

# WORK PLAN 2024-2025

Platform to Support Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in  
Forest and Climate Action

(includes comments from Platform members)

Introduction .....	2
Timeline .....	3
Platform outcomes, outputs and activities .....	4
Outcome 1 .....	4
Output 1A .....	4
Output 1B .....	5
Output 1C .....	7
Outcome 2 .....	8
Output 2A .....	8
Output 2B .....	10
Output 2C .....	11

## Introduction

The Forest & Climate Leaders' Partnership (FCLP), launched at COP27, is a high-ambition group of 33 governments that are committed to work together to drive global ambition to support the delivery of the 2030 target to halt and reverse forest loss and land degradation.

The Platform to Support Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Forest Climate Action was launched at COP28 by a group of governments, donors from the Forest Tenure Funders Group, and indigenous organisations including the Global Alliance for Territorial Communities. Norway and Peru are leading the development of the Platform.

After several months of discussions between experts, they have recommended that the platform participants are well placed to deliver two outcomes, which are closely interlinked:

1. Policy action at national level: By 2030 the Platform has supported at least six tropical forest countries<sup>1</sup> to advance in: (1) shifting policies to strengthen forest tenure rights and secure a path towards zero deforestation and zero violence in IP and LC territories, and/or (2) redirecting or increasing finance flows towards more positive outcomes for IP & LCs, and/or (3) developing and strengthening more inclusive climate governance<sup>2</sup> models at the national/regional level.
2. Policy action at global level: Between 2024 and 2030, the Platform has regularly contributed to increased high-level political attention on IP and LC issues raised by IP and LC organizations and FCLP country members, utilizing regional and geopolitical opportunities to influence decision-making and political (including donors) agendas.

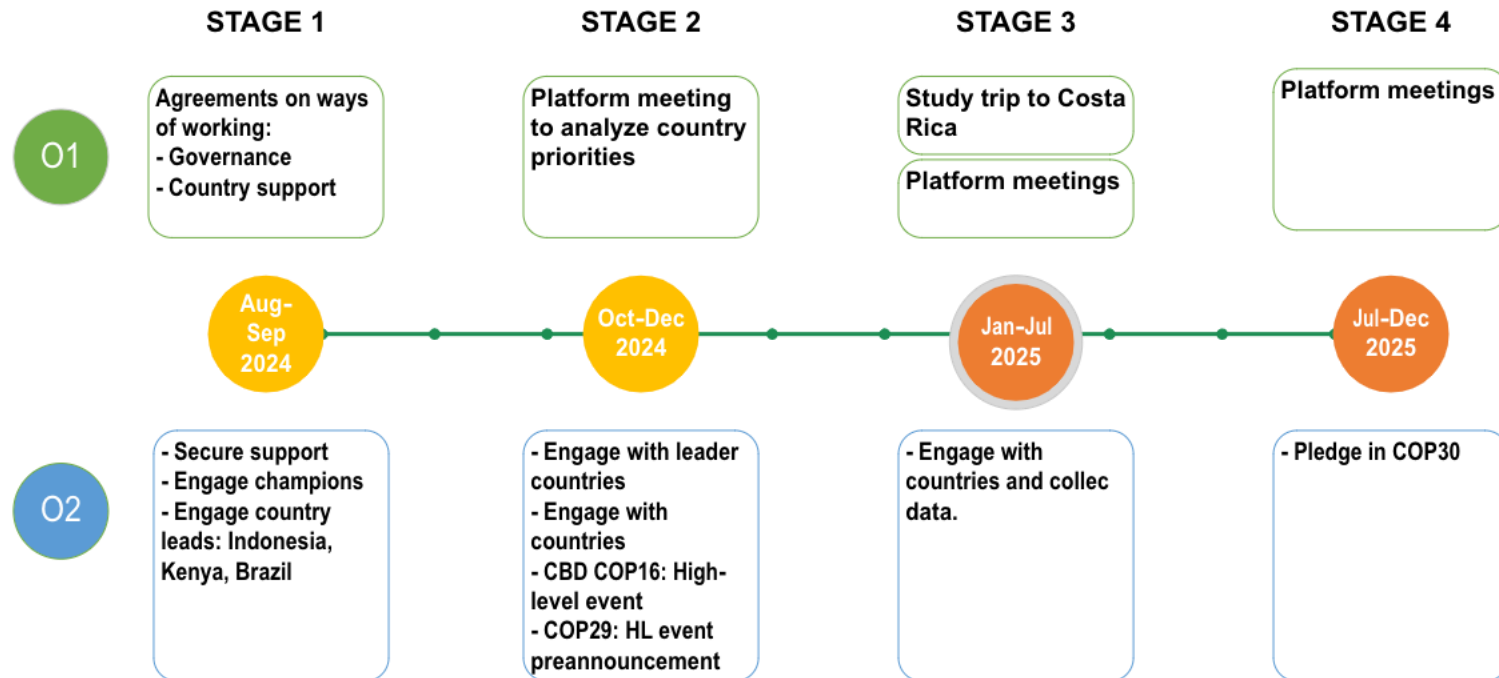
To deliver on agreed outcomes, the Platform participants can use a combination of the following key tools and approaches, as required: (1) Exchange of experiences and best practices; (2) Working with the international community to catalyse finance, efficiency and impact in countries and regions; (3) Communications and political awareness; (4) Hexagonal coordination; (5) Alliance building and identifying opportunities.

