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FOREWORD FROM CO-CHAIRS

As the DGM Global Steering Committee co-chairs, we are deeply honored to have been **elected to lead the next two years of program implementation** and to contribute to this annual report, a testament to the innovation, vision, and efforts led by Indigenous and local communities since 2011 and implemented across 12 countries. Our collective achievements as DGM communities are rooted in our deep connection to and respect for our lands, waters, and traditions. **Thanks to our advocacy efforts, organization, governance systems, and role as stewards of nature, initiatives like the DGM are ever-growing.**

In 2009, The Climate Investment Funds Dedicated Grant Mechanism (DGM) was one of the only initiatives working to direct climate finance into the hands of Indigenous peoples and local communities (IPs and LCs). Fourteen years later, we have seen various commitments and initiatives to direct resources to IPs and LCs. As more initiatives come online, it is essential that these efforts are well coordinated, and that IPs and LCs continue to have a prominent role in decision-making processes and overall leadership.

Over the last year, the DGM has continued to evolve with the closeout of some projects and noteworthy progress in others. The DGM's staggered implementation has been both helpful and challenging for program coordination efforts. With that said, **this design has enabled us to learn from other countries** according to their stage of implementation and now as we look back on almost a decade of this IPs and LCs governed mechanism, we are proud to see incredible results on the ground. One of the key highlights being the

915 subprojects designed, selected, managed, and implemented under IP and LC leadership in nine countries. These 915 subprojects represent \$23M investment directly into communities on initiatives ranging from traditional medicine, land tenure, sustainable forest management, community enterprises, and more.

As a year of continued innovation, growth, and transformation, in 2023, the DGM achieved important milestones in terms of program implementation and closeout, subgrants, gender equity and inclusion, and youth participation. **The DGM Global project has been critical in promoting global learning and knowledge exchange and supporting IP and LC engagement in global climate policy** through participating in UNFCCC COPs, SBSTAs, and most recently the CDB COP, and serving as the secretariat to the Global Steering Committee.

As we transition to a new phase of the DGM Program—with the CIF's newly launched Nature People Climate program, five remaining active country projects, many lessons learned, and a framework proving that IPs and LCs can manage funds—this coming year will be pivotal in terms of continuing to strengthen partnerships, elevate IP and LC voices, promote community ownership, and carve a path for sustainability.

Global Steering Committee Co-chairs



Lucely Pio



Guy Moussele-Diseke

ABOUT THIS REPORT

The Dedicated Grant Mechanism (DGM) for Indigenous peoples and local communities (IPs and LCs) enhances the role of IPs and LCs in protecting the forests they depend on. Financed by the Climate Investment Funds (CIF) Forest Investment Program (FIP), DGM is investing \$70 million globally to support community-led, context-specific programs that draw on local expertise to advance sustainable forest stewardship and elevate the voices of IPs and LCs in local, national, and global climate action. Implemented across 12 countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, the DGM provides IPs and LCs with direct access to resources to strengthen their participation in the FIP and other Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) processes.



The DGM includes 12 country projects, each tailored to its specific national context, as well as a Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange Project (DGM Global) to facilitate international coordination and to extend the benefits of the DGM to leading representatives from communities outside the program's countries.

This report reviews the progress made in the DGM program from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. It provides a country profile for each active country project and overall achievement at the global level. As of the submission of the report, 5 country projects remain active (Nepal, Guatemala, Brazil, Republic of Congo, and Mexico). Country profiles are available for each of these projects, as well as the Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange Project.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

CAA/NM – Center for Alternative Agriculture of Northern Minas

CBO – Community-based Organization

CI – Conservation International

CIF – Climate Investment Funds

CONAP – Confederation of Amazonian Nationalities of Peru

COP – Conference of the Parties (of the UNFCCC)

CSO – Civil Society Organization

DGM – Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

DGM [Country] – DGM Country Project in [Country]

DGM Global – DGM Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange Project

DRC – Democratic Republic of the Congo

FIP – Forest Investment Program (of the Climate Investment Funds)

GEA – Global Executing Agency (of the DGM Global Project)

GSC – Global Steering Committee (of the DGM Program and Global Project)

IPs and LCs – Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

IPQTCs – Indigenous Peoples, Quilombolas, and Traditional Communities

IUCN – International Union for the Conservation of Nature

LCIPP – Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

NDC – Nationally Determined Contribution

NEA – National Executing Agency (of a DGM Country Project)

