

A photograph showing the silhouettes of four indigenous people in a lush forest. One person is sitting on a large tree trunk on the left, another stands in the center, and two others stand on the right. The background is a dense, sun-dappled forest.

Indigenous knowledge as a source of power, identity and sense of community

Side event to the 9th session of EMRIP

Room XXVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Tuesday, 12th July 2016

13:15pm - 14:45pm

Indigenous heritage encounters big challenges in changing surroundings: imbalance of right-based structures, urbanization, discrimination and lack of recognition. This side event aims to strengthen the sense of community of the Indigenous Peoples by valorising traditional knowledge. The panelists will compare strategies, initiatives and challenges for a sustainable future in knowledge management for indigenous communities.

Panelists

Ms MUNDA, Kaushalya, India, Munda tribes, Bharat Munda Samaj, Jamshedpur

Ms LORENZO, June, USA, Acoma Pueblo, Laguna Pueblo, Haudenosaunee and others, Member of Indigenous World Association (IWA) and Laguna-Acoma Coalition for a Safe Environment (LACSE)

Mr ABOUBACAR, Albachir, Niger, Peuple Autochtone Touareg, Association pour le Développement Social et la Promotion des Droits de l'Homme TUNFA (to be confirmed)

Ms MARTINEZ-ESPINOSA, Maby Yised, Colombia, Pueblo Pijao, Consejo Regional Indígena del Tolima, C.R.I.T. (to be confirmed)

Moderation

Karmen Ramírez Boscán, Human Rights Activist, indigenous leader of the Wayúu community, CEO of Wayunkerra (Indigenous Women's Initiative), Wayúu Colombia

Interpretation and translation in English, French and Spanish. Light lunch will be served.