

Open dialogue by presidency. First session intervention

- Our indigenous peoples' knowledge is at least equal in value to western science, and it is crucial that our traditional knowledge be part of the input into the upcoming facilitative dialog, including in the development of NDCs. Indigenous Peoples have unparalleled, context specific knowledge that will fill in gaps and provide holistic views that incorporate spiritual and cultural values essential to an adequate solution to the crisis.
- **The NDCs and guidelines must be rights based approached to** include commitments to recognize, respect, and promote Indigenous Peoples' rights as well as modalities for reporting and assessment on national progress to ensure land tenure and concrete measures to control false solutions and mega drivers. NDC and Paris Agreement can no longer be the driving force of violating IPs rights and drive us from our lands as mega hydropower dams and windmill parks are currently doing
- Finally, Indigenous peoples have contributed much to climate solutions, especially if governments and corporations respect our rights to lands, territories and resources; which we had sustained for generations through our knowledge, systems and innovations to adapt and mitigate the climate change impacts; to build climate resilience. With your respect and support, our collective contributions will further enhance sustainable livelihoods, environment and achieve sustainable development goals and poverty alleviation and can be used to enhance the Facilitative Dialogue 2018.