

THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK

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MEDIA ADVISORY

UN General Assembly to Renew Commitment to the Realization of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples at First World Conference on Indigenous Peoples

World Conference on Indigenous Peoples
22-23 September 2014, New York

Indigenous Peoples are among the most disadvantaged and vulnerable populations, with many of them struggling to remain on their lands and retain the right to their natural resources, while others have long since been removed from their lands, denied their languages and traditional ways. In order to share perspectives and best practices on the realization of the rights of indigenous peoples, the General Assembly decided to organize a high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly, to be known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples. The World Conference will result in a concise, action-oriented outcome document prepared on the basis of inclusive and open informal consultations with Member States and indigenous peoples.

WHO: The President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Heads of State or Government and high-level representatives of Member States, the Chair of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, representatives of entities of the United Nations system, indigenous peoples, civil society organizations and national human rights institutions.

WHEN: Monday 22 September and Tuesday 23 September

WHERE: United Nations Headquarters

PROGRAMME:

Monday 22 September
9am-1pm – Opening Plenary Meeting
3-6pm – Roundtable 1: United Nations system action to implement the rights of indigenous peoples
3-6pm – Roundtable 2: Implementation of the rights of indigenous peoples at the national and local level

Tuesday 23 September
3-5pm – Roundtable 3: Indigenous peoples' lands, territories and resources
3-5pm – Panel Discussion: Indigenous priorities for the post-2015 sustainable development agenda
5-6pm – Closing Plenary Meeting

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SIDE EVENTS: A full programme is available at: <http://www.un.org/indigenous2014>

PRESS CONFERENCE: Monday 22 September at 1:15pm in the Press Briefing Room (S -0237).

Key Media Information

Accreditation:

The deadline to request media accreditation is 5 September. Media accreditation is strictly reserved for members of the press, print, photo, radio, TV, film, news agencies, and online media who represent a bona fide media organization. Detailed information on accreditation at:

<http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/UNGA69.shtml>, +1 212-963-6934 or +1 212-963-6937; email: malu@un.org

Multimedia:

The UN Department of Public Information will provide comprehensive TV, webcast, radio, photo and internet coverage of the plenary meetings, roundtables, panel discussion and press conference. Live and on-demand webcast coverage of the plenary meetings, roundtables, panel discussion and press conference will be available on: <http://webtv.un.org>

Broadcast:

Highlights of the opening plenary meeting and press conference in broadcast quality will be available at: <http://www.unmultimedia.org/tv/unifeed/>

Meeting Summaries:

Meeting summaries will be available at: <http://www.un.org/en/unpress/>

Social Media: #WCIP2014

Website: <http://www.un.org/indigenous2014>

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