

# Questionnaire on Indigenous Issues / PFII

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## Questionnaire to Indigenous Peoples' Organizations

The United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues was established by Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Resolution 2000/22. The Permanent Forum is mandated to provide expert advice and recommendations on indigenous issues to ECOSOC and through the Council to United Nations agencies, funds and programmes; to raise awareness and promote the integration and coordination of activities related to indigenous issues with the UN system; and prepare and disseminate information on indigenous issues.

The Permanent Forum's report of the fifteenth session of 2016 includes a number of recommendations within its mandated areas, some of which are addressed to indigenous peoples' organizations and institutions (attached).

The report can be found at : <https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/unpfi-sessions-2/unpfi-fifteenth-session.html>

The secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues invites Indigenous Peoples' Organizations and institutions to complete the attached questionnaire on any action taken or planned related to the recommendations of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The responses will be compiled into one report for the sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum which will take place from 24 April to 5 May 2017. Responses will be placed on the UN's website at <https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples>

Please submit your completed questionnaire by **1 January 2017** to:

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The sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be held at United Nations Headquarters from **24 April to 5 May 2017**.

## Draft Agenda

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Follow-up to the recommendations of the Permanent Forum:
  - (a) Empowerment of indigenous women;
  - (b) Indigenous youth.
4. Implementation of the six mandated areas of the Permanent Forum with reference to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
5. Dialogue with indigenous peoples.
6. Dialogue with Member States.
7. Dialogue with the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system.
8. Discussion on the theme “Tenth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration”.
9. 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
10. Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples with regard to indigenous human rights defenders.
11. Follow-up to the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples:
  - (a) Implementation of national action plans, strategies or other measures;
  - (b) Ways to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples at the United Nations;
  - (c) Implementation of the United Nations system-wide action plan on indigenous peoples.
12. Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues considered by the Economic and Social Council, and emerging issues.
13. Provisional agenda for the seventeenth session.
14. Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its sixteenth session

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### A. General information and background on your organization/institution

1. Please provide the name of your organization/entity and where it is based. Please also provide details on the objectives and goals of your organization.

2. What is the total number of indigenous peoples in your country? Please also include official sources/references.

Indigenous Peoples (total figures)		
Indigenous Peoples (please provide the names of different groups)	Country	Total indigenous population (Indicate source)

3. Which indigenous peoples/communities does your organization represent and/or work with?

Indigenous Peoples (represented by your organization)			
Indigenous Peoples	Country	Region and areas	Total indigenous population represented

4. Has your organization/institution participated in any sessions of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues? If yes, please indicate the year(s).

### B. Recommendations of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

5. Has the work of the Permanent Forum supported indigenous peoples? Please provide details with specific examples.

*At the 2017 session, the Permanent Forum will focus on the follow-up of its recommendations on: a) Empowerment of indigenous women; and b) Indigenous youth. In this context, and regarding the situation in your country:*

6. Please provide information on any measures your organization has taken to strengthen the role and rights of indigenous women. Please also include information on any steps to address sexual and gender-based violence against indigenous women and girls, in particular in conflict situations (para. 57 of 2016 Report).

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7. Please provide information on any projects or programmes your organization has taken to support indigenous youth. Please also provide information on any action taken to (i) prevent self-harm and suicide; and (ii) facilitate the inter-generational transfer of traditional knowledge and histories among your peoples/communities.

### C. UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

*The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples was adopted in 2007. To mark the ten year anniversary, and assess gains and achievements, the theme of the Permanent Forum's 2017 annual session will be: Tenth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration.*

8. How has the situation of the indigenous peoples in your country evolved since the adoption of the UN Declaration in 2007? Has the adoption of the UN Declaration made a difference? Please include information in the matrix below:

	Better	Worse	No change	Comments & details
<b>Culture</b>				
<b>Education</b>				
<b>Environment</b>				
<b>Health</b>				
<b>Human Rights</b>				
<b>Socio-economic Development</b>				
<b>Lands, territories &amp; Resources</b>				
<b>Participation in decision-making</b>				
<b>Law and Policy</b>				
<b>Other</b>				

9. Do you have any examples of good/best practice in implementing the UN Declaration? If so, please provide details.

10. What are the major successes as well as the remaining obstacles for the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in your country?

### D. World Conference on Indigenous Peoples

*In 2014, at the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples (A/RES/69/2), Member States committed to taking a number of measures to achieve the ends of the Declaration.*

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**11.** Has your organization been involved in any legislative, policy and/or administrative measures taken by the Government to implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples? Please provide details.

**12.** Have any steps been taken or are planned to develop a national action plan or strategy on indigenous peoples? Please also include information on information sharing and capacity building to strengthen awareness and action to implement the UN Declaration.

**13.** The UN has recently developed a system wide action plan to promote improved support to Member States as well as indigenous peoples themselves to achieve the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (SWAP-Indigenous Peoples). Please provide information on the involvement of your organization/peoples in any projects, activities/dialogues and/or events of the UN in your country to advance rights and opportunities for indigenous peoples.

### **D. 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

*The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development sets the framework for global development efforts until 2030.* The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will address the follow up and review of the 2030 Agenda. Please provide information on the following

**14.** Has your government consulted you in the national level implementation, review and follow-up to the 2030 Agenda?

**15.** Which goal/s of the 2030 Agenda are most important for your work and how you will engage in the implementation? Please describe any 2030 Agenda programmes, activities or other initiatives your organization is involved in at the community, national, regional or global level

**16.** Is your organization involved in the collection and dissemination of disaggregated data or culturally relevant data on indigenous peoples? Please mention if and how you work with National Statistical Offices to integrate the data in official reports for review of the 2030 Agenda?