

## Network project on Gender, Indigenous Peoples and Natural Resource Management

**Programme for the workshop with indigenous resource persons on experiences and lessons learned from activities related to gender and indigenous perspectives in natural resource management.**

**Time: The 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> of September, 2004**

**Place: WWF Denmark, Ryesgade 3 F, 2100 Copenhagen, Denmark**

Day and Data	Agenda	Comments
<b>Monday 20.09.04</b>		<b>Moderator:</b>
Morning	Free for already arrived participants. Arrival of last participants	
12.00 to 13.00.	Lunch at Bryghuset, Ryesgade 3	All participants meet for lunch. Walk together to the WWF Denmark premises around the corner
13.00 to 13.30	Welcome by WWF Secretary General Kim Carstensen. Presentation of the workshop agenda and logistic information.	by Elisabeth Kiørboe (Network project coordinator)
13.30 to 14.30	Presentation of workshops participants	5 minutes presentation for each person
14.30 – 15.05	General introduction to gender, IP and NRM in the Danish context.  Short presentation of the five Danish network organisations and their work on gender, IP and NRM.	By Vibeke Tuxen (10 min.)  By each network member (5 min. each)
15.05 – 15.20	Coffee, tea break	
15.20 – 16.50  15.20 – 15.50: China 15.50 – 16.05: questions 16.05 – 16.35: Panama 16.35 – 16. 50: questions	Each indigenous resource person presents: 1. the positive experiences/cases from his/her respective country 2. what made the positive experiences/cases possible? 3. for whom were the experiences positive? 4. the perception of the main obstacles for including gender and indigenous concerns in NRM	Each indigenous resource person has 30 minutes for the presentation. After each presentation there will be 15 min. for questions.

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<b>Tuesday 21.09.04</b>		<b>Moderator:</b>
<p>9.00 – 11.00</p> <p>9.00 – 9.30: Nepal 9.30 – 9.45: questions 9.45 – 10.15: Ecuador 10.15 – 10.30: questions</p> <p>10.30 – 11.00: summing up</p>	<p>Each indigenous resource person presents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the positive experiences/cases from his/her respective country</li> <li>2. what made the positive experiences/cases possible?</li> <li>3. for whom were the experiences positive?</li> <li>4. the perception of the main obstacles for including gender and indigenous concerns in NRM</li> </ol>	<p>At WWF Denmark, Ryesgade 3 F</p> <p>Each indigenous resource person has 30 minutes for the presentation. After each presentation there will be 15 min. for questions.</p>
11.00 – 11.20	Coffee, tea break	
11.20 – 12.10	Presentation of the results of the State of the Art Paper	By Cæcilie Mikkelsen
12.10 – 12.30	Questions and discussion	
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch at Luftkastellet in Christianshavn	Transport time is included
14.00 – 16.00	<p>Discussion on approaches, methods and tools for incorporating gender and IP concerns in NRM activities based on the IP resource persons' and the Danish network partners' experiences.</p> <p>The discussion will be guided by the five identified key thematic areas extracted from the indigenous resource persons' reports (see annex 1) and by additional suggestions.</p>	The workshop continues at the premises of DIIS in Strandgade.

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<b>Wednesday 22.09.04</b>		<b>Moderator:</b>
9.30 – 13.00  Coffee break around 11.00	<p>Discussion on approaches, methods and tools for incorporating gender and IP concerns in NRM activities based on the IP resource persons' and the Danish network partners' experiences.</p> <p>The discussion will be guided by the five identified key thematic areas extracted from the indigenous resource persons' reports (see annex 1) and by additional suggestions.</p>	The workshop sessions take place at the WWF Denmark, Ryesgade 3 F
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch at the WWF office	Food will be ordered
14.00 – 16.30	Identification of recommendations and new ideas for incorporating gender and IP aspects and concerns in NRM activities.	

<b>Thursday 23.09.04</b>		
9.00 – 13.30	Free for tourist visits	The workshop guests are free to relax, to have a look at Copenhagen City or do what they want. They must arrange lunch by themselves
13.30	Arrival at DIIS, Strandgade 71, Copenhagen, room: Auditorium	It will be arranged for the workshop guests to find their way to DIIS.
14.00 – 18.00	<p>Public meeting on Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resource Management.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation of the Network Project,</li> <li>2. Presentation of the State of the Art Paper</li> <li>3. Presentation of the perspectives of the thematic issues from Ecuador, Nepal, Panama and China</li> <li>4. Discussion</li> <li>5. reception</li> </ol>	<p>The agenda for the meeting is enclosed in annex 2.</p> <p>Each indigenous workshop guest are given 10 minutes to present perspectives on indigenous peoples, gender and natural resource management from their respective countries.</p>

