

INNOVATIVE CLIMATE SOLUTIONS WINNERS OF THE EQUATOR PRIZE 2019

The [22 winners of the 10th Equator Prize](#) have been honored at the Award Ceremony held on September 24, 2019, at the Town Hall theatre in New York, featuring celebrities, government and UN officials, civil society, and the media.

The winners were selected from a pool of 847 nominations across 127 countries by an independent Technical Advisory Committee of internationally renowned experts.

The winners are indigenous communities and organizations from across the world which showcase innovative, nature-based solutions for tackling climate change, environment, and poverty challenges. During the Award Ceremony the UNDP Administrator stated that...*Every day, thousands of local communities and indigenous peoples around the world are quietly implementing innovative nature-based solutions to mitigate and adapt to climate change. The Equator Prize is both a recognition of their exceptional ideas and a way to showcase the power of people and grassroots communities to bring about real change.*

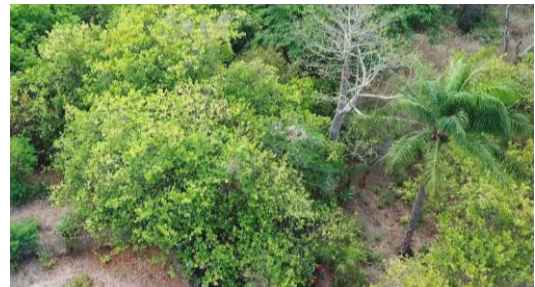
The winners of the 10th Equator Prize are based in Australia, Benin, Brazil, Cameroon, Ecuador, Guinea-Bissau, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Micronesia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Tanzania, United States and Vanuatu.

[The Equator Initiative website presents the summaries on each of the Equator Prize 2019 winners.](#)

The Equator Initiative brings together the United Nations, governments, civil society, businesses and grassroots organizations to recognize and advance local sustainable development solutions for people, nature and resilient communities. In particular, the Equator Initiative seeks to:

- Recognize the success of local and indigenous initiatives.
- Create opportunities and platforms to share knowledge and good practice.
- Inform policy to foster an enabling environment for local and indigenous community action.
- Develop the capacity of local and indigenous initiatives to scale-up their impact.

The Equator Prize, organized by the Equator Initiative within the [United Nations Development Programme](#), is awarded biennially to recognize outstanding community efforts to reduce poverty through the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. These sustainable community initiatives are



laying the foundation for a global movement of local successes that are collectively making a contribution to achieving the [Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#). As local and indigenous groups across the tropics demonstrate and exemplify sustainable development, the Equator Prize shines a spotlight on their efforts by celebrating them on an international stage.

Partners of the Equator Initiative include the governments of Germany, Norway, and Sweden, as well as Conservation International, the Convention on Biological Diversity, EcoAgriculture Partners, Fordham University, the International Union for Conservation of Nature, The Nature Conservancy, PCI Media Impact, Rainforest Foundation Norway, Rare, UN Environment, UNDP, UN Foundation, USAID, WWF, and the Wildlife Conservation Society.

The winners of the 2019 edition of the r Prize will join the network of more than 500 communities that have received the Equator Prize since its inception in 2002. The Equator Initiative website presents [all the communities winners of the Equator Prize](#).

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