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« Enhancing resilience in the face of global change: mobilizing local and indigenous knowledge” Conference

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In recent years, the importance of indigenous knowledge in adaptation planning and policy has been increasingly emphasized in key climate change discussions, most notably in the 5th Assessment Report of the IPCC. This year at the UNFCCC COP-23, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice will take up the issue of operationalizing a platform for indigenous peoples and local communities.

Ahead of COP, the UNESCO Local and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (LINKS) programme is inviting key expert partners and institutions to share their own successes and lessons learned in mobilizing local and indigenous knowledge for climate change. It aims to facilitate transdisciplinary, multi-stakeholder knowledge platforms and climate change observing systems in key climate-vulnerable regions and create synergies with existing initiatives.

The outcomes of this meeting will feed into LINKS priority activities within the framework of the programme’s strategy on climate change and indigenous knowledge, and provide support to the UNFCCC (United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change) platform discussions.