Global Meeting of the Indigenous Peoples' Forum Highlighted IFAD's Engagement

The third global meeting of the Indigenous Peoples' Forum at the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) took place in Rome (Italy) between February 10 and 13, 2017 and focused on economic empowerment of indigenous peoples, particularly women and youth. The Global Meeting of the Indigenous Peoples' Forum convenes every other year in conjunction with IFAD's Governing Council. A unique process within the United Nations system, the Forum institutionalizes IFAD's consultation and dialogue with indigenous peoples' representatives at the national, regional, and international levels.

The Forum provides an opportunity for indigenous peoples and IFAD staff to analyze and learn from previous experiences, and further strengthen their collaboration for rural transformation. The 2017 Forum coincides with the 10th anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

The Forum highlighted IFAD's engagement with indigenous peoples during the past decade, and brainstormed future opportunities to improve this work within the 2030 Development Agenda.

More information on the Agenda of this event is available on the IFAD website.