



# Recognizing and supporting Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas

Monday, 06 October, 16:30 - 20:00  
Poble main workshop space -- WCC Barcelona

Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas (ICCAs) are natural sites, resources and species' habitats conserved in voluntary and self-directed ways by indigenous peoples and local communities throughout the world. This conservation practice—intertwined with local livelihoods and the spiritual and material values of local cultures—is the oldest on earth. Paradoxically, it is also the least understood, and in severe jeopardy today. This is so despite the policy innovations of Durban 2003 and CBD COP 7, which signalled the “rediscovery” of ICCAs in international policy fora. As a matter of fact, even providing support to ICCAs is a sensitive endeavour. Some well-wishing support initiatives have produced negative outcomes for both conservation and livelihoods, as they affected the governance institutions of traditional ICCAs in unforeseen ways. Better informed and more careful and respectful approaches are urgently needed.

TILCEPA and partners have been implementing initiatives to deepen the knowledge of the complex ICCA phenomenon, including regional reviews, national surveys of policy and legislation and in depth-case studies. These initiatives are contributing to build the momentum for understanding and supporting ICCAs, including the engagement of IUCN members, partners and donors, and of the GEF Small Grants Program.

This alliance-building workshop will call upon people and institutions ready to make sure that ICCAs remain a powerful component of conservation systems and that, in the face of global change, their role is enhanced rather than diminished. It will be a culminating event following the knowledge-seeking initiatives mentioned above, dedicated national and regional meetings throughout 2008, and specific discussions at CBD and other international conferences.

## Objectives

- Review progress of knowledge, policy and practice in support of ICCAs
- Present and discuss lessons learned about the status, needs and opportunities of ICCAs in different parts of the world
- Discuss avenues to support ICCAs within and outside national Protected Areas systems
- Identify strategic directions for action, possibly through the forming of a global alliance in support of ICCAs

The workshop will be three and a half hours in length. A few selected case studies will be followed by remarks from discussants. Ample time will be reserved for involving participants in developing conclusions and recommendations, and discussing global action in support of ICCAs.

## Sponsoring organizations

IUCN Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP) – TILCEPA and TGER

## Agenda

<b>time</b>	<b>speaker</b>	<b>subject</b>
16:30-16:45	Grazia Borrini-Feyerabend and Ashish Kothari	Welcome and outline of the workshop – Introduction to ICCAs and key questions
<b>Case study presentations</b>		
16:45-16:50	Neema Pathak	Mendha-Lekha (India)— We are the government in our village!
16:50-16:55	Claudia Camacho & Carlos Del Campo	ICCAs in Mexico
16:55-17:00	Vololoniaina Rasoarimanana	Recognition of CCAs in Madagascar— what do communities want?
17:00-17:05	Dave De Vera and Donato Bumacas	ICCAs in the Philippines
17:05-17:10	Lionel Gibson and Hugh Govan	Community Conserved Areas-- A review of status & needs in Melanesia and Polynesia
17:10-17:15	Juan Carlos Riascos	Colombia, Bolivia and Ecuador: all that ICCAs can be...
17:15-17:20	Li Bo	CCAs in the Chinese biodiversity hotspot
17:20-17:25	Phil Wise and Djawa Yunupingu	Dhimurru Indigenous Protected Area, Australia
17:25-17:30	Juan Chavez	The “Areas Naturales Protejidas” of and by Indigenous Peoples in Peru
17:30-17:35	Grazia Borrini-Feyerabend & Maurizio Farhan Ferrari	The “Regole” of Cortina d’Ampezzo – an Italian CCA
17:35-17:40	Hossein Gholi Khan and Taghi Farvar	Recognising the territories of mobile Indigenous Peoples as CCAs— ushering a new era in Iran
17:40-17:45	Dao Nguyen	Van Long Nature Reserve (Vietnam)—benefits for whom?
17:45-17:50	Kira L. Johnson and Helen Newing	Community orchards—England’s CCAs!
17:50-17:55	Carmen Miranda	ICCAs in the Bolivian Andes
17:45-17:50	Sonam Sherpa, Tenzing Tashi Sherpa & Stan Stevens	Khumbu (Mt. Everest region) as ICCA
<b>Information sources</b>		
17:55-18:00	Barbara Lassen & Tasneem Balasinorwala	The ICCAForum web site with “live” examples + various available publications and posters
<b>Discussion</b>		
18:00-18:45	<b>Invited to join as discussants:</b> Janis Alcorn, Thora Amend, Marco Bassi, Seema Bhatt, Jessica Brown, Marcus Colchester, Nigel Dudley, Terence Hay-Edie, Mike Jones, Banie Lasimbang, Onel Masardule, Helen Newing, Dario Novellino, Mariana Oliveira, Gonzalo Oviedo, Trevor Sandwith, Vivienne Solis Rivera, Vicky Tauli Corpuz, Konrad Uebelhoer, Messe Venant, Penninah Zaninka.	
18:45-19:45	<b>Open forum with the audience</b>	
19:50-20:00	<b>Summary remarks :</b> Nigel CRAWHALL, Jannie LASIMBANG	

**Rapporteurs:** Mike Jones, Dario Novellino, Neema Pathak and Stan Stevens