

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

Fifty-First Session
Geneva, May 30 to June 5, 2025

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 present session will be: "*International Legal Instrument(s) on Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions: Views of Indigenous Peoples*".
3. The Annex contains the provisional program of the panel for the Fifty-First Session.

[Annex follows]

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM OF THE PANEL

Friday, May 30, 2025 (Geneva Time)

11.00	Opening Chair – (to be identified by the WIPO Indigenous Consultative Forum)
11.00 – 11.20	Ms. Lucy Mulenkei, who is a Maasai from Kenya, and serves as the Executive Director at the Indigenous Information Network (IIN) in Kenya.
11.20 – 11.40	Ms. Rebecka Forsgren, who is an Indigenous Saami native, based in Örbyhus, Sweden, and works with the Saami Council.
11.40 – 12.00	Ms. Jennifer Tauli Corpuz, who is a Kankana-ey Igorot from the Mountain Province in the Cordillera region of the Philippines, and works at the Tebtebba Foundation (Indigenous Peoples' International Center for Policy Research and Education).
12.00 – 12.30	Floor discussion and closing of the panel.

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