NGO – Non-governmental organization

NRM – Natural Resource Management

NSC – National Steering Committee (of a DGM Country Project)

PCL – Local Community Promoter

REDD+ – Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation

REPALEF – Network of Indigenous Populations for the Sustainable Management of Forest Ecosystems in the DRC

UNFCCC – United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

VIF – Financial Inclusion Window

VIS – Social Inclusion Window

WB – World Bank

WWF – World Wildlife Fund

DGM GOVERNANCE

The DGM's unique structure includes both a National Steering Committee (NSC) and a Global Steering Committee (GSC), which are the decision-making bodies for the DGM. Steering committees are led by Indigenous peoples and local community representatives and responsible for project guidance, governance, and oversight. Supporting these committees are the Global Executing Agency and National Executing Agencies, who manage administrative and fiduciary functions while grant-making decisions are made by the NSCs. Executing agencies conduct the project activities and priorities set by their steering committees while ensuring compliance with relevant standards and safeguards.

FACTS

159

IP and LC
representatives in 8
NSCs (33 women)

22%

of NSC voting members
are women 8 GSC
members (3 women)

37%

of GSC voting
members are
women



Bashiru Gambo
Gwan local community
of Kwame Danso, Ghana
(observer)



Bharati Pathak
Local Community Forestry
leader, Nepal (Alternating
Representation)



Gelje Lama Sherpa
Sherpa Indigenous
peoples, Nepal (Alternating
Representation)



Daniel Maúla Paquelua
Local Community in Zambezia
province, Mozambique



Grace Balawag
Non-FIP Country
Representative
(Philippines) Kankanaey
Indigenous peoples,
Philippines



Guy Moussele-Diseke
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Bakolous Indigenous
peoples, Republic of the
Congo



Idrissa Zeba Bissa
Local Community,
Burkina Faso (observer)



Jerber Roche Gonzalez
Coban local community
member, Alta Verapaz,
Guatemala



Kapupu Diwa
Mutimanwa Pygmy
Indigenous people,
Democratic Republic
of Congo



Lucely Morais Pio
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Quilombola of the Cedro
Community, Brazil



Manuel Aldrete
Ejidatario representative of
Noh-bec, Mexico



Mina Setra Dayak
Pompakng Indigenous
peoples, Indonesia
(observer)



Play Christophe Sare
Bakwé of the Krou
Indigenous people,
Cote d'Ivoire



Delphine Ahoussi
Malebi Association, Cote
d'Ivoire (Alternating
Representation)



Ruth Buendía
Mestoquiari Asháninka
Indigenous peoples, Peru



Marilen Puquio Arturo
Yanesha Indigenous
peoples, Peru (Alternating
Representation) (observer)

PROJECTS AT-A-GLANCE

Unique Design.

Projects financed under the DGM have an innovative design as they are built on direct engagement with Indigenous Peoples and local communities. IPs and LCs maintain a strong role in the governance of the project since they establish their own governance bodies, entirely composed of IP and LC representatives at the national and global level. It considers the specific needs, priorities, and perspectives of these communities, making it distinct from other funding mechanisms.

IP and LC Leadership.

The project was designed under the initiative of Indigenous Peoples (IPs) and Local Communities (LCs) and directly benefits them; IP and LC organizations are

at the heart of the program and benefit directly from the project results. The capacity-building component, in particular, was designed to follow a 'learning-by-doing approach' in the implementation of subprojects (or micro-projects)—the ownership by IPs and LCs that will lead to self-identified training activities, resolution by the communities of their own difficulties through GRMs (Grievance, and Redress Mechanisms), and participatory decision making is as important as the successful implementation of the subprojects.

Respect for IPs and LCs.

Consultations, selection of steering committee members, and NSC rules and regulations have been led by IPs and LCs in a manner that respects their cultural values, knowledge, ways of life, rights, and resources of the communities involved.