Based on discussions between the Expert Group and between participants in Oslo (27 June 2024), the following sets out a workplan for the Platform between now and COP30, whilst recognising that further considerations need to be given to the governance of the Platform.

---

<sup>1</sup> FCLP considers that members of the IPLC Working Group could be the 6 countries to start this work: Costa Rica, Peru, Colombia, DRC, Ecuador, Ghana.

# Timeline



## Platform outcomes, outputs and activities

Please note this is an initial workplan that will be iterated, developed and expanded as work progresses, and as Platform participants come forward with plans and ideas to support ambition and progress.

### Outcome 1

By 2030 the Platform has supported at least 6 tropical forests countries to advance in: (1) shifting policies to strengthen forest tenure rights and secure a path towards zero deforestation and zero violence in IP&LC territories and/or (2) redirecting or increasing finance flows towards more positive outcomes for IPs and LCs and/or (3) developing and strengthening more inclusive climate governance models at the national/regional level.

**Output 1A: Platform participants have supported dialogue and ambition on more direct Indigenous Peoples and local communities funding and have outlined ways forward to incentivize the use of local/IP and LC funds to support IP and LC initiatives.**

Activities	Inputs	Resources Needed	Lead	Who can Support	Timeframe
<p><b>1A1.</b> Interchange of experiences with countries that have models of addressing funding directly. Interchange with philanthropies and donors about the idea of the 2 pledges.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concept note</li> </ul>	<p>Resources for workshop in NY Climate Week; Travel support for IPLC organizations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peru + Norway.</li> <li>• GATC</li> <li>• ANECAP-IPLC organization in Peru</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FCLP Secretariat</li> <li>• Relevant governments</li> <li>• Platform members, including public and private funders.</li> </ul>	<p>New York Climate Week 2024</p>

Activities	Inputs	Resources Needed	Lead	Who can Support	Timeframe
<b>1A2.</b> Discussion on how to include Biodiversity Plans and Climate action in forests and capture biodiversity financing in Indigenous REDD+ Projects (RIA).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concept note</li> <li>• For CBD COP16.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peru + other interested governments.</li> <li>• ANECAP-IPLC organization in Peru.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Platform members.</li> <li>• FCLP Secretariat.</li> <li>• CBD Secretariat.</li> </ul>	CBD COP16

*\*Option to convene a Ministerial Dialogue on direct funding at the appropriate time.*

**Output 1B: Platform members have supported each other identifying possible partners in countries that can support action technically, financially and politically.**

