

## **Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore**

**Thirty-First Session**  
**Geneva, September 19 to 23, 2016**

### **WIPO VOLUNTARY FUND FOR ACCREDITED INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES: INFORMATION NOTE ON CONTRIBUTIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPORT**

*Document prepared by the Secretariat*

1. This document contains information required to be reported to the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (“the Committee”) on the operation of the Voluntary Fund for Accredited Indigenous and Local Communities (“the Fund”). The rules are set out in the Annex to document WO/GA/32/6, which was approved by the WIPO General Assembly at its 32<sup>nd</sup> session in September 2005 and subsequently amended by the General Assembly at its 39<sup>th</sup> session in September 2010.

2. Article 6(f) of the rules states:

“(f) Before each Committee session, the WIPO Director General will communicate for the information of participants an information note setting out:

- (i) the level of the voluntary contributions paid into the Fund on the date on which the document was drafted;
- (ii) the identity of the contributors (unless individual contributors have expressly requested to remain anonymous);
- (iii) the amount of the resources available taking into account the funds disbursed;
- (iv) the list of people who have benefited from the Fund’s support since the previous information memorandum;

- (v) the people chosen to benefit from the Fund but who withdrew;
- (vi) the amount of the support allocated to each beneficiary; and
- (vii) a sufficiently detailed description of the applicants seeking support for the following session.

This document will also be addressed by name to the members of the Advisory Board for examination and deliberation.”

3. The present document constitutes the twenty-second such information note, as required by the decision of the WIPO General Assembly. The information required to be communicated to participants in the Thirty-First Session of the Committee is as follows:

Level of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until July 22, 2016 and names of the contributors:

86,092.60 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 500,000 Swedish crowns at the date) credited on November 7, 2006, by the Swedish International Biodiversity Programme (SwedBio/CBM);

31,684 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 20,000 Euros at the date) credited on December 20, 2006, by the Government of France;

29,992.50 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 25,000 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on March 27, 2007, by the Christensen Fund;

150,000 Swiss francs credited on June 8, 2007, by the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne, Switzerland;

5,965.27 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 5,000 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on August 14, 2007, by the Ministry of Science and Technology, South Africa;

98,255.16 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 60,000 Euros at the date) credited on December 20, 2007, by the Government of Norway;

100,000 Swiss francs credited on February 7, 2008, by the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne, Switzerland;

12,500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 13, 441 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on March 25, 2011, by the Ministry of Science and Technology, South Africa;

500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 573 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on May 10, 2011, by an anonymous contributor;

89,500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 100,000 Australian dollars at the date) credited on October 20, 2011, by the Government of Australia;

15,000 Swiss francs credited on June 20, 2013 by the Government of Australia<sup>1</sup>; and

4,694.40 Swiss francs credited on June 20, 2013 by the Government of New Zealand.

Total amount of the voluntary contributions credited to the Fund until April 14, 2016:  
623,401.71 Swiss francs.

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<sup>1</sup> 782.22 Swiss francs were reimbursed on September 2, 2013 in accordance with the agreed terms for the use of the contribution made by the Government of Australia.

Amount of the resources available:

- Amount available in the Fund on July 20, 2016, including bank fees and interest: 643.20 Swiss francs.
- Amount committed on July 20, 2016: *nihil*.
- Amount available in the Fund minus committed amount on July 20, 2016: 643.20 Swiss francs.

List of persons who benefited or were recommended for funding since the previous information note<sup>2</sup>:

Applicants who were recommended for funding in view of the Thirtieth Session of the Committee<sup>3</sup>, but for whom there were no sufficient means available in the Fund on May 9, 2016 (in order of priority)

Mrs. Edith Magnolia BASTIDAS CALDERÓN  
Nationality: Colombia  
Mailing address: Nariño, Colombia  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara (CEM Amayra)*  
Seat of the accredited observer: La Paz, Bolivia

Mr. Stephen RWAGWERI  
Nationality: Uganda  
Mailing address: Fort Portal, Uganda  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Engabu Za Tooro (Tooro Youth Platform for Action)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Fort Portal, Uganda

Mr. Siddhartha Priya ASHOK  
Nationality: India  
Mailing address: Mumbai, India  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
National Educational Social and Traditional Knowledge (NEST) Foundation  
Seat of the accredited observer: Sivasagar (Assam), India

Mrs. Kathy HODGSON-SMITH  
Nationality: Canada  
Mailing address: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Métis National Council  
Seat of the accredited observer: Ottawa, Canada

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<sup>2</sup> See document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/30/INF/4 dated April 19, 2016.

