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Building Climate Resilience from Indigenous Perspectives Project



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MANDATE

The Building Climate Resilience from Indigenous Perspectives (**BCRIP**) Project is an opportunity to deliver on BCAFN's mandate to pursue international advocacy opportunities on climate change, Indigenous rights, and sovereignty and build relationships for joint action and advocacy with Indigenous Peoples abroad (**Resolution 05/2021**).

BACKGROUND



Indigenous Peoples have an intrinsic relationship and interconnectedness with Mother Nature and possess ancestral knowledge systems, science, and technologies.

Nature-Based Solutions from an Indigenous perspective refer to Indigenous-led approaches to climate solutions grounded in traditional ecological knowledge, principles, practices, and sciences, as well as the right to self-determination, authority and jurisdiction.

Cultural, spiritual, linguistic, and legal principles and practices related to harmonious ways of coexisting with Mother Nature are vital for climate adaptation, resilience and collective continuance for Indigenous Peoples.

FUNDING CALL

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PARTNERING FOR CLIMATE

- [Indigenous Peoples Partnering for Climate](#) is part of Canada's international climate finance commitment (2021 – 2026).
- This Global Affairs Canada funding call is the first of its kind in Canada and acknowledges that Indigenous leadership and knowledge are essential to addressing climate change.
- The call recognizes the importance of fostering partnerships and building relationships for climate adaptation between Indigenous Peoples in Canada and Indigenous Peoples in developing countries.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The BCRIP Project is a four-year (2024 – 2028) Indigenous-led project funded by Global Affairs Canada. The Project focuses on several cross-cutting themes, such as Indigenous self-determination, rights, knowledge systems/science and gender equity. The Project aims to:

Build climate resilience and support Indigenous-led climate action through joint advocacy, strengthened governance, relationship building and knowledge-sharing between Indigenous Peoples in Canada and Indigenous Peoples in Peru, Bolivia, Colombia and Guatemala.

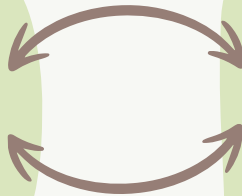
Provide funding and support for self-determined Nature-Based Solutions partnership projects. The projects will be collaboratively designed by Indigenous partners in Canada and Latin America (Peru, Bolivia, Colombia and Guatemala), but implemented in Latin America.

The project is led by a diverse team, including the British Columbia Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN), the Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA SUR) through the National Organization of Andean and Amazonian Indigenous Women in Peru (ONAMIAP), with the support of Save the Children Canada (National Reconciliation Program) and Save the Children Latin America and Caribbean.

GOVERNANCE

Two main governance bodies will steer and guide the BCRIP project, including:

The Indigenous Steering Group (ISG): Responsible for overall governance, including compliance, administration, and oversight functions.



The Indigenous Wisdom and Knowledge Circle (IWKC): Provides direction, guidance and recommendations to the Indigenous Steering Group and the overall project to ensure that Indigenous rights, knowledge systems, and priorities are embedded throughout the project.

GET INVOLVED

- The BCRIP project will fund Indigenous-led Nature-Based Solutions (NbS) Partnership Projects in Peru, Bolivia, Colombia, and Guatemala, which will be co-designed and co-implemented in partnership with Indigenous Peoples in Canada. Partnership projects will also include knowledge sharing, relationship building and joint advocacy opportunities.
- Interested First Nations in BC and Indigenous communities and/or organizations in the four Latin American countries will be required to collaborate on the creation and submission of a proposal. Please reach out if you are interested in building new partnerships or leveraging existing partnerships with Indigenous Peoples in Peru, Bolivia, Colombia, and Guatemala.
- A call for proposals and an informational webinar will be scheduled in February 2025. Approved applicants will implement the partnership projects within a maximum of two years. Projects are anticipated to start in July-August 2025. .

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