**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE SITUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENDERS IN COUNTRIES IN NORTHERN CENTRAL AMERICA**

1. Causes and ways in which defenders stand up for the environment in northern Central American countries
2. Main groups who are at risk due to their work in defense of environmental rights, and main risks individual environmental rights defenders face
3. Types of attacks that have been seen against environmental rights defenders (threats, murders, criminalization, slander, etc.)—Disaggregate figures based on the type of aggression, the activity of the defender who was attacked, their gender, the geographical area, and the likely perpetrators
4. Sources and origin of these risks, ties to development or extractive projects, and factors that affect risk persistence; existing context or structural conditions that affect the persistence of these risks in any given country
5. Progress and challenges in efforts to mitigate and/or eradicate risks for environmental defenders—Highlight the main protection and prevention measures adopted by States in northern Central America
6. Main factors that have led to the criminalization of environmental defenders in countries in northern Central America, and main crime or misdemeanor categories used to that effect—Mention specific cases, if known
7. Progress made and pending challenges in efforts to fight impunity in cases involving environmental defenders in northern Central American countries—Include detailed information concerning the state of specific investigations, and any particular challenges that have been identified
8. Suggestions and recommendations to achieve effective protection of environmental defenders in countries in northern Central America