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From an international perspective, the popularly elected Sámediggis (Sámi Parliaments), established more than two decades ago in the Nordic countries of Finland, Norway and Sweden, represent unique institutional arrangements to enhance and safeguard indigenous peoples' right to self-determination. However, it turns out to be several differences between the institutions when one compare the legal basis, status, authority and mandate of the Sámi people's representative institutions, as well as the actual influence and autonomy of the Sámediggis in relation to the national political institutions in the respective country. These differences brings to the fore different ways in which nation-states may delimit indigenous peoples' right to self-determination.

Food will be served.

The event will be conducted in English.

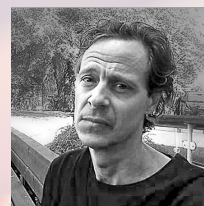
Welcome!

Key speakers



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