

Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore

Nineteenth Session
Geneva, July 18 to 22, 2011

**INFORMATION NOTE FOR THE PANEL OF INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL
COMMUNITIES**

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1. At its seventh session, the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore ('the Committee') agreed "that, immediately before the commencement of the sessions of the Committee, half-day panel presentations should be organized, chaired by a representative from a local or indigenous community". These panels have since been organized for each Committee session convened since 2005.
2. The theme of the panel at the eighteenth session is: Making *Sui Generis* Protection Work: Best Practices in Community-Led Strategies for the Protection of Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions.
3. The Annex contains the provisional program of the panel.

[Annex follows]

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE PANEL SESSION

Monday, July 18, 2011

11.00 – 11.10	Opening
	Chair – (to be identified by the WIPO Indigenous Consultative Forum)
11.10 – 11.45	Professor Angela R. Riley, School of Law, Director of the American Indian Studies Center, University of California, Los Angeles, California, United States of America
11.45 – 12.00	Ms. Valmaine Toki, Member of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, 2011-2013; Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand
12.00 – 12.15	Mr. Willem Collin Louw, Chair, Working Group of Indigenous Minorities in Southern Africa; Secretary, South African San Council; Member of the Provincial House of Traditional Leaders, Upington, South Africa
12.15 – 12.30	Ms. Lucia Fernanda Inácio Belfort, Executive Director, <i>Instituto Indígena Brasileiro para Propriedade Intelectual</i> , Chapecó, Brazil
12.30 – 13.00	Floor discussion
13.00	Closing of panel

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