WORLD SUMMIT ON TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE RELATED TO BIODIVERSITY
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SPIRITUAL CEREMONY

Opening ceremony at La Maloca.

HIGH LEVEL SEGMENT

After the spiritual ceremony, the Ministry of Environment of Colombia, María Susana Muhamad González, gave the welcome remarks. A high-level segment followed, with Dolores Cabnal, Co-chair of the International Indigenous Forum on Climate Change, Isadora Bennet, Counsellor for Political Affairs of Sweden Ambassy in Colombia and Simon Herchen, Deputy Ambassador of Germany. Ramiro Batzin, co- president of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB) moderated the panel.

OPENING STATEMENTS

A high-level segment with presentations **on traditional knowledge and its contributions to biodiversity and addressing climate change**. The panelists presented a key message on the role of traditional knowledge and local actions by Indigenous Peoples and local communities in biodiversity conservation and restoration.

PANEL I

The high-level segment was followed by the first panel, on the new program of Work and Institutional arrangements for the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in the work undertaken under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

All the presentations were based on the recommendation WG8J-12/2.

The panel aimed to analyze the institutional arrangements under the CBD to work on the implementation of Article 8(J), including three options: a) a Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j), b) the integration of the work on article 8(j) into other CBD bodies, and c) the Continuing the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group

on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions with a revised mandate.

WORKING GROUP SESSIONS

Participants discussed the topic presented in the previous panel in four working groups, operated by [Chatham House Rule](#). Each working group was guided by co-facilitator and rapporteurs. Afterwards, the rapporteurs appointed by each group presented their views to the plenary.