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Invitation: Consultation on the co-creation of an Inclusive Conservation Academy (ICA)

Respectful greetings:

The Tribal Link Foundation, Inc. is leading consultations toward the co-creation of an Inclusive Conservation Academy (ICA), with a primary goal to build capacity in the area of inclusive conservation amongst Indigenous Peoples and local communities (IPLC), as well as amongst conservation NGOs, government, donors, academia, and the private sector. The idea of the ICA has come forward from collaborations between World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) and IPLC organizations while developing the initiative of People Protecting Landscapes and Seascapes that support the shift towards inclusive conservation.

An important, innovative feature of the ICA is that it will be co-created with IPLC leaders, as well as other pioneering CSOs involved in inclusive and rights-based approaches to development and IPLC content matter experts on the themes of equity and social justice. Another innovation is that the proposed ICA will endeavor to create a pool of trainers that would include experienced IPLC "faculty members" who are able to strengthen the inclusive conservation capacities of conservation organizations, the private sector, and governments, as well the relevant skills of their colleague IPLC leaders in order to scale.

To help develop these innovations, Tribal Link Foundation and WWF are collaborating to organize 4 consultations with Indigenous Peoples, and Local Communities (IPLC), as well as other relevant stakeholders in 2021. The objectives of these consultations are to: a) to report on and catalog best practices, challenges, and gaps in conservation, b) to identify areas and approaches for capacity building initiatives, and c) learn and provide recommendations on how Indigenous Peoples can take the lead in building capacity in inclusive conservation and to practices and their impacts on IPLCs.

We are inviting Indigenous Peoples and local community representatives to be a part of our online dialogue for the Pacific region on Thursday, August 5, 2021, from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Canberra ACT, Australia); 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea); 4:00PM - 6:00PM (Wellington, New Zealand); 4:00PM - 6:00PM (Fiji - FJT); 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (Tuvalu); 5:00 - 7:00 PM (Samoa); 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Hawaii); 9:00 PM - 11:00 PM (PDT); 10:00 PM - 12:00 AM (Easter Island); 12:00 AM - 2:00 AM (ET); 6:00 AM - 8:00 AM (CEST).

To register go to <https://bit.ly/PacificConsultation>. For more information contact borrero@triballink.org.

Thanking you in advance,
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