LOCAL ACTION. GLOBAL IMPACT

DGM MEXICO

National Executing Agency: Rainforest Alliance
Funding: US\$6.0 million
Implementation: October 2017 – August 2023
National Steering Committee: 15 voting members (9 men/6 women)

DGM GUATEMALA

National Executing Agency: Sotz'il Association
Funding: US\$ 4.5 million
Implementation: May 2021 – April 2026
National Steering Committee: 15 voting members (12 men/3 women)

DGM PERU (completed)

National Executing Agency: World Wildlife Fund (WWF) – Peru
Funding: US\$5.5 million
Implementation: November 2015 – June 2021
National Steering Committee: 10 voting members (8 men/2 women)

GLOBAL PROJECT

Global Executing Agency: Conservation International
Headquarters: Arlington, VA, USA
Funding: US\$5.0 million (Phase I), \$2.3 million (Phase II)
Implementation: April 2015 – June 2023
Global Steering Committee: 14 voting members (9 men/5 women)

DGM BRAZIL (phase 2)

National Executing Agency: Centro de Agricultura Alternativa do Norte de Minas (CAA-NM)
Funding: US\$6.0 million
Implementation: October 2017 – January 2022
National Steering Committee: 14 voting members (9 men/5 women)

DGM BURKINA FASO (Completed)

National Executing Agency: International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) – Burkina Faso
Funding: US\$4.5 million
Implementation: September 2015 – June 2021
National Steering Committee: 10 voting members (7 men/3 women)

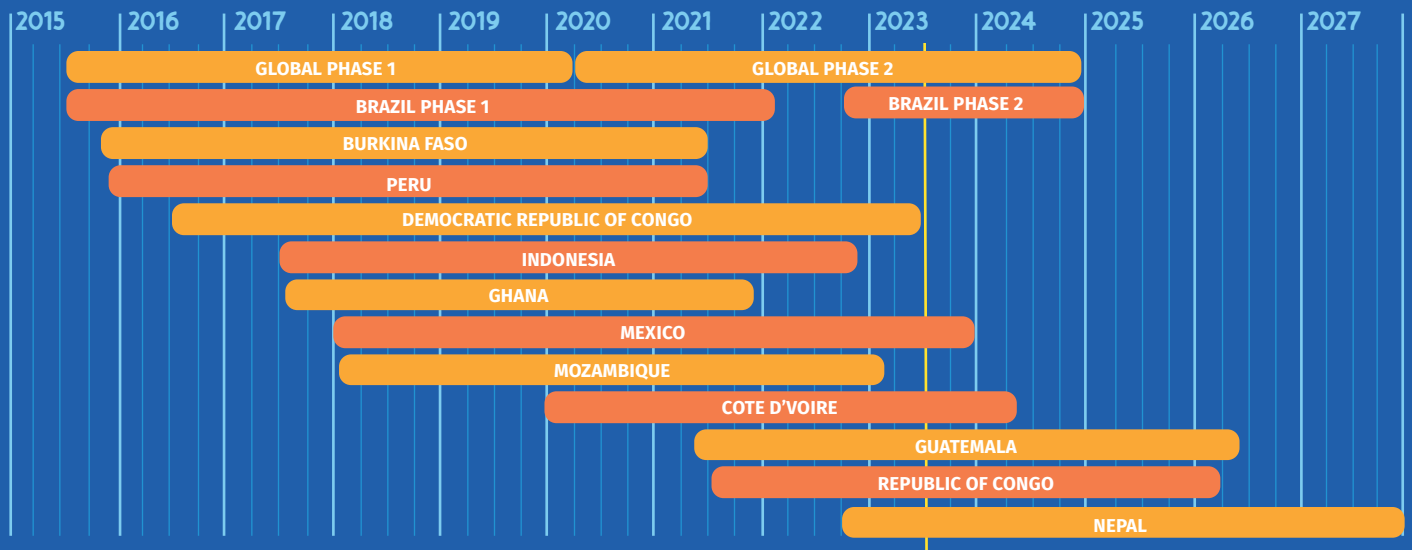
DGM COTE D'IVOIRE

National Executing Agency: CARE
Funding: US\$4.5 million
Implementation: January 2020 – April 2024
National Steering Committee: 8 voting members (8 men/0 women)

DGM GHANA (Completed)

National Executing Agency: Solidaridad West Africa
Funding: US\$5.5 million
Implementation: April 2017 – November 2021
National Steering Committee: 13 voting members (11 men/2 women)

PROJECT SCHEDULE



DGM REPUBLIC OF CONGO

National Executing Agency: CIPVIE- Caritas

Funding: US\$ 4.5 million

World Bank approval: July 2021 – March 2026

National Steering Committee: 17 voting members
(11 men/6 women)

DGM NEPAL

National Executing Agency: Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN)

Funding: US \$4.5 million

FIP Subcommittee approval: May 2021

National Steering Committee: 14 voting members
(10 men/4 women)

DGM DRC

National Executing Agency: Caritas Congo

Funding: US\$6 million

Implementation: April 2016 – June 2023

National Steering Committee: 38 voting members
(34 men/4 women)