Activities	Inputs	Resources needed	Lead	Who can support	Timeframe
<b>1B1.</b> Country work plans and Platform meetings to exchange, learn and support six countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tropical forest countries define prioritized actions on IPLC issues and define how to work with the Platform.</li> <li>• Convening donors (country donors and philanthropies) that can connect with programs already in the country or</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentations from countries.</li> <li>• Presentations from different organizations that can share opportunities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest Tenure Funders Group</li> <li>• Norway and Peru</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FCLP Secretariat</li> <li>• Re:wild is interested in working on country work plans.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Platform meetings:</li> <li>• CBD COP16, Close Door meeting: Costa Rica.</li> <li>• COP29 Closed Door Meeting: Peru.</li> <li>• OTFF Closed Door meeting: DRC</li> <li>• NY Climate Week 2025, Closed Door meeting: Ghana</li> <li>• Virtual meetings, TBD.</li> </ul>

Activities	Inputs	Resources needed	Lead	Who can support	Timeframe
	opportunities of new funding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convening partners to explain programs being developed in countries (E.g. UNDP, RRI, LTF)</li> </ul>				Colombia and Ecuador.

These country priorities have been outlined to some degree already. For example:

- Peru is interested in donor influence over REDD Indigenous, direct funding, and promoting inclusive governance in national mechanisms such as PROFONANPE.
- Costa Rica is interested in funding (1) a process to design instruments to improve PAFS, Forests Action Plans to be linked with the new Land Tenure Law., and (2) Capacity building for communities receiving money for the first time directly.
- Ecuador is interested in developing the administrative procedure to apply the law that allow IPLCs to access land titles in National Protected Areas. This could include technical and legal support, mapping and other geographical and technological support, political support.
- Colombia, Ghana and DRC still need to conduct an internal dialogue to define national priorities to bring to the Platform.
- Kenya is interested in working in a capacity building on self-determination for communities that must decide about carbon projects.
- GATC has raised the topics of people on voluntary isolation and protection to environmental defenders. More discussions should happen to figure out the interest of countries or regions (E.g. Amazon Basin) to work in these topics.

**Output 1C: Platform members have supported countries that work together with IP + LC National organizations in the creation or improvement of policies that strengthen tenure rights and have secured a path towards zero deforestation and zero violence in IP&LC territories.**

Activities	Inputs	Resources	Lead	Support	Timeframe
<p><b>1C1. Seminar to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exchange lessons learned from successful IPLC ´s policies in countries.</li> <li>• Understand available funding opportunities for countries to support ambition on IP + LC initiatives.</li> <li>• Have information of partners policies and ways to work (E.g. UNDP, Rights and Resources Initiative Tenure Facility)</li> <li>• Field visit to Costa Rica</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concept note coming from FCLP Secretariat and discussed with Platform members.</li> <li>• Mapping of funding opportunities: Rainforest Norway.</li> <li>• Convening donors to provide information about their policies to funding and participate in the workshop in COP29.</li> <li>• Convening partners to explain programs being developed in countries (E.g. UNDP, RRI, LTF)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convening and organization in 2024</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Costa Rica.</li> <li>• FCLP members.</li> <li>• Other governments like Brazil, Ghana.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Platform members FCLP Secretariat.</li> </ul>	<p>Mid 2025.</p>

## Outcome 2

Between 2024 and 2030, the Platform has regularly contributed to increased high-level political attention to the IP and LC issues raised by IP and LC organizations and FCLP country members, utilizing regional and geopolitical opportunities to influence decision-making and political (including donors) agendas.

### Output 2A: Deliver a global inter-governmental commitment to recognize XX hectares of indigenous forest lands by 2030.

