Call for proposals to make a video about the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the context of National Food Security (VGGT)

BACKGROUND

Following the request by the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples in May 2014¹, FAO organized a meeting with indigenous peoples on the **Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of land, fisheries and forests in the context of national food security (VGGT:** http://www.fao.org/nr/tenure/voluntary-guidelines/en/) on 2-3 February 2015.² At the meeting the UN Special Rapporteur on the rights of Indigenous Peoples pointed at major challenges Indigenous Peoples encounter, including forceful displacement, loss of their lands and lack of recognition of their right to their lands, natural resources and territories where they have been living for thousands of years.

The role of indigenous peoples in the implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines was widely discussed at the conference, and indigenous leaders affirmed the urgency of applying the VGGT practically to protect and strengthen indigenous peoples' tenure rights around the globe and highlighted the importance of monitoring and evaluating implementation efforts.

During the meeting FAO Director-General, Jose Graziano da Silva, made an appeal to the dissemination of the guidelines in various languages (including indigenous languages) to make progress in their implementation; he also highlighted the key role of indigenous peoples in the struggle for food security and sustainable development.

As a result of the event Indigenous Peoples' representatives specifically requested FAO to develop several capacity development activities to strengthen the implementation of the VGGT at country level for and with the support of Indigenous Peoples.

Therefore, in this process of socialization and sensitization of the VGGT with Indigenous Peoples, FAO is inviting interested organizations to submit a proposal to develop **a video of** max 10 minutes (preferably an animation video) on the practical use that Indigenous Peoples could make of the VGGT

OBJECTIVES

The (animation) video should:

- Highlight the role of the VGGT as a tool for Indigenous peoples to use in land related matters
- Turn into a tool that will enable Indigenous Peoples to learn about the VGGT (facilitating exchanges and discussions among them)
- Bring to light the parts of the VGGT that are most relevant for Indigenous Peoples
- Showcase good practices related to their application (e.g. registration of customary land rights of an indigenous community, development of new laws for the recognition and protection of the legitimate tenure rights of indigenous peoples, others)
- Be of universal character (addressed to indigenous communities in different parts of the world)

 $^{^{1}}$ Par 28, Report on the thirteenth session (12-23 May 2014) of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

² The meeting also included other topics relevant to Indigenous Peoples, including Indigenous Food Systems and Agroecology.

- Emphasize specific/key articles of the UNDRIP affirming rights to lands and resources, subsistence, redress and restitution, traditional knowledge, sacred sites, as well as Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC).
- Reflect self-determination Note: By clicking on the following link
 https://vimeo.com/66708050, you will find a sample of a short animation video
 explaining the concepts of Free, Prior and Informed Consent that will give some hints on
 what is expected.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Preference will be given to:

- projects covering abovementioned objectives;
- projects giving concrete examples;
- projects making reference to some of the technical guides accompanying the Voluntary Guidelines http://www.fao.org/nr/tenure/information-resources/en/
 - 1. Gender
 - 2. Governance of forest tenure
 - 3. Free, Prior and Informed Consent
 - 4. Small scale fisheries tenure
 - 5. Agricultural Investments

LANGUAGE

Applications should be submitted in English, French or Spanish.

The video can be produced in any FAO official language (English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese and Russian) or in an indigenous language with dubbing and/or subtitles.

WHO MAY APPLY

- 1. Non-profit Indigenous Peoples' Organizations (women and youth's organizations from all regions are encouraged to apply)
- 2. Organizations with previous experience in developing similar animation videos. Pre-selected candidates will be asked to send a produced video.

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION

If your organization is interested in this job, please send us a proposal consisting of a narrative and financial plan by Closure of Business Monday 7 December 2015.

Please submit abstracts and proposals by sending an email to: Patricia.jimenez@fao.org and cc: Emma.Mcghie@fao.org (Please write in the subject line "Abstract/Proposal").

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Provisional notification date of results of the award process

Start of work 18 December 2015 Completion of the work 1 March 2016