

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' EXPERIENCES IN CONSERVATION: GOOD PRACTICES AND CHALLENGES

Indigenous peoples number about 370 million in some 70 countries and are spread across the globe, from the Pacific Islands to the heart of the Amazon and the Congo Basin to the Arctic region. They live in and depend on unique ecosystems and have their distinct socio-economic and political structures. These systems have enabled indigenous peoples to sustainably manage their territories for generations.

Indigenous peoples have the longest experience in conserving natural resources despite continuous threats to their territories. It is because of the effective conservation measures of indigenous peoples that today their territories are the most carbon-rich and with the lowest deforestation rates.

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Indigenous Peoples' and Communities' Pavilion

FEATURING REMARKS FROM:

Lola Cabnal (Guatemala)

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