STATEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES MAJOR GROUP

GOAL 12: Responsible Production and Consumption

Indigenous peoples across the globe are keepers of lands, territories and resources which they have conserve and manage sustainably for our collective survival and for the future generation. Indigenous Peoples' have the least carbon footprint and our ecological economies thrive with our practice of sustainable traditional occupations that also embodies our diverse cultures, identities and distinct ways of life. Our production and consumption system is guided by our values of sharing, mutual cooperation, reciprocity and conservation and regeneration for the future generation.

In contrast, the prevailing capitalist system of production is highly extractive, profit-oriented and inequitable. Our lands and resources are used for massive palm oil production, commercial agriculture, extractive industry among others, which is driven by greed and power of domination. As a result, indigenous peoples constitute 15% of the poor, and are facing ethnocide with the alarming destruction of our lands and resources as a production base that is not only unsustainable but also creating severe inequality, gross violation of our collective rights and wellbeing.

In order to achieve Goal 12 on responsible production and consumption, indigenous peoples have so much to share from our sustainable management of resources and lifestyles, our rich traditional knowledge and innovations and our values for sharing and relation of reciprocity with each other and with diverse ecosystems.

With the pledge of leaving no one behind to achieve the SDGs, we call on States to

1. Formally recognize and protect our collective rights to our lands, territories and resources as an urgent action in line with the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
2. Recognize, protect and support our traditional sustainable livelihoods, traditional knowledge and innovations for sustainable production practices
3. Recognize, protect and enhance the roles and contributions of indigenous women in sustainable production and consumption, and ensure the protection of their rights as indigenous peoples and as women,
4. Adopt coherent policies and mechanisms to stop unsustainable production and consumption systems and ensure social and climate justice, human rights protection, equity and protection of the environment

Formal titling of Indigenous Peoples' resources is a great opportunity for the 10yfp to advance the life cycle approach, from reduction of the resources used in the extraction and production phases to reuse and recycling, including by deploying innovation in technology and standards, including on materials quality. With formal title to our resources Indigenous Peoples can more effectively model sustainable consumption and production.

Indigenous Peoples' Sustainable Consumption and Production eradicates pockets of poverty in the midst of plenty. When negotiating for our Free Prior Informed Consent, developers can learn our
innovative methods for continuing sustainable consumption and production with Indigenous Peoples’ territories. Incorporating Indigenous Peoples’ production protocols into SDG12 targets ensures that all sources of life are used and re-used.

Indigenous Peoples’ sustainability achievements model respect for traditional lifestyles and spirituality that reduce and eliminate hazardous waste including nuclear waste, and promote sustainable prosperity with enough for all to thrive as we contribute to ecological economies. Indigenous Peoples’ Sustainable Consumption and Production patterns require full implementation of Basel, Minamata, and Stockholm Conventions, promoting Indigenous Peoples’ millennial commitments to minimize transboundary pollution for the benefit of our shared web of life.