLICATIONS, WEBINARS, AND EVENTS

- The next meeting of the EnABLE Steering Committee will take place on September 12-13th, 2022, alongside meetings of the FCPF, BioCarbon Fund ISFL, and CERF in Brussels, Belgium.
- A webinar on *Challenges and Opportunities for Social Inclusion and Gender Equality in Result-Based Climate Finance* is scheduled for October 2022.

EnABLE COUNTRY KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY-BUILDING PROGRAMMING: SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

There are currently 13 countries with ongoing EnABLE knowledge and capacity building (KCB) programming. The [EnABLE webpage](#) features a [dashboard](#) where you can find more information and resources about EnABLE activities and ER programs in each country.

REGION	COUNTRY	STATUS
Eastern and Southern Africa	Côte d'Ivoire	KCB programming initiated
	Democratic Republic of Congo	KCB programming initiated
	Ghana	KCB programming initiated
	Madagascar	KCB programming initiated
	Mozambique	KCB programming initiated
East Asia and Pacific	Indonesia	KCB programming initiated
	Lao People's Democratic Republic	KCB programming initiated
	Vietnam	KCB programming initiated
Latin America and the Caribbean	Chile	KCB programming initiated
	Costa Rica	KCB programming initiated
	Dominican Republic	KCB programming initiated
	Guatemala	KCB programming initiated
South Asia	Nepal	KCB programming initiated

SNAPSHOTS

The following are snapshots of progress provided by the EnABLE task teams in Ghana, Nepal, Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), and other EnABLE partners.

Lessons Learned to Enhance Capacity Building Efforts in Latin America and the Caribbean

The EnABLE task team in LAC assessed capacity building needs for enhancing social inclusion in ERPs by interviewing World Bank teams and stakeholders implementing ERPs in Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, and Guatemala.

Interviews revealed that stakeholders often lack the expertise and technical capacity to meet the requirements of BSPs and gender action plans. It was also found that important components of gender and

social inclusion programs, such as consultations and other participatory processes, are sometimes treated more like "checkbox" activities rather than being internalized into the stakeholder's approach.

These findings underscore the importance of focusing capacity-building efforts on training beneficiaries to better understand and fulfill the requirements of BSPs and gender action plans.

Consultations with EnABLE Constituencies and Partner Organizations in Nepal

In preparation for EnABLE country programming, the EnABLE task team in Nepal conducted a series of consultations between February 22nd and April 8th, 2022, with stakeholders at both local and national levels.

In the capital city of Kathmandu, the team met with both existing and prospective partner organizations which represent EnABLE constituencies at the national level. The result of these meetings was a plan to conduct field visits in the Madhesh and Bagmati provinces, meeting with communities to enhance the participation of EnABLE constituents by raising awareness of emission reductions programs (ERPs).

The field consultations revealed knowledge gaps and misinformation about the ERP and BSP among EnABLE constituents, who reported a desire to improve their understanding in order to enhance their access to sustainable forestry livelihoods. Community members welcomed the idea of receiving information from easy-to-access mediums such as brochures, websites, social media, and local TV and radio stations.

These discussions yielded valuable insights that will inform future communication strategies for EnABLE country programming.

EnABLE Holds Consultations with Pan-African Network of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities



Left: A group photo of workshop attendees. Right: A workshop participant delivering their remarks. Photo credit: MPIDO.

The Mainyito Pastoralist Integrated Development Organization ([MPIDO](#)), an Africa regional implementation partner of the FCPF Capacity Building Program (CBP) and coordinator of a pan-African network for forest-dependent Indigenous Peoples and local communities (IPLCs), hosted a 3-day pan-African regional training workshop on REDD+ Accra, Ghana from June 5-8th, 2022. In attendance were IPs and civil society stakeholders from eight African countries (Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sudan, and Uganda),

as well as national REDD+ focal points and World Bank representatives.

As part of the workshop, Asyl Undeland (EnABLE Fund Manager) conducted consultations with workshop participants on the fund's strategy, main principles, and social inclusion strategy. Workshop participants expressed their enthusiasm for the EnABLE fund, as well as their recommendations for where support for social inclusion is most needed.

For example, they pointed to the lack of information about how recent COP26

commitments and other global pledges to climate finance programs would be allocated and implemented in a way that ensures direct access to these funds by communities. As such, they recommended for the EnABLE fund to coordinate information dissemination on this to the sub-grantees of the CBP.

Another recommendation was for EnABLE to help with addressing new

challenges to social inclusion that are arising with the development of new carbon markets and the recent finalization of the Paris Agreement “rulebook” at COP26. Participants emphasized the need to develop regional networks of civil society agents, provide continued support for capacity building, and for stakeholder engagement to close knowledge gaps on climate financing among IPLCs and CSOs.



Local community members giving musical and dance performances at the closing of the workshop. Photo credit: MPIDO.

Validating the EnABLE Social Inclusion Strategy



Left: World Bank TTL of the EnABLE team in Ghana, Sarah Antwi Boasiako, delivers a presentation about EnABLE. Right: A workshop attendee participates in the plenary discussion. Photo credit: CIFOR.

Jointly with a team from the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), EnABLE facilitated two validation workshops focused on the framework for EnABLE’s social inclusion strategy and action plan on June 7th and 9th, 2022.

The first workshop session was held for World Bank in-country task teams working on FCPF and EnABLE, while the second

session was attended by various stakeholder institutions in Ghana’s REDD+ programming, from the public sector, civil society, and community organizations. After the framework was presented, workshop attendees took part in a group exercise of analyzing Ghana’s Benefit Sharing Plan (BSP) through the lens of the outlined social inclusion strategy. The ensuing plenary

discussions yielded extensive feedback on how the framework could be refined to further help EnABLE implementers design

programs that leverage BSPs to enhance social inclusion outcomes in RBCF programs.



