

## High Level Political Forum for Sustainable Development (HLPF 2019)

### Session on Financing

#### Statement by the Indigenous Peoples' Major Group (IPMG)

If we are to advance in the SDG implementation, courage, political will and ACTIONS are needed to tackle the concentration of wealth and power and reverse systemic issues on tax evasion, corruption, unjust trade system and non-accountability of corporations.

The priority for public-private partnerships to drive economic growth targets are causing massive land and resource grabs and pushing indigenous peoples further behind as these are not based on the respect and protection of our rights and social equity. This include renewable energy development that is more profit driven. Financing for basic social services including renewable energy is hardly reaching indigenous peoples particularly those in remote areas.

While indigenous peoples are managing 80% of the global biodiversity, there is little investment to support indigenous peoples to secure their lands and resources, and support for their sustainable livelihoods and self-determined development.

In order for the SDG implementation to be on track with the pledge of leaving no one behind, financing for SDGs should prioritize the needs and priorities of those left behind including indigenous peoples such as on education, health, food security, decent work, among others. Likewise, indigenous peoples should be able to access funds and resources in the spirit of partnerships and collaboration to secure their lands and resources, support their sustainable livelihoods and self-determined development as well as climate actions.