

GLOBAL ALLIANCE OF TERRITORIAL COMMUNITIES

OUR GOVERNANCE



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Alianza
Mesoamericana
de Pueblos y Bosques
Mesoamerican Alliance of People and Forests



WHO WE ARE

We are a political platform of indigenous peoples' organizations and local communities united in the struggle for the defence of Mother Earth for the present and future benefit of all humanity. Thanks to democratic processes, ranging from the community to the plurinational level, we guarantee our legitimacy and representativeness.

The Numbers



24

countries covered
by GATC work's



5

demands that
unite us

8

Years joint
defense of Mother
Earth



5

organizations that
make the GATC

958+
million
hectares of
protected land

OUR PROCESS



LONDON 2022

We recognised a need to restructure our governance process to reflect the growth of the GATC and the shifting political scenario. We eliminated the Global Coordinator positions and established a political council.



TRANSITION PERIOD

For three months we worked on defining our internal governance .



GENEVA 2022

We revisited our mission and vision, through an introspection process. We defined a new political structure, establishing two new co-chairs. We also defined our agenda and how our relationships with allies will move forward.



VISION

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MISSION

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STRUCTURE / SPOKESMANSHIP

The Global Alliance of Territorial Communities leadership council is created, defining **two co-chairs** who will have equal spokespersonship (2 leaders from different organisations). These spokespersons will be **elected for a period of 2 years**, alternating between the organisations. The first two organisations to take over are AMPB and AMAN.



