

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

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

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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 Thirty-Second Session in September 2005 and subsequently amended by the General Assembly at its Thirty-Ninth 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-sixth such information note, as required by the decision of the WIPO General Assembly. The information required to be communicated to the participants in the Thirty-Fifth Session of the Committee is as follows:

Level of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until January 26, 2018 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>;

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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.

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

37,835 Swiss francs credited on February 28, 2017 by the Government of Australia;

Total amount of the voluntary contributions credited to the Fund until January 26, 2018:  
661,236.71 Swiss francs.

Amount of the resources available:

- Amount available in the Fund on January 26, 2018, including bank fees and interest:  
22,896.30 Swiss francs.
- Amount committed on January 26, 2018: 15,130 Swiss francs
- Amount available in the Fund minus committed amount on January 26, 2018:  
7,766.30 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<sup>3</sup> and funded in view of the Thirty-Fourth Session of the Committee:

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. 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

Mrs. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT SALES

Nationality: Brazil

Mailing address: Ronda Alta (RS), Brazil

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Instituto Indígena Brasileiro da Propriedade Intelectual (INBRAPI)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Ronda Alta (RS), Brazil

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

<sup>2</sup> See document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/34/INF/4 dated May 15, 2017

<sup>3</sup> See the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/33/INF/6 dated March 3, 2017.

Mrs. Polina SHULBAEVA  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Tomsk City, Russian Federation  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Centre for Support of Indigenous Peoples of the North/Russian Indigenous Training  
Centre (CSIPN/RITC)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Moscow, Russian Federation

Applicants who were recommended for funding in view of the Thirty-Fifth Session of the Committee<sup>4</sup> (in alphabetical order):

Mrs. Ali Ali SHATU  
Nationality: Cameroon  
Mailing address: Bamenda, Cameroon  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Mbororo Social Cultural Development Association (MBOSCUDA)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Bamenda, Cameroon

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. 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

Mrs. Polina SHULBAEVA  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Tomsk City, Russian Federation  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Centre for Support of Indigenous Peoples of the North/Russian Indigenous Training  
Centre (CSIPN/RITC)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Moscow, Russian Federation

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

Disbursed for their participation in the Thirty-Fourth Session of the Committee:

Mr. Hamadi AG MOHAMED ABBA: 2,883.10 Swiss francs

Mr. Q'apaj CONDE CHOQUE: 3,139.85 Swiss francs

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<sup>4</sup> See the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/34/INF/6 dated June 15, 2017.

Mrs. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT SALES: 4,195.25 Swiss francs

Mr. Kamal Kumar RAI: 2,867.35 Swiss francs

Mrs. Polina SHULBAEVA: 2,476.35 Swiss francs

Committed in view of their participation in the Thirty-Fifth Session of the Committee:

Mrs. Ali Ali SHATU: 2,950 Swiss francs

Mr. Nelson DE LEÓN KANTULE: 3,600 Swiss francs

Mr. Stephen RWAGWERI: 2,850 Swiss francs

Mrs. Polina SHULBAEVA: 2,580 Swiss francs

Mrs. Jennifer TAULI CORPUZ: 3,150 Swiss francs

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

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. Agoussou Marcellin AIGBE

Nationality: Benin

Mailing address: Cotonou, Benin

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Jeunesse Sans Frontières Bénin*

Seat of the accredited observer: Cotonou, Bénin

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

Mr. Mohammed Ali AZIZ AL NAEB

Nationality: Yemen

Mailing address: Sana'a, Yemen

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Al-Zain* Organization for Intellectual Property (ZIPO)

Seat of the accredited observer: Sana'a, Yemen

Mr. Alpha Amadou BAH

Nationality: Guinea

Mailing address: Conakry, Guinea

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Association Guinéo-Maghrebine pour la promotion économique et culturelle (AGUIMAG)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Conakry, Guinea

Mr. Louis BAHAKOULA MABIDI

Nationality: Congo

Mailing address: Brazzaville, Congo

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Action Jeunesse pour le Développement (AJED – Congo)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Brazzaville, Congo

Mr. Jamal BENABBI

Nationality: Morocco

Mailing address: Ait Melloul, Morocco

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Association Tamaynut (Amazigh People)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Inezgane, Morocco

Mrs. Edna Maria DA COSTA E SILVA

Nationality: Brazil

Mailing address: Belém, Brazil

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Cooperativa Ecológica de las mujeres colectoras de la isla de Maraió (CEMEM)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Marajó, Brazil

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

Mrs. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT SALES

Nationality: Brazil

Mailing address: Ronda Alta (RS), Brazil

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Instituto Indígena Brasileiro da Propriedade Intelectual (INBRAPI)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Ronda Alta (RS), Brazil

Mr. Thimoty IRKA OLE LARPEI

Nationality: Kenya

Mailing address: Nanyuki, Kenya

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Indigenous Movement for Peace Advancement and Conflict Transformation (IMPACT)

Seat of the accredited observer: Nanyuki, Kenya

Mr. Gilbert KALUBI LUFUNGULA

Nationality: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Mailing address: Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Foundation for Solidarity and Social Welfare Projects/*Fondation des Oeuvres pour la Solidarité*

*et le Bien-Être Social (FOSBES)*

Seat of the accredited observer: Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo

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

Mr. Tcharbuahbokengo NFINN

Nationality: Cameroon

Mailing address: Kumba Meme, Cameroon

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Federation of Environmental and Ecological Diversity for Agricultural Revampment and Human Rights (FEEDAR & HR)

Seat of the accredited observer: Kumba Meme, Cameroon

Mr. John Kolol OLE TINGOI

Nationality: Kenya

Mailing address: Nanyuki, Kenya

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

Maasai Cultural Heritage Foundation

Seat of the accredited observer: Nanyuki, Kenya

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

Mr. Vincent Phemelo RAPOO

Nationality: Botswana

Mailing address: Mochudi, Botswana

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Phuthadikobo Museum

Seat of the accredited observer: Mochudi, Botswana

Mr. Ali Naji SHAMS ADDIN

Nationality: Yemen

Mailing address: Sana'a, Yemen

Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:

*Al-Zain* Organization for Intellectual Property (ZIPO)

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Name of the accredited observer: Tebtebba Foundation – Indigenous Peoples' International  
Centre for Policy Research and Education

Seat of the accredited observer: Baguio City, Philippines

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

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