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<b>Friday 24.09.04</b>		<b>Moderator:</b>
10.00 – 11.30	Agreement on final recommendations and conclusions of the workshop.	Workshop session at the WWF Office
11.30 – 11.50	Coffee, tea break	
11.50 – 13.30	Evaluation of the workshop in terms of the usefulness of recommendations, conclusions for indigenous peoples and for the network organisations.	
13.30 – 15.00	Lunch and workshop closure at the WWF office	Food will be ordered

## **ANNEX 1**

### **Workshop in Denmark with Indigenous Resource Persons from 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> of September, 2004**

With a view to organise the discussions during the workshop and to help to maintain an overview of the different main issues to dialogue on, the following key thematic areas have been extracted from the indigenous resource persons' screening reports. However, it would be very useful to receive comments and suggestions from the indigenous resource persons during the workshop as to the relevance of these identified key thematic areas, and possibly alternative suggestions and perspectives.

The main objective of the present workshop is to develop recommendations for including gender and indigenous perspectives in natural resource management activities, through the exchange of experiences and lessons learned from the different indigenous realities around the world and from the Danish NGO /Research network organisations.

#### **Proposal for key thematic areas to discuss during the workshop:**

##### *1. Benefits from a gender and IP sensitive natural resource management*

- a. How do we get the message across to NGOs, indigenous communities, indigenous leaders and decision makers in general that integrating indigenous peoples, gender and natural resource management is beneficial both for the communities, the men and women that are member of these communities and for the natural resources?
- b. What are the actual benefits for the natural resources when including gender and indigenous perspectives in natural resource management?
- c. In which way does the indigenous family benefit from a gender oriented natural resource management (i.e. relationship between men and women, economic benefits, cultural benefits, self esteem and status within the community, other issues)?
- d. What are the benefits for NGOs and government structures?
- e. What are the limitations to achieving a gender orientation in activities related to indigenous peoples and natural resource management?

##### *2. Gender and IP sensitive methodologies:*

###### 2.1 Entry Strategies:

- a. How should indigenous women's organisations be supported in order to enhance the gender aspect in general and in natural resource management in particular?
- b. How can we best contact women in a community and get them interested in establishing a dialogue that can inform about their needs, their interests, their knowledge, the constraints they face, etc.?
- c. What would be the best strategies/methodologies to apply in order to include both indigenous men and women from the very start of an activity?

###### 2.2 Training:

- a. Training is mentioned many times, but what kind of training is needed, what should be the result of this training and which capacities should it help the trainees to obtain? What should

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indigenous men learn? What should indigenous women learn? What should men and women in the NGOs learn? What should male and female staff in governmental structures learn?

- b. It is also mentioned that training alone is not enough and that follow up measures are also needed. What kind of follow up measures are needed ?
- c. What would be the benefits of the training of men and women at the community level, within indigenous organisations, within NGOs and government structures and how should the training be organized in order to appeal to and effectively involve both men and women?

### 2.3. Participatory methodologies:

- b. How can the use of participatory methodologies help and promote the inclusion of gender and indigenous perspectives in natural resource management activities?
- c. What kind of participatory methodologies (PRA and others) are more suitable for facilitating processes of change in attitudes and practices?

### *3. Decision making mechanisms:*

- a. What is the best way to promote gender aspects in decision making (i.e. to establish a constructive and respectful dialogue and collaboration) at different levels such as:
  - (i) between men and women at community level (roles/responsibilities, knowledge on natural resources, economic benefits)
  - (ii) between indigenous organisations and NGOs (democratic and cultural aspects)
  - (iii) between indigenous organisations, NGOs and government structures (democratic, legal and cultural aspects)
- b. what happens to women in communities when men leave for migrant work? in terms of work load as well as in terms of decision-making power. Are the men left back still the ones in control?
- c. How can we best include gender and indigenous aspects in advocacy work related to natural resource management?

### *4. Legal aspects:*

- a. A critical issue for most indigenous communities is their collective right to land and the right to accede, use and control the natural resources on this land. When such rights do not exist, it affects both men and women, as well as the natural resources since there is a danger that they will be (over) exploited by outsiders.
  - (i) How should this issue be addressed in a way that ensures that both indigenous men's and women's needs and interests are taken into account in a land reform or any other land and resource related legislation?
- b. When such collective rights do exist, indigenous women are sometimes not taken into account because decisions as to the allocation of land, use and control of resources are taken on the basis of customary laws and practices.
  - (ii) Should this issue be addressed? and if yes, how?
  - (iii) How do gender insensitive territorial rights for indigenous peoples affect men, women and the natural resource management?