DGM MOZAMBIQUE

National Executing Agency: WWF Mozambique

Funding: US\$4.5 million

Implementation: February 2018 – February 2023

National Steering Committee: 17 voting members
(13 men/4 women)

DGM INDONESIA (Completed)

National Executing Agency: The Samdhana Institute

Funding: US \$6.5 million

Implementation: March 2017 – November 2022

National Steering Committee: 9 voting members
(5 men/4 women)

A group of indigenous young men standing in a line in a village setting. They are wearing headbands with feathers and have red body paint on their chests and arms. They are wearing shorts in various colors (blue, green, white). The background shows a traditional thatched-roof building.

COUNTRY PROJECTS



DGM BRAZIL

The Indigenous peoples in the Cerrado Biome comprise 83 different ethnic groups who speak different languages. They total about 140,000 peoples (approximately 16% of Brazil's Indigenous population). The Cerrado Biome also has 44 quilombola territories and is home to dozens of other traditional peoples and communities (geraizeiros, vazanteiros, chapadeiros, and fundo and fecho de posto, among others).

DGM Brazil supports activities aimed at enhancing the understanding of climate change adaptation issues by Indigenous Peoples, Quilombolas, and Traditional Communities (IPQTCs) from the Brazilian Cerrado Biome, as well as their use of climate-smart livelihoods and sustainable natural resource management practices, with a focus on women and youth. This project is currently in its second phase of implementation; the first phase spanned from 2015-2021.

The main networks that support the Cerrado's IPQTCs are MICQCB, CONAQ, Rede Cerrado, MOPIC, and APOINME. They are all represented in DGM Brazil's NSC. Sixty of all initiatives supported are Indigenous and 40% are quilombola communities and other traditional communities. In this phase, two calls for subprojects were launched: one to continue support for phase 1 initiatives and a second call to support new initiatives, 22 subprojects and 5 networks were selected to receive funding.



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NSC MEMBERS
(7 WOMEN)

27

SUBPROJECTS
(44% WOMEN-LED/
FOCUSED)

Total subproject proposals submitted **109**

Total subproject proposals awarded **27**

Total women-led/focused subproject proposals submitted **7**

Total women-led/focused subproject proposals awarded **12**





"I believe that these calls for proposals from DGM are very important, because they strengthen everyday initiatives in communities, as well as promoting what is most important to the community. Moreover, at a time when we are facing climate injustice, this project is very important, because it helps to **sustain traditional peoples' way of life**, giving new generations the opportunity to experience and learn about the incredible natural resources we have in our communities".

Laura Ferreira - Quilombola Community of Mato Grosso

COTE D'IVOIRE

In Cote d'Ivoire the DGM supports forest-dependent local communities (approximately 344,800 people) in the Center region and South-west region. The DGM aims to enhance the capacity of local communities to participate in REDD+ programs and to utilize integrated landscape management more broadly – and to strengthen their role at local, national, and global levels.

DGM Cote d'Ivoire received 10,480 funding proposals, of which 170 were selected and awarded as community or individual subgrants. Of the 170 IP and LC-led initiatives, 31% are women-led/focused. These initiatives support food crop production, agroforestry, livestock farming, goods and services, and reforestation efforts. To strengthen community member capacities, 7 training courses were held on agroforestry techniques, tree planting, and agropastoral techniques for 468 people. Participants received training specifically on climate-smart farming and livestock techniques, grievance, and redress mechanisms (GRM), local radio stations and data collection tools.

Gender is cross-cutting in this project, where various strategies have been designed to promote women's participation and access to funds. Two main criteria were created for selecting women-led/focused initiatives: projects submitted by women receive specific attention and do not require the same level of land ownership, secondly it is a priority to ensure the participation of women in all projects considered for funding.



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NSC MEMBERS

170

APPROVED
MICROPROJECTS
(31% WOMEN-LED/
FOCUSED)

2,757

BENEFICIARIES

Total subproject proposals submitted **10,480**

Total subproject proposals awarded **170**

Total women-led/focused subproject proposals submitted **7,105**

Total women-led/focused subproject proposals awarded **53**





PROJECT HIGHLIGHT



The Djidoubaye Group in the Cavally region is located 15 kilometers from the Goin Debe classified forest and is made up of 15 members including 6 women. This group received \$17,000 USD of DGM funding to raise African chickens, cultivate rice, corn, cassava, and other produce. They began the project with 50 chickens and now have 124 chicks. The group's secretary was a former poacher that gave up this illegal activity because of the funding received through this project.



