

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

**Eighteenth Session**  
**Geneva, May 9 to 13, 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: Indigenous Peoples' Collective Rights and Intellectual Property.
3. The Annex contains the provisional program of the panel.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE PANEL SESSION

Monday, May 9, 2011

- 11.00 – 11.15      Opening
- Chair – (to be identified by the WIPO Indigenous Consultative Forum)
- 11.15 – 11.45      The Collective Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Their Conceptual Foundations and Implications
- Prof. James Anaya, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; Regents' and James J. Lenoir Professor of Human Rights Law and Policy, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, Tucson, USA
- 11.45 – 12.00      The Intellectual Property Regime and Indigenous Peoples' Rights: Future Challenges for Indigenous Peoples?
- Mr. Estebancio Castro Diaz, Executive Secretary, International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests, Panamá City, Panamá
- 12.00 – 12.15      The Art of Integrating Opposites
- Ms. Repeta Puna, Policy Advisor, Office of the Prime Minister, Cook Islands Government, Avarua, Cook Islands
- 12.15 – 12.30      "A Calabash Full of Wisdom": Perspectives on Collective Rights over Traditional Knowledge in Africa
- Mr. Eliamani Isaya Laltaika, Coordinator, Tanzania Intellectual Property Rights Network, Arusha, Tanzania; WIPO Indigenous Intellectual Property Law Fellow, 2009
- 12.30 – 13.00      Floor discussion
- 13.00                  Closing of panel

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