

Indigenous Peoples Preparatory Meeting

**18th Session - United Nations Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 July 2025**

Venue: [Cafeteria of the International Committee of the Red Cross \(ICRC\)](#)

19 Avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva

Bus Stop: "Appia" (Bus lines 8, 20, 22 and F)

SATURDAY

10 am – 1 pm Orientation/Training on EMRIP for new participants: Background on the development of EMRIP, its mandate, how it evolved and examples of how to use it. Sponsored by the International Indian Treaty Council and Indigenous World Association and the Project Access Indigenous Partnership.

1 pm – 2 pm Lunch provided for Training participants (for non-participants plan 24 CHF p/p.)

2 pm – 5 pm Indigenous Peoples Preparatory Meeting

SUNDAY

10 am – 11 am Caucus Meeting

11:30 am – 1:00 pm **Meeting with EMRIP Experts**

1 pm – 2 pm Lunch on site (price per person: 24 CHF)

2 pm – 3 pm **Progress stock-taking and in-depth discussion on Enhanced Participation intersessionals**

3 pm – 5 pm Indigenous Peoples Preparatory Meeting

Draft Agenda

1. Opening Thanksgiving
2. Selection of Chairpersons
3. Finalizing agenda
4. Strategies to address the Agenda of the Expert Mechanism:
 1. Election of officers.
 2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
 3. Study and advice on the right of Indigenous Peoples to data, including data collection and disaggregation.
 4. Coordination meeting of United Nations Indigenous rights mechanisms.
 5. United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
 6. Country engagement.
 7. International Decade of Indigenous Languages.
 8. Panel discussion on the role of national and regional human rights institutions in achieving the ends of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
 9. Enhancing the participation of Indigenous Peoples in the United Nations.
 10. Future work of the Expert Mechanism, including follow-up to recommendations made in previous studies and advice.
 11. Proposals to be submitted to the Human Rights Council for its consideration and approval.
 12. Adoption of studies and reports
5. Presentation by Secretariat and members of the EMRIP (Sunday, 11:30am – 1:00pm)
6. Progress stock-taking and in-depth discussion on Enhanced Participation intersessionals (led by Binota Moy Dhamai, Indigenous co-facilitator).
7. Announcements, side events
8. Other issues
9. Closing

****Interpretation will be provided both days in Spanish, English, French, Russian and Portuguese
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