Side event

Avenues for early warning and complaint for indigenous peoples and local communities for REDD+

Organizer: Rainforest Foundation Norway Wednesday 6th October, 19:45-21:15 Room: Harbin

Food and drinks will be provided

One of the key challenges in REDD+ and any other policy or program on forests and climate change is ensuring its social and environmental integrity. What avenues are open for indigenous peoples and forest dependent groups to ensure that rights and livelihoods are not threatened by REDD+? What options exist to ensure safeguards? Are present national and international institutions sufficient, or is there a need for additional complaint and recourse mechanisms for REDD+? If so, where could these be located? The presentations will present food for thought and discussion.

Speakers

Thomas Paka, Eco Forestry Forum: The need for avenues for redress and complaint for indigenous peoples and local communities under REDD+. The case of Papua New Guinea

Davyth Stewart, Global Witness: The need for transparency in the forest sector supported by independent monitoring, reporting and verification of REDD implementation and safeguards

Steve Porter, CIEL: Do existing avenues for complaint provide effective protection for those whose rights may be undermined by REDD?

Charles McNeill, UN REDD Programme: Update on efforts to understand and implement Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) and to establish recourse mechanisms for REDD+

Moderator: Vicky Tauli-Corpuz, Tebtebba