1. Organisational details

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2. Policy and Strategy

Stichting FPP works in collaboration with Forest Peoples Programme UK. Both organisations are equal and independent partners, but have shared objectives, vision, mission and strategic approach.
The Stichting’s objects, mission, vision and strategic approaches are as follows:

OBJECTS

The objects of the Stichting are:

to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of indigenous and local peoples and other disadvantaged communities anywhere in the world who depend on forests or other customary lands or waters for their livelihoods by enabling them to preserve, conserve and protect their environment and the prudent use of its resources, promoting human rights (as set out in the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights and subsequent United Nations and regional conventions and declarations), and by the relief of poverty and improvement of the conditions of life of those communities, as well as everything directly or indirectly connected with or conducive to the foregoing, all this in the broadest sense of the word.

OUR VISION

Forests are owned and controlled by forest peoples in ways that ensure sustainable livelihoods, equity and well-being based on respect for their rights, knowledge, culture and identities.

OUR MISSION

Forest Peoples Programme supports the rights of the peoples who live in forests and depend on them for their livelihoods. We work to create political space for forest peoples to secure their rights, control their lands and decide their futures.

OUR STRATEGIC APPROACHES to achieve this are:

− Secure the recognition of the rights of forest peoples in laws, policies and programmes.
− Support forest peoples to build their own capacities to claim and exercise their human rights.
− Counter top-down policies and projects that threaten the rights of forest peoples.
− Promote community-based sustainable forest management.
− Ensure equity, counter discrimination and promote gender justice.
− Inform NGO actions on forests in line with forest peoples’ visions.
− Link up indigenous and forest peoples’ movements at the regional and international levels.

Activities 2021-2022

Stichting Forest Peoples Programme anticipates working in at least two main geographical and/or thematic areas in 2021 and 2022: Cameroon,
and EU policy. It may also work in other countries and/or on other themes if appropriate opportunities and/or funding becomes available.

In Cameroon, the Stichting is mid-way through the implementation of a 3-year project, called Project Keta, funded by the European Union. This project focusses on supporting the emerging forest indigenous peoples’ platform, Gbabandi, as well as multiple Baka communities in the South and East Regions of Cameroon, in relation particularly to their effective participation and respect of their rights in natural resources management processes. The Keta project is due to finish in March 2022.

In relation to EU policy, from 1 July 2021 Stichting FPP will seek to facilitate indigenous and forest peoples to have their voices heard and rights respected in EU policy, through policy and advocacy work in the EU. This will include engagement with several coalitions working at EU level on (in particular) forest, biodiversity, trade, climate and foreign policy/international aid, with a specific focus on the integration of forest peoples’ rights (and human rights more broadly). The period 2021-2022 is likely to have a particular focus on legislative processes around deforestation and sustainable corporate governance.

Over the next several years, Stichting FPP also aims to develop further connections and collaborations with Dutch civil society organisations and academic institutions.