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Adriaan Bronkhorst The Drug Peace Institute Utrect, Holland

Dear Mr. Bronkhorst,

Forest Trends partners with indigenous and traditional communities in their efforts to secure their rights, conserve their forests, and improve their livelihoods and territorial governance. These communities play a key role in the global challenge of fighting climate change, saving the remaining forests from destruction, as well as preserving vital cultural heritage.

We have learned with great admiration of the work carried out by anthropologist Susana Eger Valadez on behalf of the Huichol communities in Mexico. For the past 25 years, Ms. Valdez has worked tirelessly to support the Huichol keep their unique culture alive and create much needed income streams from the revival of their traditional art.

Ms. Valadez's work has been acknowledged by several respected international organizations and universities. She has dedicated years for the preservation of the Huichol's cultures and improved livelihoods at great personal expense.

Forest Trends highly commends her work and legacy and recommends Susana Eger Valadez for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Respectfully,

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José Roberto Borges Director, Communities Initiative for Territorial Governance Forest Trends