

11:15 am to 12:30 pm

Panel One: International Standards, Norms, Laws and Mechanisms related to the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

This panel will provide participants with an overview of the current status of international standards, norms and laws that are utilized to advance the rights of Indigenous Peoples. It will also provide examples of how the Indigenous-specific mechanisms of the United Nations have advanced these standards, norms and laws.

Speakers:

Grand Chief Wilton Littlechild International Chief

Mariam Walleh Med Aboubakrine, Chair of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Claire Charters, Chair of the UN Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Peoples (Pacific) (by Skype)

12:30 pm to 1:30 pm

Lunch Break

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Panel Two: Case Studies from 4 Regions

The topics covered will be Self-Determination; Rights related to Lands, Territories and Resources, focusing on Free, Prior and Informed Consent; Economic, Social, Cultural and Spiritual Rights; Civil and Political Rights; Equality and Non-Discrimination (Gender, People with Disabilities, LGBTQI).

Speakers:

Erika Yamada, Expert Member on the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Latin America and the Caribbean)

Edtami Mansayagan, Expert Member on the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Asia)

Kristen Carpenter, Expert Member on the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (North America)

Andrew Erueti, Senior Lecturer, University of Auckland

3:00 pm

Nutrition Break

3:15 pm to 4:30 pm

Small Group Discussions:

How can the standards, norms and laws in this area be applied to your work?

What is needed to complete this work from academics, governments, Indigenous Peoples and UN agencies, bodies and programmes?

What are the future ways that conference participants can continue to network or collaborate in this area?

4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Closing Comments

Saturday, January 19th, 2019

9:00 am to 10:15 am

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Speakers:

Albert Barume, Former Expert Member on the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Africa)

Naiomi Metallic, Assistant Professor, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University

Alexey Tsykarev, Expert Member on the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia)

Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

10:15 am to 10:30 am

Nutrition Break

10:30 am to 11:30 am

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Lunch Break

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Closing Panel

Al Benoit, Chief of Staff, Manitoba Metis Federation

Lea Nicholas-MacKenzie, Special Advisor for Indigenous Issues, based at the Canadian Permanent Mission to the UN in New York

Grand Chief Edward John, Chairperson Kiskinohamatowin

2:00 pm

Closing Prayer by Elders of the Territory

Norman Meade and Florence Paynter