

**ASIA-PACIFIC
TRANSITION MINERAL
ACCOUNTABILITY
WORKING GROUP
OUTLOOK
(2022-2026)**



ABOUT US

The **Asia Pacific-Transition Mineral Accountability Working Group (AP-TMA WG)**, unites civil society leaders from Australia, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines and across the region to confront critical challenges at the intersection of mining accountability, climate justice, and energy transitions.

The AP-TMA WG is dedicated to safeguarding the rights of local and Indigenous communities affected by the extractive sector, navigating complex energy transition governance issues, and ensuring transparency and accountability across the green energy and technology supply chain.



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ASIA-PACIFIC OVERVIEW

Host to 1/4th of the world's mineral resources, including 54.6% of nickel

6/10 countries most affected by climate-induced natural disasters located in the Asia Pacific

69% of energy transition minerals are located in Indigenous and peasant peoples' lands

70% of global Indigenous peoples live in the Asia Pacific

Large deposits of nickel and rare earths are located in nations with high rates of corruption

Transition mineral rich nations are the deadliest places in the world to be a land defender and activist, with mining being the most dangerous sector

“Our vision is ensuring affected communities and ecosystems throughout the transition mineral supply chain are protected, empowered, and benefit from shared prosperity and inheritance.”

Objective I: Good Governance

Improve mineral governance and accountability in the region to ensure that Asia-Pacific mining countries, especially marginalized and climate-vulnerable host communities, are the primary beneficiaries of transition mineral development.

Activities include:

- Develop monitoring and accountability tools which map bilateral and multilateral agreements for transition minerals and identifies diversion of funds for non-decarbonization industries such as defence and its association with global tensions.
- Create a regional portfolio of strategic communications and knowledge mobilization initiatives around national campaigns for transition mineral accountability



Objective II: Community Protection & Rights Empowerment

Maximize social security nets and safeguards for mining host communities affected by the mineral boom under the energy transition

Strengthen opportunities for community voices, needs, demands and issues to be empowered and prioritized within climate negotiations.

Activities include:

- Community-based research on transition mineral value chains
- Social media tool kit promoting people-centred justice in the energy transition
- Foster opportunities for community participation in JET decision-making

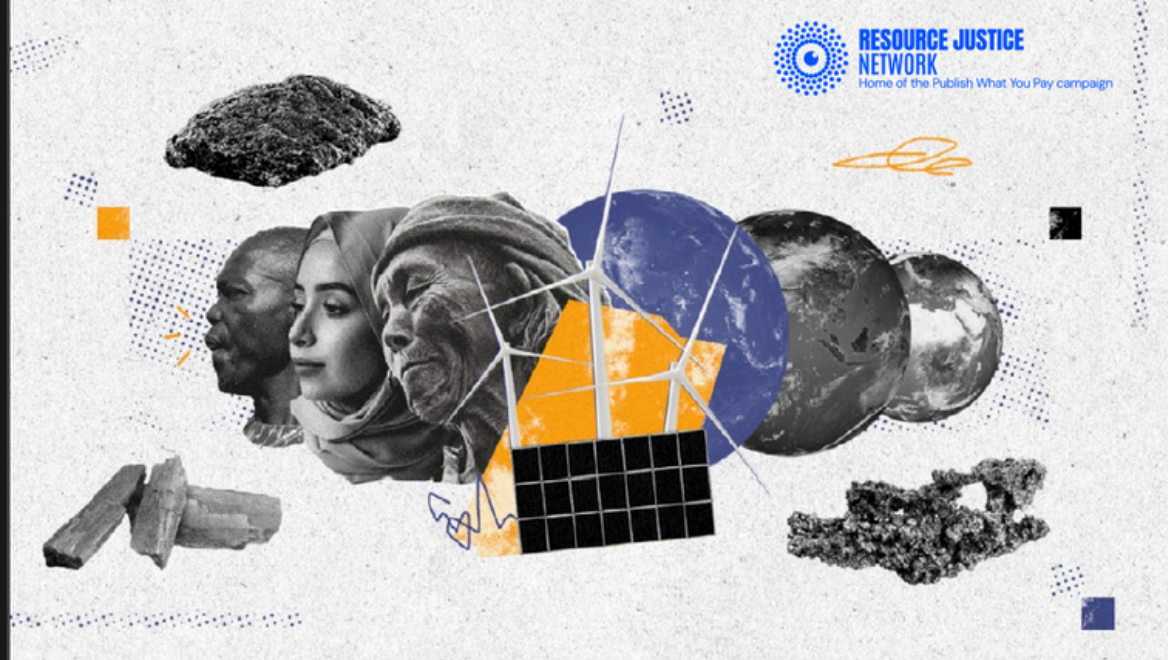


AP-TMA Outlook

2023: Establishing the Foundations

- APTMA WG formally established, co-developed a Memorandum of Agreement for our shared goals for the coalition
- Developed 7 National Advocacy Plans on energy transitions
- Undertook preliminary rapid assessments across all member states to develop shared understanding the landscape of national transition mineral governance
- Launched the regional campaign and advocacy plan:
 - ➤ “Championing People- and Planet-Centered Climate Justice in the Just Energy Transition.”
- Joined the Asia Pacific Climate Week In Johor Bahru, Malaysia as first AP-TMA WG event In person





