



A global initiative to create long-term solutions with and for Indigenous Peoples

IPARD
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ALLIANCE
FOR RIGHTS & DEVELOPMENT

The **Indigenous Peoples Alliance for Rights and Development (IPARD)** aims to enable Indigenous Peoples globally to strengthen their capacities, so they can manage and develop their communities based on their priorities, traditional knowledge, natural resource management, and respect for their rights. **IPARD** is committed to support and work with Indigenous Peoples in a collaborative spirit, based on national and international laws.

IPARD envisions that if Indigenous Peoples develop their technical, organizational and managerial capacities in a consistent way over the long-term, that will strengthen their abilities to better engage and collaborate with national governments and the private sector to achieve mutual benefits. **IPARD's** vision will be achieved through three systematic and interlinked objectives:

1. Organize and convene a Capacity Development Program for Indigenous Peoples' organizations and other stakeholders, such as government entities and the private sector;
2. Foster an enabling and authorizing environment for Indigenous Peoples' effective participation and joint decision-making in matters affecting them;
3. Promote business opportunities and partnerships for Indigenous Peoples sustainable development based on innovative economic models.

A global partnership for Indigenous Peoples' rights and sustainable development

IPARD is a public-private global Program implemented by the **FSC Indigenous Foundation (FSC-IF)**, a global organization governed, led and managed by Indigenous Peoples that seeks to deliver long-term and resilient solutions for Indigenous Peoples worldwide. The partnership was created and is currently funded by the United States Agency for International Development (**USAID**) and the Forest Stewardship Council (**FSC**). **IPARD** seeks to build a global partnership with organizations interested in working together for Indigenous Peoples in any country in Latin America, Africa, and Asia, including government entities, the private sector, NGOs, universities, UN agencies, multilateral and bilateral agencies, and the donor community.

What makes IPARD unique?

IPARD and partners focus on three structural needs: capacity development, the enabling environment, and economic development, in an integrated way with a country-by-country approach and based on the long-term vision of Indigenous Peoples themselves and their national governments. Additionally, **IPARD** is led, managed and implemented by Indigenous Peoples' organizations and networks in partnership with their national governments and civil societies. This will ensure the achievement of long-term impacts on the ground for Indigenous communities worldwide.



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