



THE RIGHT OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO FREE, PRIOR AND INFORMED CONSULTATION AS A REQUIREMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE AGENDA 2030.

Date: September 20, 16:00. Room XXIV. Palais des Nations.

Context

Among the countries with indigenous peoples, those from the Ibero-American region are within the most advanced in terms of the rights of indigenous peoples, and notably in terms of the right of free, prior and informed consultation. Thus, these countries have made significant progress in complying with the 169 ILO Convention, and the UN Declaration on Indigenous Rights (2007) in their constitutions and legal systems. In addition, the inter-American system of Human Rights has settled basic jurisprudence on the scope of recognition of this right.

The declaration of this right not only has an important legal value, by recognizing a collective right, but it is also an enabling right that helps realizing many other rights.. However, the challenge lies precisely on the application for, though there are some good practices, there is also a considerable number of social conflicts that arise as a result of a breach of that right.

However, there is an opportunity for the private sector, States and for indigenous peoples themselves to build spaces for dialogue and participation, grounded on international human rights standards, that would allow to build trust between the different parties.

This side event will present and discuss the compliance challenges of the right to prior consultation with the participation of key actors to make it effective. We will have the presentation of the work of the Special rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights setting out the news of his recent report 33/27, and an ILO representative. Furthermore, it will be shared the Spanish cooperation in promoting regional and national workshops in Latin America for facilitating tripartite dialogue spaces with the participation of indigenous representatives, governments and companies in partnership with the Regional Centre for the United Nation Global Compact in Latin America and the Caribbean. With these presentations we will open a debate on the challenges of compliance of the right to prior consultation of indigenous peoples in the context of the 2013 agenda.

Moderator

Ms. Ambassador of Guatemala

Speakers

Ms. Victoria Tauli-Corpuz. Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Peoples.

Ms. Eva Buendia – Director of Cooperation. AECID (Spain).

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