For the latest updates, visit www.dgmglobal.org/cotedivoire.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO (DRC)

The DGM in the Democratic Republic of Congo supports IPs and LCs' participation in REDD+ and land use management at the local and national levels. The project focuses on improving traditional livelihood for IPs and LCs through supporting community-based sustainable forest and land management initiatives. By way of these initiatives, DGM helps communities attain formal recognition of their traditional land rights and finances natural resource management activities.

These microgrants will help diversify socioeconomic activities and pilot community-managed forests. DGM supports IPs and LCs in 16 targeted territories in the Mai-Ndombe, Tshopo, Ituri, Kasai Oriental, Sankuru, Kabinda, Lulua, and Kasai provinces.

DGM DRC has made significant strides since its inception with 12,632 (29% women) IPs and LCs directly benefitting from the project through subprojects and/or trainings and 48 IP and LC organizations have received training on development of subprojects. In addition, a total of 28,880 people (7,996 women) in forest and adjacent communities have benefitted from community-forest management through the DGM and a total of 20 subprojects (2 women-led/focused) have been financed.

The DGM was designed to supplement national advocacy toward stronger recognition and promotion of IPs rights and has resulted in establishing a local community forest concession of 40 507,552 ha. Securing the rights of IPs and supported basic education skills for more than 4,078 IPs and LCs including 2,565 women in 76 literacy centers in 19 territories. Most recently, the project supported the attainment of 4 perpetual titles for Local Community Forest Concessions covering 111,760 hectares for the Indigenous Pygmy peoples of the Batwa and Kadumba group in Mwaka territory. Over the course of seven years, the project planted 315,821 trees through microprojects.



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NSC MEMBERS
(4 WOMEN)

20

APPROVED SUBPROJECTS
(2 WOMEN-LED)

28,880

BENEFICIARIES
(28% WOMEN)

Total subproject
proposals awarded

20

Total women-led/
focused subproject
proposals awarded

2



PROJECT HIGHLIGHT



Caritas Development Isangi implemented a subproject titled “protection of forest cover through agroforestry, processing, and conservation of agricultural products in Yalonde and Yasamola villages in the Yahuma territory.” The subproject contributed greatly to the protection and restoration of forest cover in Yahuma territory and resulted in 23,340 trees planted, installation of 240 beehives, storage depot for products, acquisition of 3 maize-cassava mills, 192 tons of rice and 324 tons of corn products, and 2 local development committees with 120 trained members.



To learn more about DGM DRC, visit www.dgmglobal.org/drc and the project website, www.peuplesautochtones.cd.

GUATEMALA

The project To'onik Qawinaq: DGM Guatemala, aims to strengthen the capacity and benefits gained by IPs and LCs in their role of sustainable management of forests and natural resources through partnership with 3 key organizations: Guatemala's National Alliance of Community Forestry Organizations (ANOFCG); Guatemala's Indigenous Climate Change Roundtable (MICCG); and the National Network of PINPEP Beneficiary Communities (RNCBP).

Through investing in IPs and LCs' priorities, DGM Guatemala seeks to improve the enabling conditions for forest stewardship, facilitate their participation in relevant climate change or REDD+ dialogues, and support their forest-related productive and food security activities.

DGM Guatemala will directly benefit approximately 17,000 forest-dependent IPs and LCs through initiatives in cultural and sustainable forest management, productive activities, development of forest-products, and food security. Approximately 100,000 IPs and LCs will benefit indirectly through improved conditions for sustainable forest and natural resource management that results from enhanced IPs and LCs' participation in local, national, and international dialogues and processes related to FIP, REDD+, and climate change.

As a result of the impact of COVID-19 on communities, DGM Guatemala provided support to 30 organizations to strengthen food security and facilitate reforestation, forest protection and conservation activities. The project also launched calls for proposals to support 3 funding opportunities: existing livelihoods, new livelihoods, and the development of forest and cultural management plans, and participation and dialogue plans. Of the 25 projects submitted, 14 are currently awaiting no objection from the World Bank.



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NSC MEMBERS
(2 WOMEN)

14

SUBPROJECTS PENDING
NO OBJECTION

Total subproject proposals submitted

25

Total subproject proposals awarded

14





PROJECT HIGHLIGHT



The women that are part of the following subproject are from rural communities where their only access point is by water. They do not have individual or collective boats therefore their mobility is limited, and they are forced to pay for trips. Women come together and look for collective solutions to achieve their goal.

