# INDIGENOUS VOICES AT THE HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2017



"Indigenous Voices at the HLPF" is a one-day space for indigenous media to cover the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development 2017 through indigenous worldviews, perspectives and languages. Indigenous journalists and speakers will broadcast information about the six Sustainable Development Goals under review in 2017, the outcomes of the Voluntary National Reviews and the 2017 HLPF Theme: "Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world".

#### **Highlights from the Programme:**

- 6 SDG reflection sessions: indigenous speakers will analyse the 6 SDGs under review in 2017
- 4 panels: indigenous perspectives on the 2030 Agenda, the 2017 theme and progress so far
- Individual interviews: indigenous participants will interview their governments on the experience of the 2017 Voluntary National Reviews
- Indigenous story tellers will tell inspiring stories from their ancestors about Mother Earth

Indigenous representatives, youth, activists, parliamentarians and academics are attending the High-Level Political Forum as part of the Indigenous Peoples Major Group and will share their stories.

### Time:

"Indigenous Voices" will be open on 17 July 2017 from 9 AM to 6 PM.

#### Location:

The UN Correspondent Association Lounge on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the UN Secretariat Building, New York.

#### Watch online - Live Streaming:

"Indigenous Voices" interviews and panels will be streamed through:

- Facebook Page of the Indigenous Peoples Major Group Facebook
- Facebook Page of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues <a href="www.facebook/unpfii">www.facebook/unpfii</a>
- Facebook Page of NOTIMIA (Indigenous News Organization): www.facebook.com/notimia/

#### **Find the Programme:**

The programme will be updated and available on www.un.org/indigenous starting from 10 July 2017



# **PROGRAMME**

(subject to changes)
UN Correspondents Association Room
UN Secretariat, 3rd floor

Time	Event	Speakers
10:00-10:20	PANEL: An indigenous perspective on "Eradicating Poverty and Promoting Prosperity"  The HLPF 2017 High Level Segment is kicking-off this morning, while indigenous peoples will be giving us their perspective on what prosperity really is about - and how to address the root causes of the poverty, indigenous peoples face.  Moderated by Tarcila Rivera Zea	English Pratima Gurung, Nepal Jamie Tanguay, Vanuatu Pallab Chakma, Bangladesh (tbo
11:00-11:15	REFLECTIONS ON GOAL 1 – The Struggle for Land and Secure Tenure Rights in the 2030 Agenda.  Indigenous Peoples have advocated for a strong focus on secure land tenure as a key to poverty eradication. While included in the 2030 Agenda and the global indicator list, the focus on land rights is now under threat at the HLPF 2017. The panel discusses why lands rights must not be lost.  Moderated by Joji Carino	English Janene Yazzie, USA Gam Shimray, Asian Indigenou Peoples Pact Daniel Ole Sapit, Kenya
11:30-11:45	REFLECTIONS ON GOAL 2 – A key to Zerohunger: Indigenous Knowledge, Land and Agricultural Practices  Indigenous Peoples' traditional knowledge and agricultural practices can help end hunger. Yet, institutions must be in place to fully respect their individual and collective land rights.  Moderated by NOTIMIA indigenous media	Spanish  Ketty Marcelo, Peru  HIginio Obispo Gonzalez, Colombia  Alvaro Pop, Guatemala  UN Representative (tbc)
12:00-12:20	PANEL on Partnerships to advance indigenous peoples' rights and well-being in the 2030 Agenda  Moderated by Mirian Masaquiza, SPFII	English Joan Carling, IPMG Caecilie Mikkelsen, IWGIA Birgitte Feiring, GANHRI/DHRI Antje Kraft, UNDP
12:30-12:45	REFLECTIONS ON GOAL 3 – Where is the culturally appropriateness in the 2030 Agenda? An indigenous perspective on Sustainable Health Indigenous Peoples have the right to enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and	English Joji Carino, Philippines Polina Shulbaeva, Russian Federation

	mental health and to maintain their traditional medicine and health practices (UNDRIP article 24). How can the 2030 Agenda include a culturally appropriate approach to health to ensure indigenous peoples are not left behind?  Moderated by NOTIMIA indigenous media	Merdada Castro, Guatemala UN Representative (tbc)
1:00-1:30	LUNCH BREAK SHORT STORIES INDIGENOUS STORY TELLERS – INDIGENOUS CHANGE MAKERS	Indigenous peoples tell short stories from their communities about Mother Earth and Sustainable Development – and their own journey to become change makers for tomorrow
1:30-1:45	REFLECTIONS ON GOAL 5 – Contributions of Indigenous Women to Sustainable Development  Indigenous women are increasingly becoming visible on the global scene as change makers and contributors to sustainable development. This panel will hear fascinating stories from two indigenous women and UN Women on their experience in building a global indigenous women movement and how to address indigenous women's priorities in the 2030 Agenda.  Moderated by NOTIMIA indigenous media	Spanish Tarcila Rivera Zea, Peru Toribia Quispe, Bolivia Begona Lasagabaster, Chief Leadership and Governance, UN Women
2:00-2:20	PANEL: Inclusion of Indigenous Peoples in the 2030 Agenda. A panel with government and indigenous peoples from the VNR countries  Reflections on the first experiences and practices of including indigenous peoples in the Voluntary National Reviews, including consultation mechanisms, development of national plans, inclusion in reports and presentations at HLPF.  Moderated by Roberto Borrero	English  Mr. Sami Pirkkala, Department for Development Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland.  Mr. Gerardo Talavera, Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations  Tarcila Rivera Zea, Expert of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues  Anne Nuorgam, Expert of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
2:40-3:30	INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS (tbc):  Where are Indigenous Peoples in the 2017 National Voluntary Reviews?  Indigenous representatives at HLPF 2017 will speak about how indigenous peoples have been included in the 2017 national voluntary reviews (10 minutes/country)	English and Spanish  1) Guatemala (Medarda Castro)  2) Kenya (Daniel Ole Sapit) tbc  3) Nepal (Tahal Thami) tbc  4) Malaysia (Atama Katama) tbc  5) Bangladesh (Pallab Chakma)

4:30-4:45	REFLECTIONS ON GOAL 9 – A delicate balance: investing in infrastructure and industrialization with respect for human rights  Industrialization and Infrastructural investments can be crucial approaches to spur development. Yet, for indigenous peoples they can have adverse impacts, when investments in big development projects encroach on their lands and territories and prevent their traditional ways of living. This discussion will focus on ways to ensure respect for human rights in Goal 9.  Moderated by Notimia Indigenous Media	Spanish  Merdada Castro, Guatemala  Alvaro Pop, Fondo Indigena  Toribia Quispe, Bolivia (tbc)
5:00-5:15	REFLECTIONS on GOAL 14 – Indigenous Peoples and the Oceans  Indigenous Peoples give their perspective on the outcomes of the Ocean Conference and the need to step up efforts to protect the world's oceans, seas and marine resources – while respecting the rights of indigenous peoples.  Moderated by Atama Katama	English Patricia Wattimena, Indonesia Tui Shortland, New Zealand Roberto Borrero, Taino, Puerto Rico
5:30-5:50	PANEL on WAYS FORWARD: Two lessons learned since 2015 – two priorities to take forward  Moderated by Joan Carling	English Atama Katama, Malaysia Janene Yazzie, USA Tahal Thami, Nepal (tbc)

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