Pastoralist Knowledge Hub

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Pastoralists worldwide demand recognition

A series of global gatherings
Segovia (Spain 2007), the Global Gathering of Women Pastoralists in Mera (Gujarat, India, 2010) and Kiserian (Kenya, 2013).

World Alliance of Mobile Indigenous Peoples (WAMIP)

The outcomes
- Greater interest in pastoralist representation,
- Spaces reserved in different international forums such as CFS, UNFPII, the UNEP general assembly, IFAD's Forum for Indigenous Peoples or several consultations at FAO
Increasing recognition for pastoralism

“Combating desertification, land degradation and drought and promoting sustainable pastoralism and rangelands”

Resolution of the United Nations Environment Assembly

Nairobi, 23–27 May 2016
Common challenges worldwide

- Disruption of migration routes
- Loss of or exclusion from rangeland and access to water
- Bad access to public, health and education facilities
- Often misunderstood and marginalized
- Excluded from political dialogue
Pastoralism has many benefits

- Important providers of meat, milk, skins and hides
- Produces food where no rain-fed crops can grow
- Pastoral products and value chains benefit other communities
- Rich legacy of traditional knowledge and culture

Livestock grazing provides eco-system services

- Habitat provisioning
- Nutrient cycling
- Control of bush encroachment
- Preserving biodiversity
Pastoralism worldwide

Global rangelands and livestock production

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Objectives of the Hub

The Hub aims to be a facilitating mechanism

• bringing together pastoralist networks and organizations working with them
• promoting cooperation and coordination
• to enhance pastoral development and pastoralist-friendly policy interventions
Partners

All major organizations in pastoralism involved

• Search and find pastoral networks through the Hub
• Showcase their work on pastoralism
• Consult pastoral networks for pastoralist-friendly interventions and practices
• Engage pastoralist representatives in political decision-making processes and conferences
Pastoralist networks

- Seven regional networks are being established
- Developing a mechanism – transparent, inclusive and democratic – for pastoralists to nominate their own representatives at global forums
- Hub coordinates opportunities for policy dialogue
European pastoralist gathering
Koblenz, Germany – 26-28 June 2015
Examples for policy dialogue opportunities

Africa Regional Conference FAO
• 4th -5th April 2016 > Abidjan, Ivory Coast

LEAP Steering Committee
• 14th -15th April 2016 > Rome

United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEA-2)
• 23-27 May 2016 > Nairobi, Kenya

Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock
• 22-24 June 2016 > Panama

IRC-International Rangelands Congress
• July 16-22, 2016 > Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

Committee on World Food Security (CFS)
• Next plenary in October
Knowledge repository

- A database that classifies and provides access to literature on pastoralism
- Technical documents, videos, policies and legislation...
Forum

Communication tool
• for pastoralists, their networks and partnering organizations
• Using d groups (an email based discussion tool)

You can
• share news, events and experiences
• consult pastoralist networks and organizations
• discuss pastoral concerns and organize participation in policy dialogue
Technical activities

Self-evaluation and Holistic Assessment of climate Resilience of farmers and Pastoralists (SHARP)

• tablet application to better understand the concerns and interests of family farmers and pastoralists relating to climate resilience.
• Pastoral Farmers Scholl approach

Modelling livestock mobility patterns, feed ratios and breed distribution with the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM)
Current status

• Consolidation of ongoing mapping of pastoralist organizations
• Feeding the knowledge repository and improving communication tools.
• Arranging further policy dialogue opportunities for pastoral CSO
• Accompanying WAMIP reform and reinforce process
• Strengthening of collaboration of the Hub’s partners-New Partners (ILC, ILRI..)
• Developing pastoralist knowledge and technical tools
• Supporting regional organizations through CSO based project proposals
• Review trans boundary livestock movements regulations (IUCN)
Improving Governance of Pastoral Lands

Implementing the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security

VGGTs – Technical Guide on Governance of Tenure in Pastoral Rangelands
- Technical Guide on Commons

**STRENGTHEN CAPABILITIES**
- Collaborative learning
- Avoiding and managing conflict
- Strengthen the capability of local organizations and the institutional space in which they operate.

**DEVELOP RESPECT & RECOGNITION**
- Recognize customary systems and strengthen synergies with statutory systems
- Recognize local knowledge to ensure cultural and ecological diversity for resilience

**IMPROVE DECISION MAKING**
- Guide decision-making and reach agreement over specific pastoral tenure solutions
- Ensure inclusive equitable & transparent participation in consultations and negotiations
Future Desirable Initiatives

• International Year of rangelands and pastoralist (2021)
• International conference on Pastoralism (2017)-Segovia +10
• Side event on migration-stability-food security and pastoralism CFS-October 2016
Thank you for your attention

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