CHAMPIONING PEOPLE & PLANET CENTRED CLIMATE JUSTICE IN THE JUST ENERGY TRANSITION

ASIA PACIFIC TRANSITION MINERAL ACCOUNTABILITY WORKING GROUP REGIONAL ADVOCACY PLAN

INTRODUCTION

The global push for decarbonization under the Paris Agreements has led to skyrocketing demands for transition minerals necessary to manufacture low-carbon technologies. To meet the demand, mineral licences are being fast-tracked within fragile, high-risk areas across the Asia Pacific. The mining sector remains a leading polluter, with the industry responsible for 8 to 28 percent of global GHG emissions. **The Paris Agreements must be implemented alongside mineral governance that is underpinned by principles of climate justice and equity throughout the green technology supply chain.**

The Asia Pacific is host to one-fourth of the world's mineral resources. The region produces 54.6% of nickel and 60 percent of global rare earth metal reserves, which are fundamental for the production of electric vehicles and green technologies. However, countries in the Asia Pacific remain climate-vulnerable and corruption-prone. Six of the ten countries most affected by climate-induced natural disasters are in the Asia-Pacific. Moreover, sixty-nine percent of energy transition minerals are located within Indigenous and peasant peoples' lands, with seventy percent of global Indigenous peoples living in the Asia Pacific. Much of the world's transition minerals are also found in corruption-prone jurisdictions with shrinking civic spaces.

ASIA PACIFIC-TRANSITION MINERAL ACCOUNTABILITY WORKING GROUP (AP-TMA) REGIONAL ADVOCACY PORTFOLIO



THE AP-TMA LIVING PROTOCOL FOR ETHICAL ENGAGEMENT WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FORA

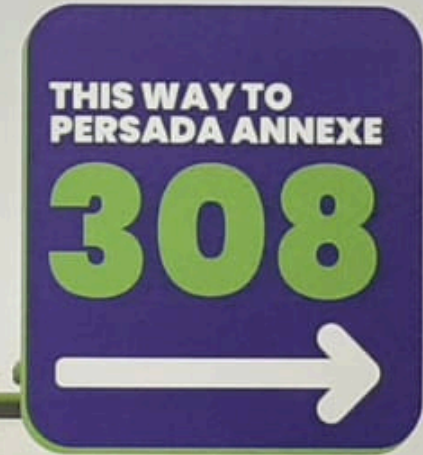
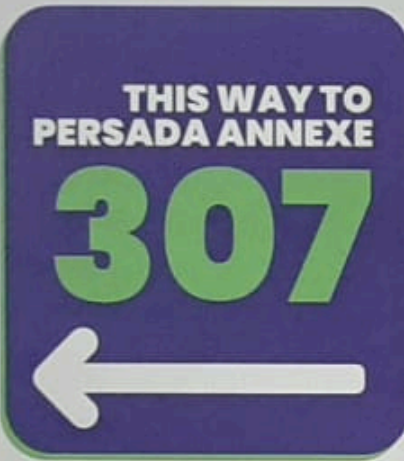
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ASIA-PACIFIC CLIMATE WEEK

JOHOR BAHRU 2023



2024-2025: Deepening Advocacy and Regional Recognition

- Co-organized the 2024 Just Energy Transition Dialogue & high-level panels at the UN Business & Human Rights Forum, empowering frontline IP community members to join UN decision-making processes
- Supporting CSO efforts to advance the UNSG Panel on Critical Energy Transition Minerals (CETM).
- Leading the Asia-Pacific consultation for the UN SR's thematic report on human rights in renewable energy and critical mineral supply chains.
- Developed a Living Protocol on Ethical Engagement with IPLCs in National & International Fora to strengthen participation, empowerment and protection in global fora.
- Co-organizing the 2025 UN Environment and Human Rights Defender Forum, amplifying Asia-Pacific voices for rights-based transition mineral governance.
- Supported the Asia Pacific CSO Convening In Manila funded by NREGI, WB, RJN and organized by Bantay Kita
- Began engagements related to Chinese mining due diligence with the CCCMC
- Led the on-the-ground minerals coordination at COP30 In Brazil and pushed transition mineral justice campaign with 100+ signatures on joint letter
- Joined UNEA-7 In Nairobi to push for minerals text recognition





