

United Nations Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

18th session 14-18 July 2025

Programme of Work

Monday 14 July

10h00 – 11h00: *Opening of the 18th session*

Traditional Indigenous Ritual

Welcoming remarks from:

- *President of the Human Rights Council*
- *United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

Item 1: *Election of officers*

Opening remarks from the Chair of the Expert Mechanism

Item 2: *Adoption of agenda and organization of work*

11h00 – 13h00: Item 3: *Study and advice on the rights of Indigenous Peoples to data, including data collection and disaggregation*

Lunch events

15h00 – 16h00: Item 3 (continued): *Study and advice on the rights of Indigenous Peoples to data, including data collection and disaggregation*

16h00-18h00 Item 6: *Country engagement*

Tuesday 15 July

10h00 – 13h00: Item 8: *Panel discussion on the role of national and regional human rights institutions in achieving the ends of the Declaration*

Lunch events

15h00 – 16h30: Item 5: *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, including report on the rights of Indigenous Peoples to their traditional economies*

16h30-18h00: Item 4: *Coordination meeting between EMRIP, UNPFII, the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and the UN Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Peoples (closed meeting)*

Wednesday 16 July

10h00 – 11h00: ***Closed meeting** to discuss Proposals to be submitted to the Human Rights Council*

11h00 – 13h00: *Item 9: Enhancing the participation of Indigenous Peoples in the United Nations*

Lunch events

15h00 – 18h00: *Item 5 (continued): United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Interactive dialogue with UNPFII, the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and the UN Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Peoples and members of the United Nations Treaty Bodies (public)*

Thursday 17 July

10h00 – 12h00: *Item 10: Future work of the Expert Mechanism, and follow up to thematic studies and advice*

12h00 – 13h00: *Item 7: International Decade of Indigenous Languages*

Lunch events

15h00 – 16h00: *Item 7 (continued): International Decade of Indigenous Languages*

16h00 – 18h00: *Item 11: Proposals to be submitted to the Human Rights Council for its consideration and approval*

Friday 18 July

10h00 – 11h30: ***Closed meeting** to discuss session report and proposals*

11h30 – 13h00: *Item 12: Adoption of studies and reports*

Closing-Traditional Indigenous Ritual

.....