Activities	Inputs	Resource needed	Leads	Who can support	Timeframe
<b>2A1.</b> Define categories, engage with countries and land authorities and collate existing data and information on targets for forest tenure recognition from existing data sources/organizations [based on findings might need to commission further research/consultancy].	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage with countries who lead land tenure outcomes: Indonesia, Kenya, Brazil, Liberia, Panamá.</li> <li>Desk research.</li> <li>Engagement with countries' strategy.</li> <li>Consultancy to support data specialist.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TORs to develop a consultancy to support FCLP Secretariat.</li> <li>The consultancy aims to: i) define categories; ii) support the Secretariat in the country engagement; iii) collect and align data from countries; iv) process information to be communicated.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCLP Secretariat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members.</li> <li>Partners: RRI/ Land Tenure Facility, Rainforest Foundation Norway, RAISG, Cadasta Foundation, RRI.</li> </ul>	August – December 2024
<b>2A2.</b> Coordinate with existing discussions on global recognition of indigenous lands like Path to Scale + NDC discussions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bilateral Discussions + Alignment with FCLP work on NDC ambition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCLP Secretariat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members</li> <li>Partners: RRI/Land Tenure Facility</li> </ul>	August - October 2024



Activities	Inputs	Resource needed	Leads	Who can support	Timeframe
<b>2A3.</b> Understand political appetite of upcoming COP Presidencies to focus on IP + LC land recognition.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bilateral Outreach w/ Brazil, Azerbaijan, Colombia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCLP Secretariat Norway/Peru</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCLP Secretariat</li> <li>Platform members: GATC, FTFG</li> </ul>	August – October 2024
<b>2A4.</b> Statement at High Level Event at CBD COP16.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft Statement and key discussion questions; key countries attend outlining domestic forest tenure goals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travels IPLC members of the Platform.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members</li> <li>FCLP Sec Norway/Peru.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partners that can help with technical advice: RRI/Land Tenure Facility, Rainforest Foundation Norway</li> </ul>	CBD COP 16
<b>2A5.</b> Invite Champions to join the call for governments, donors and multilaterals to join to the pledges.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TORS to invite champions.</li> <li>Networking with Climate Champions to join the pledge.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members</li> <li>FTFG</li> <li>FCLP</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members</li> <li>FTFG</li> </ul>	September 2025
<b>2A6.</b> High level event to incentivize governments to join the commitment and analyze the importance of forest tenure to achieve GLD and NDCs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept note prepared by the FCLP Secretariat and discussed with Platform members.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources for travel GATC and other IPLC organizations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Norway and Peru</li> <li>FCLP Secretariat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members helping to identify speakers.</li> </ul>	CBD COP16 or COP29
<b>2A7.</b> Declaration at COP30.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear message and statement about the declaration.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communications consultancy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members (specifics tbc)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCLP Secretariat</li> </ul>	September to November 2025

**Output 2B: Support a consultative and inclusive approach to deliver a second Forest Tenure Pledge by at COP30.**

Activities	Inputs	Resources needed	Leads	Who can support	Timeframe
<b>2B1.</b> Consultation between FTFG + FCLP Secretariat to discuss how to develop an inclusive second pledge.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meetings and dialogues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting facilities</li> <li>Interpretation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Norway</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members: GATC, FCLP members.</li> </ul>	NYCW 2024 – COP30
<b>2B2.</b> Consultation between FTFG members and Platform participants (next steps tbc post NYCW).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Input Papers + Structured Facilitation of workshop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting facilities @ NYCW (Ford to provide)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FTFG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members: GATC, FCLP members.</li> </ul>	23 September 2024 NYCW- COP30
<b>2B3.</b> Pre-Announcement at COP29 announcing intention to pledge and intention to consult.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft statement; bilateral political discussions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communications consultancy to have a clear and unified message at COP30.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FTFG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members: GATC, FCLP members.</li> </ul>	NYCW 2025
<b>2B4.</b> Pledging moment at COP30.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High-level event with commitments and demonstrable support from donors, forest countries and IP leaders.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communications consultancy to have a clear and unified message at COP30.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FTFG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Platform members: GATC, FCLP members.</li> </ul>	COP30

**Output 2C: Support the development of global principles for critical policy issues that can support the implementation of ambition to support indigenous peoples and local communities [This could include information, and knowledge sharing].**

This Output C requires further discussions and deliberation by Platform participants. The types of proposals that have been discussed to date include supporting development of the following at either a technical or political level:

- Inclusive governance principles.
- Benefit sharing principles and inclusion.
- Support strategies on the protection of environmental defenders.

Support policies to protect indigenous populations in voluntary isolation.