In the community of Ensenada Puntarenas, Livingston Izabal, there is a single mother who has been farming for years. She has been supported with a project to raise chickens, in the year 2021 she increased her production of hens and throughout the year she sold 250 hens at 125 each. Of course, she says that it has been hard work and expenses, but she emphasizes that it

has helped her economically and in the year 2022 she increased her production even more, selling 400 hens a year, given the economic advantage she is now in a reforestation project and planting fruit trees. Like her, there are other women who have managed to empower themselves with projects, even if funding and scope is limited. Livingston shares that she has obtained an economic benefit, and this also contributes to generating economic security and a livelihood. Support provided by DGM subprojects allows women to have and manage their own resources, which raises their self-esteem and ensures that women make decisions about food security and food sovereignty in their families.



For the latest updates, visit www.dgmglobal.org/guatemala.

MEXICO

The DGM in Mexico aims to strengthen the capacity of forest-dependent people to participate in local, national, and international REDD+ related processes. The project is implemented in the states of Jalisco, Oaxaca, and the Yucatan Peninsula (Campeche, Yucatan, and Quintana Roo) and specifically supports individuals and communities such as ejidatarios, comuneros, and avecindados, organizations of community producers and community forest and non-forest enterprises.

DGM Mexico finances the provision of subgrants and matching grants to IPs and LCs from eligible selected states and thematic areas and activities. Subprojects support IP and LC initiatives for conservation and integration of sustainable productive activities in forest landscape management activities related to (a) avoided deforestation and forest degradation through sustainable forest management, (b) protection of environmental services, (c) enhancement of carbon stocks in forest landscape, (d) agroforestry and sustainable use of timber and non-timber products, (e) low-carbon production systems in agriculture, and (f) strengthening of community forest and non-forest enterprises.

Two subgrant windows were created:

- Social inclusion subprojects window: small and innovative sub-grant proposals coming from but not limited to social priority and vulnerable groups including women, youth, and other non-land-tenure holders.
- Market-oriented and financial inclusion subprojects window: projects from producer organizations and community (forest and non-forest) enterprises funded with the goal of matching and leveraging resources, and to strengthen regional organization between communities, organizations, and enterprises (horizontal integration), as well as access to markets (vertical integration) and usage and quality of financial services.

DGM Mexico received a total of 720 subproject proposals in both the financial and social inclusion window calls for proposals, of which 587 were women-led. Of the 107 financial inclusion window (FIW) subproject proposals, 39 subprojects were awarded and 5% are women-led. Of the 613 social inclusion window (SIW) subproject proposals received, 49 subprojects were awarded of which 86% are women-led.



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NSC MEMBERS
(6 WOMEN)

532

PEOPLE TRAINED
(54% WOMEN)

88

SUBPROJECTS
(51% WOMEN-LED/
FOCUSED)

4.295

BENEFICIARIES
(1.413 WOMEN)

Total subproject
proposals submitted

720

Total subproject
proposals awarded

88

Total number of
women-led or
women-focused
subproject proposals
submitted

587

Total number of
women-led and
women-focused
subproject proposals
awarded.

45



PROJECT HIGHLIGHT



“Five years ago, our group had been looking for ways to participate in sustainable productive projects that could support employment and help income generation in our families, however, this had not been possible because we did not have experience in participating in productive projects and did not have enough information to be part of it. However, the dream of learning about the management of the Melipona Beecheii species (Melipona bee) was born when one of the members from our organization knew about the management of the Melipona bee and encouraged us to form a group that could work on the management of melipona bees. However, the issue is that we had no funding. Two years later we were invited to attend a meeting of artisans in Oxkutzcab where we learned about DGM Mexico’s Social Inclusion Window (VIS) call for proposals to support community groups for their participation in productive activities. From that moment on, we began receiving training and obtaining DGM funding. Three years after implementation, we are grateful for the support of DGM and the World Bank for helping us achieve this dream. Today we have a meliponario equipped for the management of melipona bees, 36 hives, with harvesting equipment and experience in the management of melipona bees and in the productive projects.”

