

Indigenous Justice and Human Rights

Tuesday, 17 September 2019, 13:00 – 14:30
Room VIII, Palais des Nations

The Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the International Commission of Jurists invite you to a discussion of the essential role of indigenous justice systems in relation to human rights, including such issues as:

- The right of indigenous peoples to maintain their legal systems;
- The contribution of indigenous justice systems to equal access to justice, including under SDG 16;
- Indigenous justice systems and other human rights, including fair trial and rights of women and children;
- The relationship between indigenous and non-indigenous justice systems.

The panel will feature:

- **Victoria Tauli Corpuz**, UN Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples.
- **Iaria Bottigliero**, IDLO Director of Policy, Research and Learning.
- **Jovita Tzul Tzul**, indigenous lawyer from Guatemala.
- **Matt Pollard**, ICJ Senior Legal Adviser.

The event will allow detailed and dynamic exchange between panelists and attendees, on current initiatives including: the Special Rapporteur's report on indigenous justice systems; ICJ's global initiative on indigenous and other traditional or customary justice systems; and IDLO's series of publications titled 'Navigating Complex Pathways to Justice: Engagement with Customary and Informal Justice Systems', which aim to advance policy dialogue and distil lessons from programming and research to help realize SDG 16.

Spanish-English interpretation will be available.