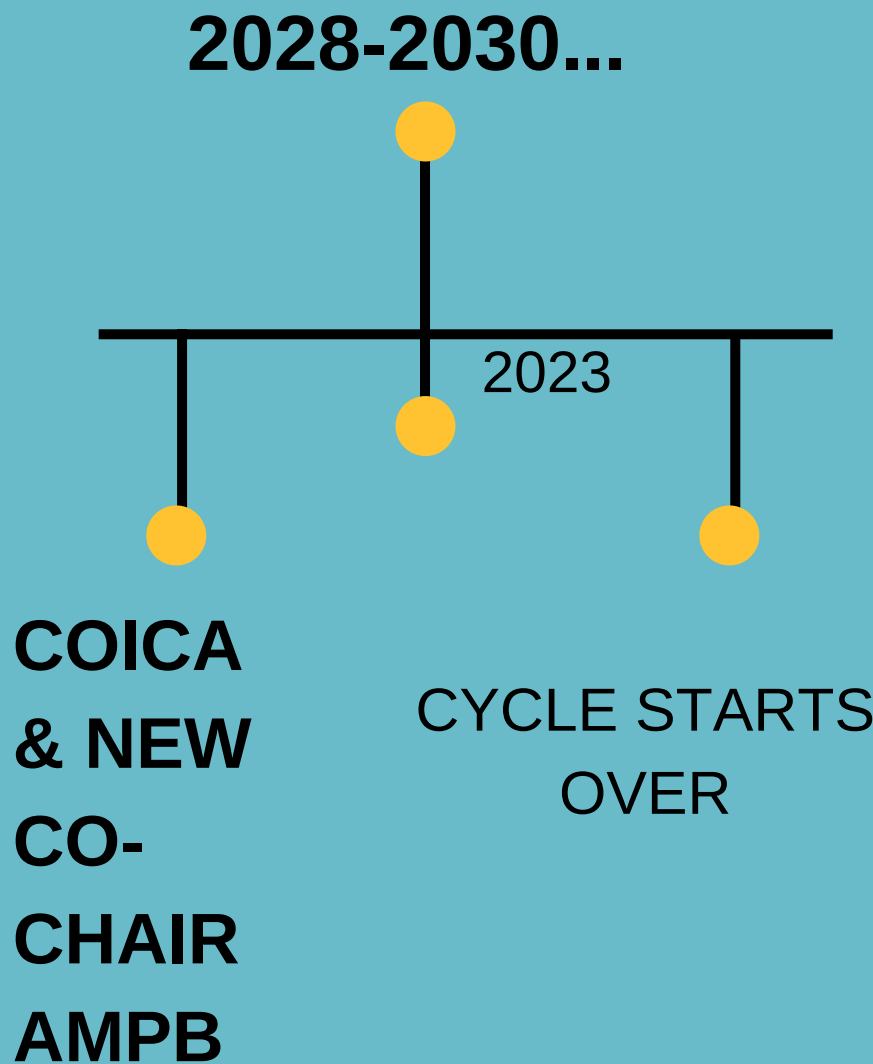
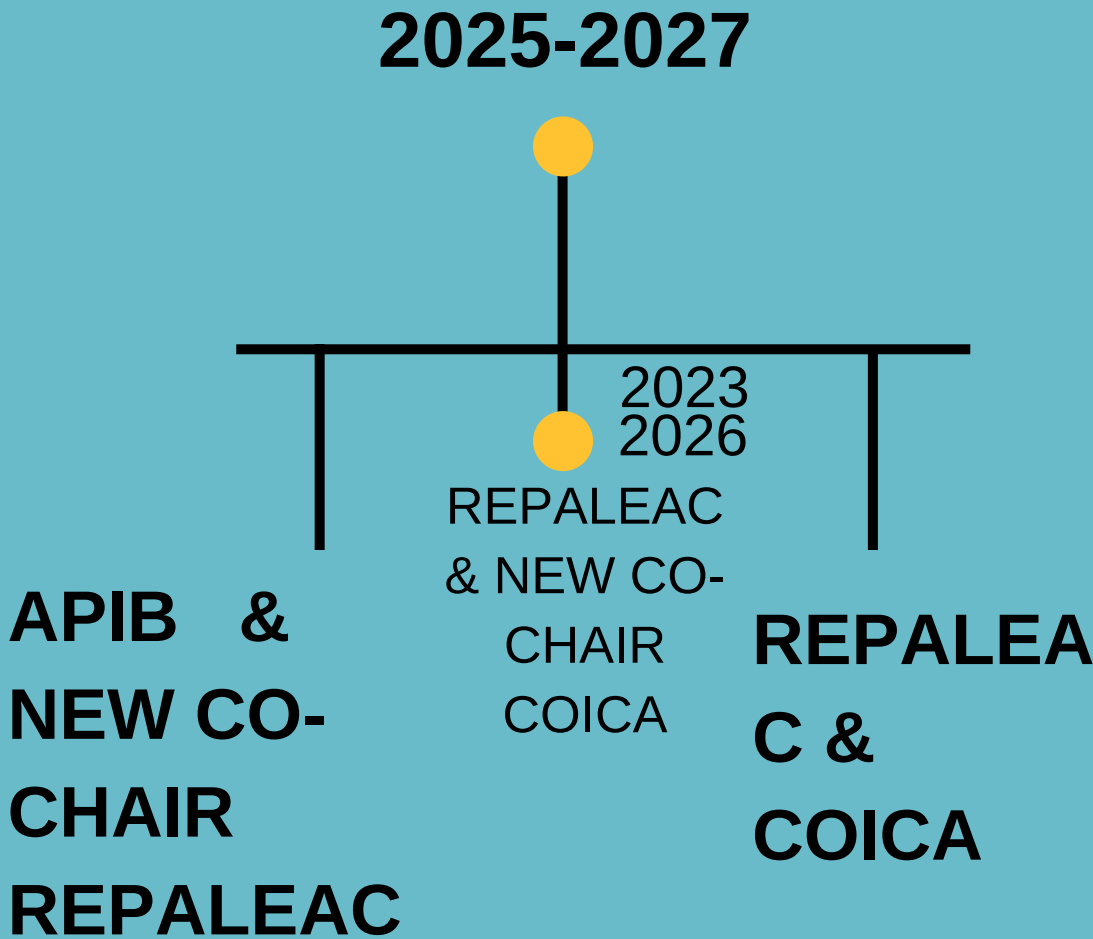
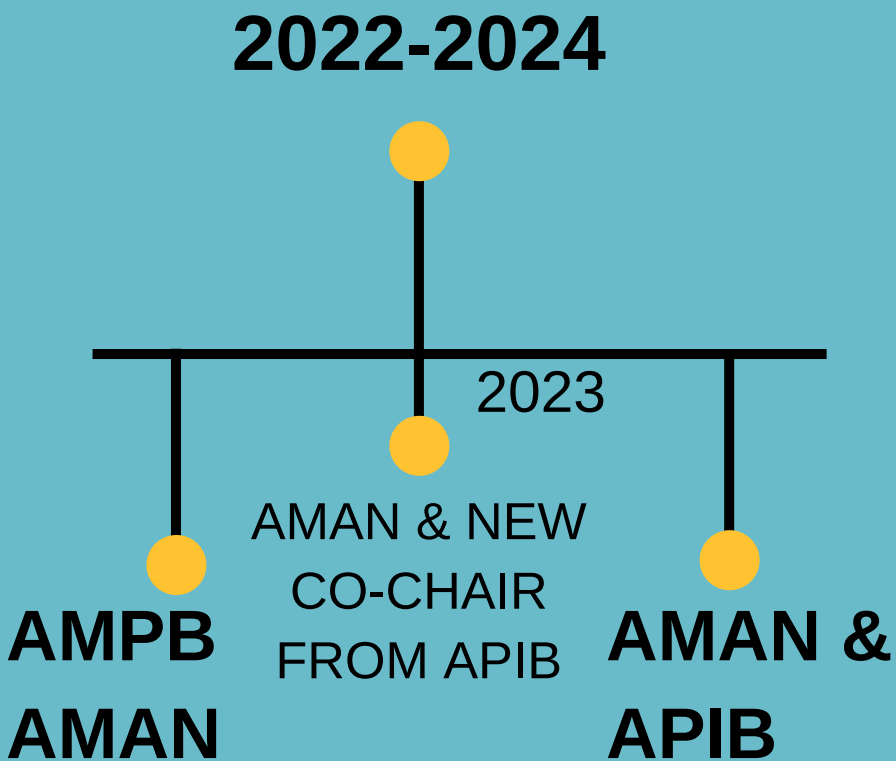
The representation of **women and youth** are included with two elected spokespersons as part of the council of leaders. This representation has the same rights as the council.