- Giralti Verence Chuc Ku



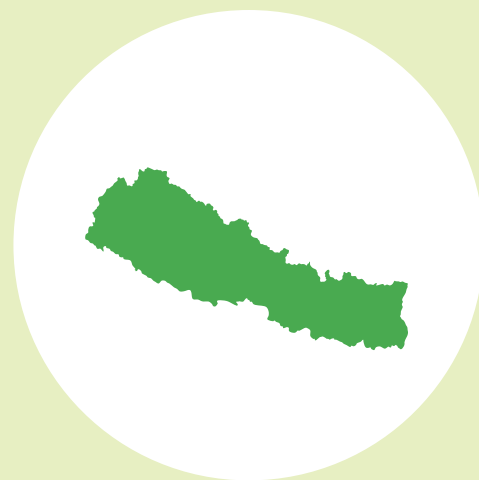
To learn more about DGM Mexico, visit the project website www.mde-mexico.org and page on the DGM Global site www.dgmglobal.org/mexico.

NEPAL

The DGM in Nepal aims to enhance the capacity of Nepal's indigenous peoples and local community groups including women, Dalits, Madhesis and other forest dependent group, for sustainable management of forests and increasing the income of forest-dependent communities in selected forest landscapes.

DGM Nepal will provide small grants to support sustainable forest management, small business development, support sustainable non-timber forest product harvesting and value addition. In addition, the project will provide training on proposal writing, sustainable forest management, business development, international policy in support of forests, and targeted training to NSC members.

DGM Nepal has made important progress in preparing project documents, engaging NSC members, GRM establishment, conducting trainings. The training and roundtable discussion focused on financial management, procurement, environmental and social adherence, gender and social inclusion, and geo-enabling for monitoring and supervision.



14

NSC MEMBERS
(4 WOMEN)





REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

The DGM in Republic of Congo aims to improve and finance livelihoods activities that provide traditional and sustainable natural resource management.

While promoting economic development and improving rural livelihoods, the project will look for practices that emphasize mitigation and adaptation to climate change and are consistent with the values of IPs and LCs. Overall, the project aims to benefit approximately 2,960 IPs and LCs and 50 NGOs and associations of IP and LC beneficiaries located in the 3 targeted departments (Sangha, Likouala, Plateaux) of Congo. The primary project beneficiaries include members of IPs and LCs who are dependent on natural resources and smallholder agricultural activities in the 3 departments and 15 districts or administrative communities.

17

NSC MEMBERS
(6 WOMEN)



For the latest updates on DGM Congo, please visit
www.dgmglobal.org/republic-of-congo.



GLOBAL LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE PROJECT

The objective of the DGM Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange (DGM Global) Project is to organize and facilitate knowledge exchange, learning and capacity building for IPs and LCs at regional and global levels, and to strengthen the networks and alliances of IP and LC organizations within and across regions with a view to enhancing their representation and voice in regional and global policy fora. DGM Global serves as an umbrella promoting both internal and external outreach, networking, and knowledge exchange between DGM activities in the FIP countries as well as other REDD+ countries, monitoring and learning as well as reporting on the program. In addition, through the Global platform IP and LC voices and participation in regional and global forums will be strengthened for learning and knowledge exchange through cross-regional learning events and strengthening of IP and LC networks and alliances. DGM Global also serves as a coordinating mechanism among the country projects for learning, monitoring, and reporting.

activities, participants received a total of 1,787 person-hours of capacity building. DGM Global coordinated with GSC members and NEAs to identify relevant training topics, participants, and learning objectives.

To support greater voice and role of IPs and LCs in international climate arena, DGM continues to be actively engaged in UNFCCC LCIPP (Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform). GSC members and other IP and LC partners have participated in 21 international climate and biodiversity events through the support of DGM Global. These included COP27 in Egypt and CBD COP15 in Montreal, and SBSTA 58 in Bonn, Germany. During COP27, DGM Global organized 6 official side events and supported the participation of 5 IPs and LCs including fellows in representation of youth.

13 CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES

255 IP & LC STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED (43% WOMEN)

DGM Global has organized a total of 13 capacity building activities and engaged 255 IP and LC (43% women) stakeholders in global and targeted knowledge exchange. These capacity-building activities and exchanges included a series of virtual trainings, knowledge-sharing sessions, a global exchange in Nepal, a global women's meeting in Nepal, and a targeted bilateral Brazil-Mozambique exchange, among others. During these



DGM Global also provides technical support to the Global Steering Committee, facilitating its operations. Activities are geared toward enabling the GSC to fulfil its role as the overall governing body of the DGM to provide oversight to the program. The GSC held its 8th annual GSC meeting in 2023 in Brasilia, Brazil alongside the FIP Trust Fund Committee meeting. During this meeting, 2 new co-chairs were elected: Lucely Pio from Brazil, and Moussele Diseke Guy from Republic of Congo. Sustainability and community ownership of DGM were key topics discussed in addition to the importance of gender equity and inclusion, primarily in leadership and decision-making of the DGM.



