









The Power of Local Action: Empowering Indigenous Peoples for the Sustainable Development Goals

Wednesday, 3 May 2017, 1:15-2:30PM FF Building, 304 East 45th Street 9th Floor, Rio Room

*Light lunch will be provided

Indigenous peoples are among the best managers of the world's biodiversity and ecosystems, and are indispensable partners in sustainable development. When empowered to manage their lands and waters, indigenous peoples are capable of delivering benefits well beyond environment and conservation, including in health, education, energy and water access, food security, conflict resolution, disaster recovery and more. In other words, they can deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Panelists will discuss how facilitating the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples in biodiversity conservation will contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Facilitator:

Jamison Ervin, Manager, Global Programme on Nature for Development, UNDP

Speakers:

- Roberto Borrero, International Indian Treaty Council & IP Major Group
- Joji Cariño, FPP & International Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network
- Cristina Coc, Equator Prize winner, Maya Leaders Alliance, Belize
- Eva Gurria, Equator Initiative, UNDP
- · Gina Cosentino, World Bank