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TAKING THE RIGHT TO REPARATIONS TO THE UNFCCC

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SB64 - Reparations Workshop

The SB64 Reparations Workshop took place on June 10th 2026 at the side lines of the UNFCCC climate negotiations. This was the third year that the Reparations Workshop is hosted at the SB and during the COP.

At the SB64 Reparations Workshop participants met at the Climate Event Hub organized by SLYCAN Trust in Bonn, Germany. In this workshop, we addressed what did reparations for loss and damage meant for each participant according to their context, political perspective and lived experiences. This open dialogue was very important to acknowledge the different nuances that a intersections, context oriented and human rights based understanding of climate reparations can have.

Collective efforts

The workshop focused on exploring what has been the work of different organizations on climate reparations. This excersice collected different examples of actions that organization have already being implementing at different levels. It serces to illustrate that loss and damage reparations is a priority for civil society and that despite the governance obstacles that this issue presents, there is already robust innitiatives taking place

The workshop identified actions under the categories of research, art and culture, education, civil demostrations and others.

Research
Policy brief on Ecosystem Restoration
Breifings ahead of UNFCCC meeting calls on loss and damages and reparations
Survey on non-economic loss and damage
Loss and damage registry
Mainstreaming a public narrative on polluter and addressing impacts on identity and culture
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Collective efforts

Research
Submission to African Court Advisory Opinion on climate change including request for opinion on obligations for reparations.
Study on how civil society advances in counter discourses on loss and damage in the UNFCCC.
Loss and Damage Community Studies
Submission to OHCHR calls and Special Proceedures.

Others
Loss and damage data gathering app.
AI Chat box for loss and damage data gathering
Children books on International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion that addresses climate reparations.
Webinars series on Liberation and Reparations (online and open to anyone)
Amplification of messaging to support defenders who are demanding reparations
Support demands for climate reparations from the Santa Marta (First International Conference on Transitioning Away from Fossil Fuels)
Children games for socio-physicologia support due to loss and damage and climate anxiety for vulnerable coastal communities.

Collective efforts

Art amd Culture
Political Illustrations on loss and damage reparations
Raise awareness amoing faith communities on LD

Education
Community workshops on reparations for loss and damage
Animated videos on loss and damage reparations
Narrative shaping to influence perspective in whealthy, high polluting countries
Toolkit on climate finance including reference to need for funding to address loss and damage

Civil Demostrations
Joint Complains to the Special Rapporteur against carbon majors in Geneva
Campaign on Just Transition with our national sections including calls for reparations and fit for purpose and funded Fund to Respond to Loss and Damage

Steps Forward

Loss and damage in the SB64 negotiation was marginally addressed on some agenda items. However, there was not a substantial discussion on loss and damage by parties. due to the lack of standalone agenda item. The few existing UNFCCC processes that deal with loss and damage did not have a key role during the conference.

It is important to recognize that loss and damage governance is not addressed integrally by existing processes such as the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Santiago or the Fund to Respond to Loss and Damage. The International Court of Justice made it clear that the primary legal obligation of States is to prevent harm. Once harm has been caused people to have the right to demand reparations.

The existing mechanism of the UNFCCC to respond to loss and damage are not built to provide integral reparations or for cessation of harm, no repetition or satisfaction to communities injured. Furthermore, existing UNFCCC responses are deficient in many aspects including not being designed to protect human rights, being voluntary, and having marginal non scale appropriate and donation based financial resources.

To address this governance challenges the reparations workshop was complemented by a second session on Joint Engagement Strategies on Loss and Damage Reparations. This session took place on June 14th in Bonn Germany. The participants of these workshop propose a series of strategic actions to lead the way forward in the implementation of legal obligations and enabling the right to climate reparations.