


Human Rights Dialogue on Rights-based Pathways to Climate Mitigation and Just Energy Transition in Asia-Pacific

22-23 September 2024 | Bangkok, Thailand | Online

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Time	Segment	Content
Day 1: 22 September 2024 (Sunday)		
08.30-09.00	Registration	Registration & coffee networking session.
09.00-09.30	Opening Plenary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Human Rights Dialogue • Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Pichamon Yeophantong, <i>The UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights</i> • Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Professor Elisa Morgera, <i>UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change</i>
09.30-11.00	Plenary	<p>Panel 1: Questioning Climate Change 'Techno-Fixes' as Progress: Implications for Communities and Our Collective Future</p> <p><i>(The Panel led by Business and Human Rights Resources Centre, International Rivers)</i></p> <p><i>This session will explore human rights impacts and environmental concerns raised by communities related to projects promoted by businesses, financial and state actors as contributing to climate change mitigation. In particular, the focus will be on rights violations associated with the build out of large-scale non-fossil fuel dependent energy projects and considerations for ways forward that do not continue to replicate harms, losses, and damages to both people in affected areas as well as our planetary commons.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moderator: Gary Lee, <i>International Rivers</i> • Panelist remarks and Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ebo Mili, <i>Right Energy Partnership/ Advocate, North East Human Rights Organization, India</i> ○ Christen Dobson, <i>Business & Human Rights Resource Centre</i> ○ Tanya Lee Roberts-Davis, <i>International Rivers</i> ○ Luciana Tellez-Chavez, <i>Human Rights Watch</i> • Final closing remarks by all speakers
11.00-11.30		Coffee Break

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11.30-13.00	Plenary	<p>Panel 2: Climate Justice for Who? Exploring the Impacts of Transition Mineral Mining in the Asia Pacific</p> <p><i>(The Panel led by Publish What You Pay Asia-Pacific Transitional Mineral Accountability Working Group, Global Witness, and Indigenous Peoples Rights International (IPRI))</i></p> <p><i>The Asia-Pacific hosts some of the world's largest mineral reserves necessary to transition to net zero economies globally. Transition mineral-rich nations in the Asia Pacific are also recognized as amongst the deadliest places in the world to be land defenders and environmental activists, with mining being the most dangerous sector. This panel will delve into the critical need to amplify the voices of climate-vulnerable communities in the Asia-Pacific, who are also host to the minerals necessary to produce green technologies for low carbon economies. By focusing on the intersection of transition mineral extraction, climate equity, ocean conservation, and land rights, the discussion will highlight the risks and impacts faced by Indigenous peoples, Pacific Islanders, local communities and other marginalized groups in these resource-rich regions.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moderator: Mel Flanagan, PWYP Asia Pacific Transition Mineral Accountability WG • Scene Setting presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Expert presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Angela Asuncion, Bantay Kita Publish What You Pay Philippines - Asia-Pacific Transitional Mineral Accountability Working Group ▪ Yun Lai, Senior Advisor for Transition Minerals, Global Witness • Panelists Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adlun, Community member from Indonesia speaking from perspective of Indigenous youth ○ Hanna Hindstrom, Senior Investigator, Global Witness Myanmar CSOs speaking from perspective of local affected communities facing security issues ○ Datu Raymond Moron, Indigenous leader from Agusan del Norte, PH speaking from perspective hosting large scale nickel mining operations- APTMA Representative ○ Nurhayati, Indigenous woman community member from Obi Island hosting nickel and smelting from Indonesia - APTMA Representative ○ Genevieve Cornejo, Indigenous Teduray woman from BARM- IPRI Representative

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Discussion and Q&A • Closing Remarks and Next Steps
13.00-14.00		Lunch Break
14.00-15.30	Plenary	<p>Panel 3: Safeguarding Climate and Environmental Human Rights Defenders: Focus on Women, Indigenous Peoples, and Youth Defenders and Judicial Harassment.</p> <p><i>(The Panel led by Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP) and Global Witness)</i></p> <p><i>The panel aims to highlight and address the escalating threats faced by climate and environmental human rights defenders (EHRDs) in Asia, with a particular focus on women, Indigenous peoples, and youth defenders. It will examine the multifaceted challenges these groups encounter, including judicial harassment and criminalization. The session seeks to foster dialogue among key stakeholders and develop actionable strategies to protect and empower these defenders.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moderator: AIPP & GW • Panelists Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Representative from a National, Regional or Global Organisation on Judicial Harassment ○ Panellist Representing Women ○ Casselle Ton, Indigenous Youths from Philippine ○ Durga Mani Rai, LAHURNIP, Nepal • Q&A with all Panelists • Closing Remarks and Next Steps
15.30-16.00		Coffee Break
16.00-17.00	Plenary	Introduction of outcome messages /documents.
18.00-20.00		Networking Reception
Day 2: 23 September 2024 (Monday)		
08.30-09.00	Registration	Registration & coffee networking session.

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09.00-10.00	Plenary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection on Day 1 Introduction to the format of the breakout discussions. <p>All 4 thematic breakout discussions will run in parallel. Participants will be assigned to one of the 4 breakout discussion rooms. After each round of discussions, participants will rotate to a new group. Over the course of the day, all participants will be able to attend each discussion. Note: Participants can stay the whole day if they want to be able to contribute to all rounds</p> <p>Each breakout discussion will run for approximately 45 minutes with a short break in between to allow participants to switch between breakout discussion rooms. Facilitators will keep time and inform Participants about the program</p>			
10.00-10.45	Interactive Dialogue	Discussion Round 1			
		Climate change mitigation technologies, mechanisms, and carbon markets	Extraction of critical energy transition minerals and metals, land rights, and ocean equity	Safeguarding climate and environmental human rights defenders	Indigenous Peoples, Youth, and Gender Perspective
10.45-11.00		Coffee Break			
11.00-11.45	Interactive Dialogue	Discussion Round 2			
		Climate change mitigation technologies, mechanisms, and carbon markets	Extraction of critical energy transition minerals and metals, land rights, and ocean equity	Safeguarding climate and environmental human rights defenders	Indigenous Peoples, Youth, and Gender Perspective
11.45-12.30	Interactive Dialogue	Discussion Round 3			
		Climate change mitigation technologies, mechanisms, and carbon markets	Extraction of critical energy transition minerals and metals, land rights, and ocean equity	Safeguarding climate and environmental human rights defenders	Indigenous Peoples, Youth, and Gender Perspective
12.30-13.30		Lunch Break			
13.30-14.15	Interactive	Discussion Round 4			

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14.15-15.00		Networking / Plenary Session Preparation			
15.00-16.30	Plenary	Review of the key messages			
16.30-17.00	Plenary	Closing Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing address and next steps • Closing Remarks 			