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Paragraph #71 Session #21 (2022)

Full Text

The Permanent Forum encourages the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) to continue its efforts in operationalizing the principle of free, prior and informed consent in its investments, including through the engagement of indigenous experts in project delivery teams.

Comments

With reference to Recommendation n.71 addressed to IFAD during its twenty-first session to “continue its efforts in operationalizing the principle of free, prior and informed consent in its investments, including through the engagement of indigenous experts in project delivery teams”, the following activities have been implemented:

Following the recommendations of Indigenous Peoples’ representatives at previous global meetings of the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum at IFAD (IPFI), IFAD is operationalizing the principle of free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) in its projects, particularly through the involvement of indigenous consultants in project design, to ensure that FPIC is implemented and that indigenous visions, aspirations and knowledge are included in IFAD projects cofunded with climate funds. So far, nine projects have been identified: in Latin America and the Caribbean (3); in East and Southern Africa (4); and in Asia and the Pacific (2). In 2022, indigenous experts were involved in the design of projects in Ethiopia, Kenya, Mexico and Viet Nam.

Area of Work

Economic and Social Development, Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)