

In view of the preparation of the Report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples to the United Nations General Assembly

Dear colleagues,

The University of Arizona Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy Program and the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights invite you to participate in a virtual consultation with the [Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples](#), Francisco Calí Tzay, on **Wednesday March 17, 2021, 9-10:30am MST/ 11-12:30pm EST/17-18:30pm CET**. The consultation will inform the Special Rapporteur's annual report to the General Assembly on the **Situation of Indigenous Peoples living in Urban Areas** to be presented at the 76th session in October 2021.

Participants are invited to share information, updates, views and opinions on the issue in the form of 3-minute interventions to the Special Rapporteur. We will do our best to hear from all participants. In the event that some participants are unable to speak, they will be invited to submit written interventions.

The discussion will be organized around the following themes: **specific causes and consequences of urbanization**, the **effects of racism and racial discrimination** on indigenous peoples living in urban areas, and the **development of resilience, best practices, and strategies** employed by indigenous movements or organizations to improve the living conditions of urban indigenous peoples. The Special Rapporteur welcomes information on intersectionality, including in relation to gender, children and disability, as this pertains to the above areas.

Please **register** [here](#) for the consultation by **March 12, 2021**. If you have questions for the rapporteur or expert guest participants, please send in advance to showard@email.arizona.edu.

We encourage you to disseminate this invitation to your networks.

Kind regards,

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