MOVING FORWARD

As the DGM enters a new phase of implementation after 8 successful years and over 900 indigenous and local community-designed and led initiatives, it's crucial to build on the positive momentum generated by the incredible effort of IPs and LCs, NEAs, GEA, WB, and other partners.



Since 2015, the DGM program has made, and continues to make, a profound impact on the lives of IPs and LCs in 12 countries across 3 regions.

As more funding commitments are made to IPs and LCs and there is a heightened interest to sustain and scale up the results to date, it is important to continue ensuring IP and LC leadership is at the core and moreover, that women's role in decision-making is prioritized. Communities are best equipped to identify their needs and priorities, and supporting their leadership ensures relevance and sustainability.

Maintaining strong IP and LC leadership and improving coordination among stakeholders is critical. Effective IP and LC leadership ensures that initiatives are aligned with community needs and priorities, while improved coordination will minimize duplication and maximize efficiency. This will be essential to ensure community ownership over projects and sustaining efforts in the long-term.

Overall, 2024 presents an exciting opportunity for continued positive impact as more projects reach peak implementation, seek and transition to other funding opportunities and CIF's Nature People Climate (NPC) Program begins to roll out. By learning from past experiences, maintaining community involvement, and adapting to evolving challenges, together we can further contribute to the well-being of IPs and LCs while addressing the planet's most pressing environmental and climate issues.

FINANCIALS

DGM Projects	Funding (millions USD)		Approval		Implementation period	
	Allocated	Approved	FIP	World Bank	Start	End
Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange	5.0	5.0	6/28/14	3/3/15	6/15/15	3/31/20
Phase 2 of the Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange	3.0	2.3	12/2019	7/24/20	4/1/20	12/31/22
Brazil	6.5	6.5	6/18/15	3/3/15	6/29/15	1/31/22 ²
Brazil (Phase 2)	0.93	0.93		11/21/22		11/30/24
Burkina Faso	4.5	4.5	6/18/15	9/16/15	10/13/15	6/30/21
Peru	5.5	5.5	5/21/15	9/11/15	11/26/15	6/25/21
Democratic Republic of the Congo	6.0	6.0	6/3/15	4/8/16	6/21/16	6/30/23
Indonesia	6.5	6.5	12/30/16	3/16/17	6/22/17	11/30/22 ³
Ghana	5.5	5.5	9/12/16	4/26/17	8/18/17	11/30/21
Mexico	6.0	6.0	5/22/17	9/15/17	12/21/17	12/31/23
Mozambique	4.5	4.5	8/22/16	12/5/17	2/1/18	2/28/23
Cote d'Ivoire	4.5	4.5	3/1/19 ⁴	1/20/20	8/28/20	4/30/24
Republic of the Congo	4.5	4.5	7/8/21	1/20/20	7/1/21	3/31/26
Nepal	4.5	4.5	5/24/21	N/A	N/A	N/A
Guatemala	4.5	4.5	12/16/20	5/7/21	5/7/21	4/30/26
Ecuador	4.5	0	Project canceled as of Jun. 2019			
Lao People's Democratic Republic	4.5	0	Project canceled as of Oct. 2017			
Total	80.9	71.2				

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All Subprojects/Microprojects (active and inactive)

	# of subprojects approved to date	Total (USD)	Average (USD)
Brazil	155	2,755,025	17,774
Burkina Faso	85	2,342,382	29,280
Cote d'Ivoire	170	1,806,851	10,628
Indonesia	63	3,440,060	54,604
Peru	98	3,945,269	40,258
Mexico	88	3,072,136	34,910
Ghana	219	2,650,055	12,500
DRC	20	1,635,626	81,781
Mozambique	17	1,310,797	87,386
Overall	915	22,958,201	25,090

All Subprojects/Microprojects (active)

	# of subprojects approved to date	Total (USD)	Average (USD)
Brazil	27	455,680	16,877
Cote d'Ivoire	170	1,806,851	10,628
Mexico	88	3,072,136	34,910
DRC	20	1,635,626	81,781
Mozambique	17	1,310,797	87,386
Overall	322	8,281,090	25,717

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