



# Green Livelihood Alliance (GLA2) Forests for a Just Future - Northern Mindanao Landscape

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## PROJECT PROFILE 2022

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## Project Description

The Green Livelihood Alliance (GLA-2) is part of the “Power of Voices” programme of the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The GLA is coordinated by the IUCN National Committee of the Netherlands (IUCN-NL). The ultimate goal of the GLA is that tropical forests and forest landscapes are sustainably and inclusively governed to mitigate and adapt to climate change, fulfill human rights and safeguard local livelihoods. GLA-2 Forests for a Just Future works in three tracks: Indigenous peoples and local communities, civic space and drivers of deforestation. The GLA programme seeks to support IPLCs in their efforts to sustainably govern large parts of the remaining forests on the planet. It aims to achieve that governments and agro-commodity, extractives, energy and infrastructure sectors no longer drive deforestation and address citizen’s concerns to protect forests and human rights. Lastly, recognizing that human rights defenders working on the protection of forests and forested landscapes have increasingly experienced oppression, it aims for citizens to enjoy human and women’s rights and safely participate in social movements. Samdhana is one of the country partners of GLA-2<sup>1</sup> in the Philippines.

## Project objectives:

The project wants to strategically address those issues following the three pathways of the GLA 2 programme. Specifically, the project objectives are:

- To help build capacities of two Indigenous communities in asserting their rights, through strengthening of their Indigenous Political Structure and supporting the CADT application process;
- To build capacities of indigenous women and youth in the two Indigenous communities to increase their roles in indigenous governance and ancestral domain sustainable forest/ ecosystem management; and
- To increase safe spaces for participation and environmental policy lobbying by supporting more IP participation, especially of women, in networking with local CSOs and key stakeholders in the landscape, and influencing the agenda for protection of EHRDs.

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<sup>1</sup> Green Livelihood Alliance (GLA-2) members are: Fern, Gaia Amazonas, IUCN-NL, Milieudefensie, Non Timber Forest Products – Exchange Program (NTFP-EP), Sustainable Development Institute, Tropenbos International and Women Engage for a Common Future (WECF) International.



### Partners we work with

- MAECATE Higaonon Ancestral Domain
- Capihan Higaonon Ancestral Domain
- STR3AMS Coalition
- Cagayan de Oro Riverbasin Management Council (CDORBMC)
- GLA partners in Northern Mindanao landscape: Kitanglad Integrated NGOs (KIN) and Non Timber Forest Product – Exchange Program (NTFP-EP)

### Project period

1 Jan 2021 - 30 Dec 2025

### Donor Partner

IUCN Netherlands

### Target outputs:

- Indigenous communities, IP women and youth actively participate in landscape decision-making processes;
- Indigenous communities, IP women and youth enforce conservation, protection and production zones within sustainable forest/ ecosystem management;
- Indigenous communities, IP women and youth assert their rights to Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC), social acceptability, and access to justice, vis-à-vis government and private business projects;
- Civil society organizations (CSOs) and IPLCs push for the rights of Environmental and Human Rights Defenders (EHRDs), including women rights defenders, and the passage of laws and ordinances that protect them; and push for the passage
- IPLCs, women and youth, and their coalitions/ alliances effectively lobby for new policies that will reduce risks and threats to Environmental/ Women HRDs

### Project Site/Area of Implementation

Municipality of Baungon and municipality of Libona in Bukidnon Province, Philippines