A group photo of workshop participants. Photo credit: CIFOR.

FEATURE STORY

Presenting EnABLE at UN Climate Change Conference

For Pablo Mís, Technical Advisor of the EnABLE fund and Onel Masardule, IPs Observer to FCPF representing Latin America and Caribbean, their central goal as Indigenous Peoples' representatives is to strengthen the representation of Indigenous communities and their interests in all international conferences and negotiations relating to climate change.

At this year's two-week UN Climate Change Conference in Bonn, Germany, Mís and Masardule noted that climate damages – notably how to address the impacts of climate change on the poorest people – were a key discussion point. It is well-established that the countries who contributed most to the climate crisis have a responsibility to compensate those who are now on the frontlines of climate change, who have fewer resources to cope with climate impacts such as increasingly frequent extreme weather events and worsening sea level rise. There was much discussion during the conference of the possible approaches to putting the



Plenary of the 56th session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA). Photo credit: FCPF.

people affected most at the center of action to combat the impacts of climate change.

The annual conference, which was held this year from June 6 to 16th 2022 at the World Convention Center, is a time to make progress on issues and prepare decisions for adoption at the next COP meeting, which will take place in November 2022 in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. The debates over financial support for developing countries, as well as

the need for adaptation and enhanced resilience to climate impacts and other topics central to discussions in Bonn, are sure to be a focus area on the agenda for COP27. Responding to calls from developing countries for financing of adaptation and recovery efforts, the UN Climate Change Executive Secretary, Patricia Espinosa described this funding as “crucial to build a more sustainable and resilient future,” adding that “At COP27, progress needs to be demonstrated clearly and convincingly, along with the alignment of financial flows with the objectives of the Paris Agreement”.

Mís and Masardule contributed to plenary sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), one of two subsidiary bodies under the Conference of the Parties (COP) that provides information and advice on issues relating to science and technology, to support the fulfillment of climate mitigation commitments (specifically: the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol, and the Paris Agreement). They also attended a number of side events run by Indigenous Peoples’ focus groups, including an Indigenous Caucus, an IPs coordination meeting, a meeting of the representatives of the Abya Yala (Guna people of northwest Colombia and southeast Panama), and the seventh meeting of the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP). At the LCIPP meeting, Onel



A panel session including EnABLE representative, Onel Masardule (pictured on far right). Photo credit: FCPF.

Masardule was selected to represent Indigenous Peoples as one of the working group’s new members. Part of Mís and Masardule’s contribution to discussions at the conference was to share information about the mission and priorities of the World Bank’s new Enhancing Access to Benefits while Lowering Emissions (EnABLE) trust fund, which aims to enhance the inclusion of Indigenous Peoples and other marginalized communities (including local communities, women, and young people) in emission reductions programs under the Climate Emissions Reduction Facility (CERF) and maximize their access to resulting carbon and non-carbon benefits. It was decided that further discussions about the EnABLE fund should be held at the next North America and LAC bi-regional workshop on climate change and Indigenous Peoples, set for September



A group photo of workshop participants. Photo credit: CIFOR.

14-15th, 2022 in Gunayala, Panama. They also made plans to organize various IPs' side events to be held at COP 27, and conceptualized research that needs to be conducted into the impact of climate change on Indigenous communities, to support advocacy efforts.

As part of the "Global Stocktake" initiated at Bonn, to assess of the successes and shortcomings in collective progress towards

the Paris Agreement goal of limiting warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius, participants underscored the urgency of scaling up climate actions to avoid the worst impacts of climate change. However, they also reiterated the need to adapt to the impacts of warming that is already locked in and provide support for members of the global community who are most vulnerable to destructive climate impacts.

Related News

The inaugural IUCN Africa Protected Areas Congress was held from July 18-23rd in Kigali, Rwanda. The congress culminated in the formal adoption of the [*Kigali Call to Action for People and Nature*](#), which identifies priority actions for strengthening Africa's protected areas in an equitable manner.

The [Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Climate Week](#) was held from July 18-22nd in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Stakeholders in the region came together to explore resilience against climate risks, the transition to a low-carbon economy, and partnerships to solve pressing challenges. They also highlighted the publication of the *State of Climate in Latin America and Caribbean 2021 report* by the World Meteorological Organization. The next [Regional Climate Week](#) is Africa Climate Week, to be held August 29th-September 2nd in Libreville, Gabon.

[Climate Week New York City](#) will be held this year from September 19th-21st. On the agenda are sessions on social inclusion including one on equity in the green economy and another dealing with crises interconnected by climate change.

Acronyms Used

BSP	Benefit Sharing Program	IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
CBP	Capacity Building Program	KCB	Knowledge and Capacity Building
CERF	Climate Emissions Reduction Facility	LAC	Latin America and the Caribbean
CIFOR	Center for International Forestry Research	LCIPP	Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform
COP	Conference of the Parties	MPIDO	Mainyoto Pastoralist Integrated Development Organization
CSO	Civil Society Organization	RBCF	Result-Based Climate Finance
DGM	Dedicated Grant Mechanism	REDD+	Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation, fostering conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks.
EmBeD	Mind, Behavior, and Development Unit of the World Bank	SBSTA	Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
EnABLE	Enhancing Access to Benefits while Lowering Emissions	TTL	Task Team Leader
FY	Fiscal Year	UN	United Nations
GP	Global Practice		
ISFL	Initiative for Sustainable Forest Landscapes		
IPLC	Indigenous People and Local Communities		
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