Forest Peoples Programme

Statement for UNPFII Recommendations on Indigenous Navigator:

Monitoring and Reporting on Progress Towards Implementation of UNDRIP, WCIP
Outcome Document and 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda

Agenda Item 9:

Ms Chairperson,

In the WCIP Outcome Document States have committed to " ... working with indigenous peoples to disaggregate data, as appropriate, or conduct surveys and to utilizing holistic indicators of indigenous peoples' well-being to address the situation and needs of indigenous peoples and individuals ..."

We also recall the various recommendations made by the UNPFII regarding the need for developing a common framework for monitoring the situation and well-being of indigenous peoples and the implementation of the Declaration, including the identification of indigenous-appropriate indicators, possible data sources, and linkages to relevant mechanisms.

This aspiration has been carried forward by a consortium of indigenous peoples organizations and human rights institutions / organizations, in partnership with the ILO, and resulted in the development of a monitoring framework and a set of tools, known as the Indigenous Navigator.

The Indigenous Navigator is a community-based monitoring framework for monitoring indigenous peoples' rights and development. It is an enabling open source tool, available online, that can be used by indigenous peoples world-wide, to gather data on the status of recognition and realization of their rights. This initiative has been piloted for 2 years in 6 (?) countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America, and further developed based on the lessons learned, recommendations of indigenous communities and the incorporation of the WCIP Outcome Document and the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.

The Indigenous Navigator tools and resources include questionnaires for monitoring the implementation of all articles and provisions of the UNDRIP will be available online as open source tools, available to indigenous communities.

The tools are consistent with the OHCHR human rights monitoring framework and provide a basis for monitoring and reporting on progress in the implementation of State commitments on the rights of Indigenous Peoples.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. We recommend that the Forum welcomes the progress made in the development of community-based tools known as the Indigenous Navigator, to monitor the implementation of the UNDRIP, the WCIP Outcome Document and 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.
- 2. We also recommend that the Forum lends its continued support to the initiative by endorsing the Indigenous Navigator and encourage collaboration, partnerships and contributions from States, UN agencies, Indigenous Peoples, National Human Rights Institutions, and civil society organizations to use the Indigenous Navigator framework and tools in order to strengthen community-based monitoring of global commitments made under UNDRIP, WCIP and the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development Goals.

We are pleased to inform you that today the Indigenous Navigator will be presented at a side event taking place in Conference Room 4 at 3 to 4:30 pm. You are all most welcome to join us.

Annex:

Recommendations of the UNPFII made at its 9th, 10th, 12th, 14th and 15th Sessions (See Annex), inter-alia, to:

- work on the development of a common framework for monitoring the situation and well-being of indigenous peoples and the implementation of the Declaration through appropriate indicators (10th session)
- ensure the participation of indigeneous peoples' and indigenous women in data collection.
- formulate of an indigenous peoples' development index, based on the human rights

affirmed in the United Nations Declaration and international human rights instruments

• that Member States actively engage with their indigenous peoples in both developed countries and developing countries, in developing key indicators on indigenous peoples, and incorporate these in the national indicators for the 2030 Development Agenda

ANNEX – UNPFII RECOMMENDATIONS at its 9th, 10th, 12th, 14th and 15th Sessions

10th Session -The Permanent Forum recommends the IASG, in particular OHCHR, ILO and SPFII, to work on the development of a common framework for monitoring the situation and well-being of indigenous peoples and the implementation of the Declaration through appropriate indicators. The process should taken forward through collaboration among interested institutions and full consultation and participation of indigenous peoples.

9th Session: The Forum recommends that efforts to develop the indicators of sustainability and well-being of indigenous peoples should be continued and supported by States, the United Nations system and intergovernmental bodies.

9th Session: The Forum recommends that States disaggregate data by sex adn ethnicity, and ensure the participation of indigneous peoples' and indigenous women in data collection.

12th Session - The Forum recommends that the Statistical Commission and the United Nations Statistics Division use the System of Environmental-Economic Accounts for monitoring the situation and well-being of indigenous peoples and the implementation of the UNDRIP.

14th Session: The Permanent Forum intends to make the formulation of an indigenous peoples' development index, based on the human rights affirmed in the United Nations Declaration and international human rights instruments, a recurring part of its agenda. The Forum recommends that the United Nations Development Programme, especially its Human Development Report Office, and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights assist the Forum in developing such an index, building on existing initiatives by indigenous peoples and United Nations agencies, and report thereon to the Forum at its

fifteenth session.

The Indigenous Navigator is a tool in support of UNPFII, OHCHR, and the IASG ... to formulate and develop this Index

15th Session - The Permanent Forum recommends that Member States actively engage with their indigenous peoples in both developed countries and developing countries, including indigenous women, indigenous youth and indigenous persons with disabilities, in developing key indicators on indigenous peoples, including for data disaggregation, to be included in the overall indicators for the post-2015 development agenda to be adopted in March 2016.

15th Session: On the basis of the constructive dialogue between the Permanent Forum and the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Peoples' Issues, the Forum recommends that the members of the Support Group demonstrate strong commitment from the highest level, including by: (a) Institutionalizing dialogue between the expert members of the Forum and the principals of the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system; (b) Allocating sufficient resources to implement the system-wide action plan for ensuring a coherent approach to achieving the ends of the United Nations Declaration; (c) Establishing institutional consultation mechanisms to ensure active collaboration and partnership with indigenous peoples at the national, regional and global levels, in both developing and developed countries; (d) Incorporating specific targets and indicators with disaggregated data to address the key issues and priorities of indigenous peoples at the national level; (e) Ensuring active cooperation between the Support Group and Forum members holding relevant agency portfolios.

10th Session: The Permanent Forum welcomes the report of the technical expert group meeting on indicators, mechanisms and data for assessing the implementation of indigenous peoples' rights, held in Geneva in September 2010 by the International Labour Organization (ILO), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the secretariat of the Permanent Forum. The report sets out important principles and guidance for further work. The Permanent Forum recommends that the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Peoples' Issues and, in particular, ILO, OHCHR and the secretariat of the Permanent Forum continue their work to develop a common framework for monitoring the situation and well-being of indigenous peoples and the implementation of the Declaration, including the identification of indigenous-appropriate

indicators, possible data sources and linkages to relevant mechanisms. The process should be taken forward in a collaborative manner with other interested institutions, ensuring full consultation and participation of indigenous peoples.

15th Session: Consistent with articles 18 and 19 of the United Nations Declaration and in line with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with the call to "leave no one behind", the Permanent Forum strongly recommend that States and funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system ensure the disaggregation of data on the basis of indigenous identifiers/ethnicity and the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples in developing and monitoring national action plans and in all processes relating to the follow-up to and review of the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, including at the high-level political forum on sustainable development.

14th Session: The Permanent Forum recommends that the efforts undertaken to develop the indicators of sustainability and well-being of indigenous peoples should be continued and supported by States, the United Nations system and intergovernmental bodies. This will lead to the establishment of headline indicators to measure and represent the goals and aspirations of indigenous peoples. These initiatives should lead to the creation of an indigenous peoples development index, which the Human Development Report Office of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) would adopt as a project to be included in future issues of the Human Development Report.