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2025 可持续矿产供应链国际论坛

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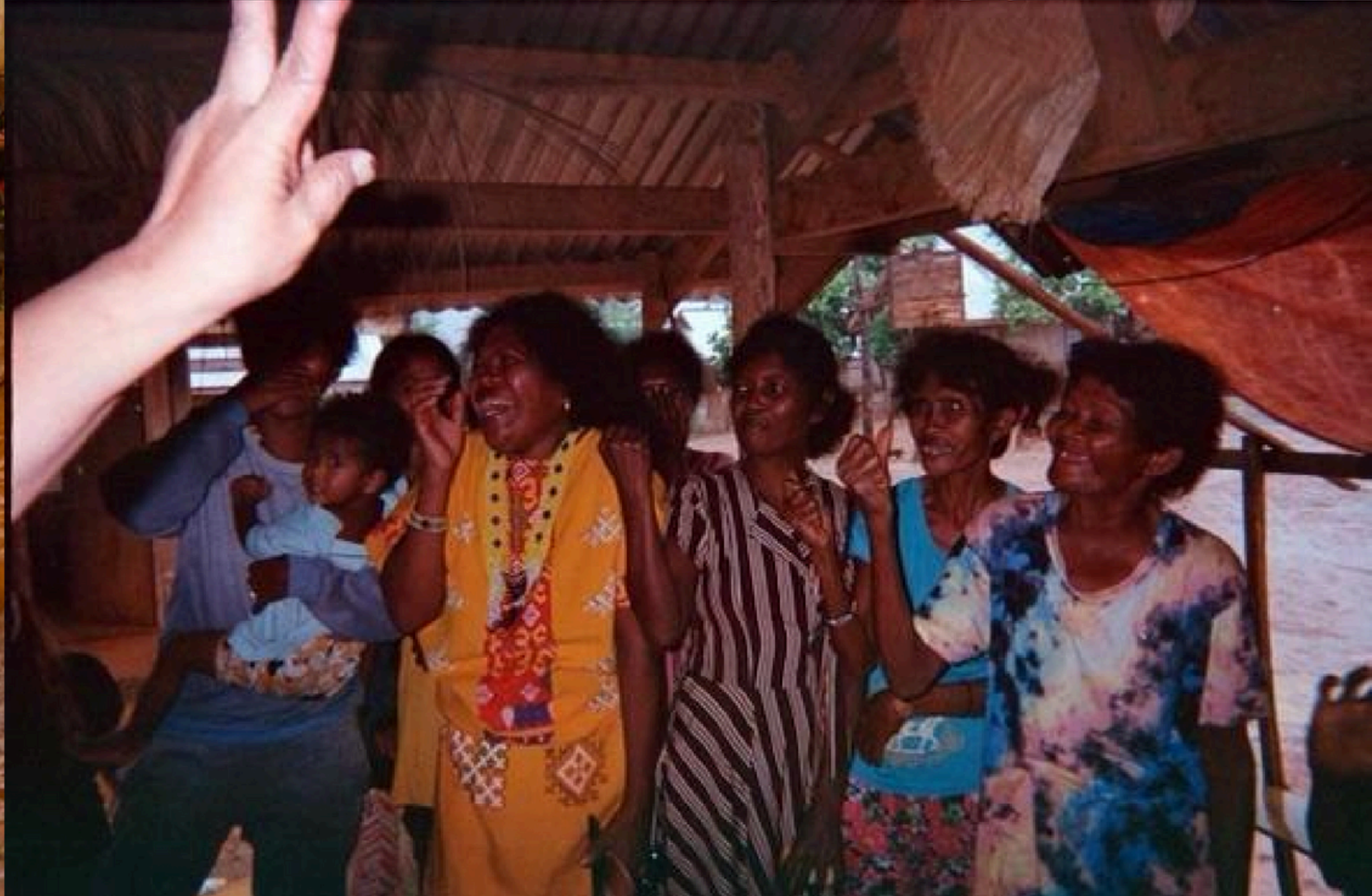




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REGIONAL CONVENING 2025
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AP-TMA WG Outlook

2026 & Beyond: From Regional Leadership to Global Impact

- Equipping and empowering frontline local and Indigenous communities with the knowledge and tools to assert their rights, defend their lands, and shape mineral governance.
- Strengthen efforts to engage with Chinese mining accountability and due diligence
- COP 31 (Turkey/Australia), ASEAN & EITI are critical opportunities to ensure minerals are recognized as both a material and justice issue for communities, climate action, and ecosystems.
- Collaborate with Just Minerals Africa and the LAC Working Group to deepen cross-regional solidarity and drive joint campaigns for strong transition-mineral governance and accountability within the UNFCCC and other decision making bodies





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Tagio tumas!
Obrigadu!
tenk yu tru(e)!
terima kasih!
Xièxiè!
Tangkiu!
dhanyavaad!
kyeizu tin ba deh!
magsukul!
daghang salamat!
Thank You!