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### *5. Gender and IP sensitive Project Cycle mechanisms:*

- a. How should the concept of gender and the idea of involving women in a project cycle (from identifying, planning, to implementing, monitoring and evaluation activities) be introduced in a community?
- b. Are certain strategies /methodologies /arguments more useful for making men and women understand the importance of involving both men and women at all levels of the project cycle as well as identifying the benefits that can be drawn from it?
- c. What aspects and what mechanisms are important when designing and formulating a project that wants to integrate indigenous peoples, gender and natural resource management ?
- d. The gender aspect is often perceived as donor driven – what mechanisms do we see to assure local ownership of gender and indigenous oriented activities?
- e. Is the issue of short term benefits versus long term impact in natural resource management projects important to indigenous men and women? If yes, why and how should this issue be handled?
- f. What are the needs and mechanisms for follow up measures in relation to gender oriented natural resource management activities with indigenous peoples?
- g. The value of organisational gender strategies and policies is questioned in some of the organisational questionnaire reports. What are the usefulness of gender policies and strategies for indigenous peoples and natural resource management? Are they worth the effort in terms of the practical implications of these for indigenous men and women and for the natural resource management?

## ANNEX 2

DIIS and IGNARM seminar

### **Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management**

**September 23, 2004, 14.00-16.30**

Venue: DIIS Auditorium, Strandgade 71, Copenhagen

Indigenous men and women often relate to and use natural resources in different ways, both in their everyday lives and according to their cosmologies. Yet, these differences are often neglected in the design and practical implementation of externally supported interventions – whether being interventions aimed at development, natural resource management and conservation or research. Moreover, it seems that more is known about indigenous men's relation to and use of natural resources than that of indigenous women, and that men rather than women are involved in the planning and implementation of externally supported interventions.

On this background, in 2003, five organizations – [WWF-Denmark](#), [IWGIA](#), [KULU](#)-Women and Development, [Nepenthes](#) and [DIIS](#) – all based in Denmark but each having its particular focus and expertise, decided to form a network (Network on Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management – IGNARM (<http://www.cdr.dk/genderres/about/default.htm>)) in order to share, explore and strengthen their experiences and knowledge within the field emerging at the intersection between indigenous peoples, gender and natural resource management. The Network has received funding from Danida.

As part of the work of this network, a *state-of-the-art* paper has been developed which summarizes the experiences and identifies achievements and gaps in the understanding and practice concerning the interplay of indigenous peoples, gender and natural resource management.

In order to learn from experiences from indigenous peoples themselves the IGNARM has invited indigenous resource persons from Asia, Africa and Latin America to Denmark.

The purpose of the DIIS seminar on Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management – Achievements and Challenges Ahead is to introduce IGNARM, to present the *state-of-the-art* paper on the current understanding of the interplay between indigenous peoples, gender and natural resources and perspectives from indigenous resource persons.

The seminar will take place at DIIS, Thursday 23 September 2004, 14.00-16.30. The seminar will be followed by a reception. The seminar is open to all. If you wish to participate, please let us know by sending an email to Ellen-Marie Bentsen, DIIS, [emb@diis.dk](mailto:emb@diis.dk), tel. 32 69 86 09.

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## Programme

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### Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management

**September 23, 2004, 14.00-16.30**

Venue: DIIS Auditorium, Strandgade 71, Copenhagen

Chair: *Helle Munk Ravnborg, Senior Research Fellow, Department of Development Research, DIIS*

14.00 – 14.05	Welcome <i>Helle Munk Ravnborg</i>
14.05 – 14.20	Short presentation of the Network on Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management (IGNARM) <i>Elisabeth Kiørboe, WWF – Verdensnaturfonden. Network Coordinator</i>
14.20 – 14.45	Indigenous Peoples, Gender and Natural Resources Management – presentation of the <i>state of the art</i> <i>Cæcilie Mikkelsen, DIIS</i>
14.45 – 14.55	Perspectives from Ecuador <i>Ms. Nely Shiguango</i>
14.55 – 15.05	Perspectives from Nepal <i>Ms. Lucky Sherpa</i>
15.05 – 15.15	Perspectives from Panama <i>Ms. Temilda Yanet Sierra Pérez</i>
15.15 – 15.25	Perspectives from China <i>Mr. Luk Tak Chuen</i>
15.25 – 15.45	Coffee break
15.45 – 16.30	Discussion
16.30 – 18.00	Reception

The seminar is open to all, however, registration is required. If you wish to participate, please let us know by sending an email to Ellen-Marie Bentsen, DIIS, [emb@diis.dk](mailto:emb@diis.dk) or by calling at tel. 32 69 86 09.

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