Indigenous week programme

Monday, 8 February

15.00–16.00 “Chefs Storytelling: The value of Indigenous and Afro-descendant food systems”
Event in English
A friendly conversation linked to the Indigenous Peoples’ Forum theme: The value of indigenous food systems: resilience in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic where food, flavours and resilience will be the connecting dots that will contribute to emphasize the importance of IPs and afro-descendants food systems in times of COVID-19.

Tuesday, 9 February

13.00–14.00 Indigenous Peoples’ Assistance Facility on resilient food systems: Solutions from indigenous youth in the times of the COVID-19 pandemic
Event in English, Spanish and French
This event will show case three projects from the current cycle of the Indigenous Peoples’ Assistance Facility (IPAF). IPAF is an innovative funding instrument that indigenous communities can use to find solutions to the challenges they face. The objective of the Facility is to strengthen indigenous peoples’ communities and their organizations. The event will be the opportunity to share experiences emerging from IPAF and to highlight concrete solutions and results.

14.30–15.30 UNESCO event- Indigenous languages for eradication of hunger and support of indigenous food systems
Event in English, Spanish and French
The event aims to create a space for a dialogue for expansion of our understanding, sharing good practices, and reflection on future development
of the Global Action Plan for the International Decade of Indigenous Languages. It will establish strategic linkages with other ongoing International Decades such as the UN Decade on UN Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016-2025).

Register here

Wednesday, 10 February

13.00-14.00 ILC-IWGIA event - Advancing indigenous peoples’ land and territorial rights
Event in English, Spanish and French
A dialogue with indigenous representatives from different parts of the world focusing on strategies to advance support to indigenous peoples in their struggle to defend their lands, territories and resources. The session will be oriented to understand current trends and what needs to be done to scale-up political and financial support for this cause.

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15.00-16.00 Making beneficiaries the lead characters – working with Free, Prior and Informed Consent
Event in English and Spanish
The event will be the opportunity to IFAD collaborators to share findings from the knowledge harvest exercise on FPIC from projects in Latin America. Lead author Dennis Mairena will present recommendations and IFAD country Director and Hub Head Juan Diego Ruiz Cumplido will present an example of best practice from a project in Nicaragua.

Thursday, 11 February

13.00-14.00 Implementing Drone, Static Sensors, Bigdata and Crop Partnership for Indigenous Peoples
Event in Spanish
The event shows the DAASO project of the Poaquil 502 team, winner of the "Leave No One Behind" challenge of the ActInSpace Hackathon, co-organized by FILAC, UNOOSA and CANEUS. This project was developed by indigenous youth as an example of technological development in the framework of dialogue of knowledge to address the food insecurity of Indigenous Peoples in the context of the Pandemic.

15.00–16.00 La voz Afrodescendiente en LAC: Una discusión con el director Jhonny Hendrix, la CEPAL y ACUA
*Event in Spanish*
Film, research and cultural projects from Afro-descendant perspectives will be the protagonists of a multidisciplinary dialogue. The event will take a holistic look at the challenges of inclusion in a quest for development that leaves no one behind.

**Friday, 12 February**

13.00–14.30 Biodiversity conservation and agroecological transitions: A dialogue with Indigenous Peoples
*Event in English and Spanish*
The event will be an opportunity to dialogue with indigenous partners about their vision and concerns on biodiversity and agroecology. Following short presentations by IFAD, indigenous partners will present specific cases on how communities are using practices for biodiversity conservation and agroecology and provide their vision for future developments.

15.00–16.00 Slow Food event – Pastoralism: Protecting Traditions and Biodiversity
*Event in English and Spanish*
The session will blend pastoralist songs and dancing videos from Africa, with a presentation regarding nomadic pastoralist in Iran by Senior Researcher Nahid Naghizadeh. The presentation is followed by question directly from pastoralist leaders as a form of knowledge exchange. [Register here](#)