The Executive Secretariat shall also be indigenous or from a local community. It should be **nominated from one of the member organizations** but not from one serving a Co-Chair term.

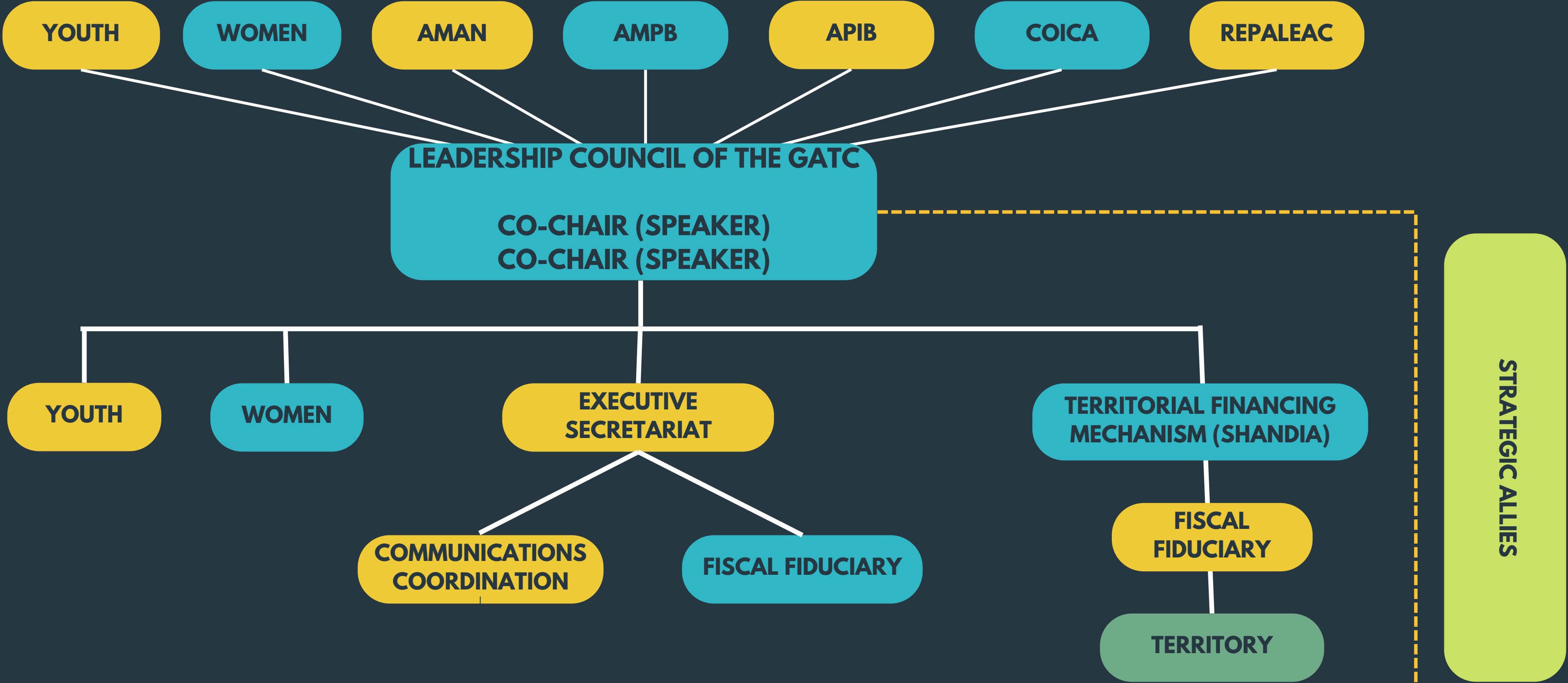


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Time period for the two co-chairs



STRUCTURE



CO-CHAIRS



RUKKA SOMBOLINGGI
MINA SUSANA SETRA



LEVI SUCRE
GUSTAVO SANCHEZ

AMAN

CO-CHAIR

RUKKA SOMBOLINGGI



Rukka is the first female Secretary General of the Indigenous Peoples Alliance of the Archipelago (AMAN)—the world’s largest Indigenous Peoples organization. Rukka is a Torajan from the highlands of Sulawesi, a starfish-shaped island the size of Florida. She is known for her fiery oratory and her longtime dedication to the indigenous rights movement.

ALTERNATE

MINA SUSANA SETRA

Mina Susana Setra is an indigenous woman leader (Dayak Pompakng) from West Kalimantan, Indonesia. She is currently the Deputy to Secretary General of AMAN on Social Culture Affairs. Ms. Setra has worked on indigenous issues locally, nationally and internationally.



AMPB

CO-CHAIR

LEVI SUCRE

Levi is the Coordinator of the Mesoamerican Alliance of Peoples and Forests (AMPB). He is an indigenous Bribri Costa Rican who currently directs the technical and organisational management of the Bribri-Cabécar Indigenous Network (RIBCA). He is a farmer and specialist in indigenous organisations and cultures and environment in Central America.



ALTERNATE

GUSTAVO SANCHEZ

Gustavo Sánchez Valle is the President of the Red Mexicana de Organizaciones Forestales Campesinas (Red MOCAF) which promotes community forestry and supports Indigenous and farmers organizations that own lands in Mexico. He is currently member of the Advisory Committee of the International Land and Forest Tenure Fund, of the Executive Council of the Measoamerican Alliance of Peoples and Forests.



JUAN CARLOS JINTIACH

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



Juan Carlos is from the Shuar people in Ecuador. He has worked extensively with Shuar, Achuar, and Kichwa communities and indigenous organizations of the Amazon region. He is an active advisor in international policy for COICA. He served as co-chair to the Indigenous Caucus to the UNFCCC. Juan Carlos studied Ecology in his home country and did a postgraduate on Indigenous Rights in Greenland.

ANDREA RODRÍGUEZ

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

Andrea is a social communications expert, she has worked for non-profit organisations involved promoting the rights of children and women. She holds a master in Media Practice for Development and Social Change from the University of Sussex, UK. She is the author of a published article on how modernity affects indigenous women in her country, Bolivia.