<sup>3</sup> See the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/29/INF/6 dated February 18, 2016.

Applicants who were recommended for funding in view of the Thirty-First Session of the Committee<sup>4</sup>, but for whom there were no sufficient means available in the Fund on July 20, 2016 (in order of priority):

Mrs. Jennifer TAULI CORPUZ  
Nationality: Philippines  
Mailing address: Quezon City, Philippines  
Name of the accredited observer: Tebtebba Foundation – Indigenous Peoples’ International Centre for Policy Research and Education  
Seat of the accredited observer: Baguio City, Philippines

Mr. Q’apaj CONDE CHOQUE  
Nationality: Bolivia  
Mailing address: La Paz, Bolivia  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara (CEM-Aymara)/Center for Multidisciplinary Studies Aymara (CEM-Aymara)*  
Seat of the accredited observer: La Paz, Bolivia

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ  
Nationality: Panama  
Mailing address: Wellington, New Zealand  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
International Indian Treaty Council  
Seat of the accredited observer: Panama City, Panama

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR  
Nationality: Nigeria  
Mailing address: Maiduguri (Borno), Nigeria  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: *Kanuri Development Association*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Maiduguri (Borno), Nigeria

Disbursed for any participation in the Thirtieth Session of the Committee:

No disbursement made.

Committed or disbursed in view of the Thirty-First Session of the Committee

No commitment; no disbursement made.

List of the applicants seeking support for the next Session of the Committee (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Isa ADAMU  
Nationality: Cameroon  
Mailing address: Yaoundé  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: SAMUSA  
Seat of the accredited observer: Yaoundé, Cameroon

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<sup>4</sup> See the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/30/INF/6 dated June 3, 2016.

Mr. Hamadi AG MOHAMED ABBA  
Nationality: Mali  
Mailing address: Timbuktu, Mali  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: ADJMOR  
Seat of the accredited observer: Timbuktu, Mali

Mr. Tomás ALARCÓN EYZAGUIRRE  
Nationality: Peru  
Mailing address: Tacna, Peru  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos (CAPAJ)*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Tacna, Peru

Mr. Dmitry BEREZHKOV  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Tromsø, Norway  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Centre for the Support of Indigenous Peoples of the North/Russian Indigenous Training Centre  
(CSIPN/RITC)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Moscow, Russian Federation

Mr. Samuel CAUPER PINEDO  
Nationality: Peru  
Mailing address: Iparía, Peru  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Asociación Centro Indígena para el Desarrollo Sostenible (CINDES)/Indigenous Centre for  
Sustainable Development Association*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Pucallpa, Peru

Mr. Rodrigo DE LA CRUZ INLAGO  
Nationality: Ecuador  
Mailing address: Quito, Ecuador  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Call of the Earth Llamado de la Tierra*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Cusco, Peru

Mr. Nelson DE LEÓN KANTULE  
Nationality: Panama  
Mailing address: Panama City, Panama  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Asociación Kunas Unidos por Napguana/Association of Kunas United for Mother Earth (KUNA)*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Corregimiento San Felipe, Panama

Mr. Almoctar MAHAMADOU  
Nationality: Niger  
Mailing address: Agadez, Niger  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Rassemblements des Africains Conscients, Intègres, Nationalistes, Engagés, Solidaires  
(RACINES)*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Agadez, Niger

Mrs. Cecilia Eneck NDIFON

Nationality: Cameroon

Mailing address: Ekmen-Batibo, Cameroon

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Association of the Reconstruction and Development of the Moko-oh People (AFTRADEMOP)

Seat of the accredited observer: Ekmen-Batibo, Cameroon

Mr. Kamal Kumar RAI

Nationality: Nepal

Mailing address: Kathmandu, Nepal

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Himalayan Folklore and Biodiversity Study Program, IPs Society for Wetland Biodiversity Conservation Nepal

Seat of the accredited observer: Kathmandu, Nepal

Mrs. Nongpoklai SINHA

Nationality: Bangladesh

Mailing address: Sylhet, Bangladesh

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Ethnic Community Development Organization (ECDO)

Seat of the accredited observer: Sylhet, Bangladesh

Mr. Mikhail TODYSHEV

Nationality: Russian Federation

Mailing address: Moscow, Russian Federation

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Elders Council of the Shor People

Seat of the accredited observer: Tashtagol, Russian Federation

4. *The Committee is invited to take note of the content of this document.*

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