

## Call to action:

# Seeking Free Prior and Informed Consent to promote Indigenous Peoples-driven pathways

Side event - UNPFII Twenty-First Session

Thursday, 5 May 2022

12:30-13:45 New York time – 17:30-18:45 Rome time

## Speakers' bios

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Lola García-Alix, Senior Policy Advisor, Global Governance, International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs (IWGIA), moderator. She is the team coordinator of IWGIA's programme on global governance. With a special focus on international human rights instruments for the promotion and the protection of Indigenous Peoples rights.



Stig Traavik, Director of Climate, Energy & Environment, Norad – the Norwegian Govt Agency for Development Cooperation. He is a former Ambassador to Indonesia having more than 25 years of international diplomatic experience in Indonesia, Afghanistan, Ivory Coast, and the UN/WTO. Stig was a Special Envoy for Norway's International Forest and Climate initiative from 2018-2020.



Oliver Page is the Lead Climate and Environment Specialist for the Latin America and the Caribbean Region at IFAD. Oliver's work is centered on enhancing resilience of smallholder farmer communities, with a focus on climate, environment, and social inclusion. He has over 15 years' experience in the climate change field, working in both mitigation and adaptation. He holds a Master's degree in Environmental Policy from Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs, and a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Engineering from Cornell University.



Filiberto Penados, FPIC facilitator for the IFAD/GCF-funded project Resilient Rural Belize. He is a Belizean education and indigenous studies scholar and community activist. He has held faculty positions at the University of Belize and the University of Toronto.



Elifuraha Laltaika, Senior Law Lecturer and Director of Research and Consultancy, Tumaini University Makumira, Tanzania. He is a former Member of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the founder of Association for Law and Advocacy for Pastoralists (ALAPA) based in Arusha, Tanzania. He works with Tumaini University Makumira in Arusha, where he teaches International Law, Human Rights Law and Constitutional Law.



Jennifer Rubis, Indigenous Peoples Specialist, Green Climate Fund. Jen is the Indigenous Peoples Specialist for the Green Climate Fund (GCF). She has worked on indigenous peoples and environment for around 20 years and is a Dayak from Sarawak, Malaysia.

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Antonella Cordone, Ad-interim Senior Technical Specialist - Indigenous Peoples, IFAD, Moderator. She also represents IFAD at the international level and leads partnerships with the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Peoples (IASG) and Indigenous Peoples' organizations.



Tunda Lepore, Indigenous Youth Representative for Africa, Steering Committee of the Indigenous Peoples' Forum at IFAD. Member of the Maasai peoples. She plays a key role in advocating for the preservation of positive cultural practices in the Maasai community. She holds a degree in Development Studies from Busoga University in Uganda and a Master in International Studies from The University of Nairobi.