

Human Rights Forum

Lancaster University Law School



Indigenous Peoples' Rights in the Aftermath of the Declaration: Self-determination and (Intellectual) Property

23 September 2008, Lancaster University
Bowland North Seminar Room 20

PROGRAMME

9.45-10.00 Welcome

Prof Sigrun Skogly, Law School, Lancaster University

10.00 – 10.45 Keynote Speech: Indigenous Rights: Prospects and Challenges.

Dr. Alexandra Xanthaki, Brunel Law School

10.45-11.00 Refreshments

11.00-1.00 Session One: Self-determination

Chair: Nina Caspersen, Dept. of Politics and International Relations, Lancaster University

The Concept of Indigenous Peoples and the UN Declaration

Dr James Summers, Law School, Lancaster University

The puzzling relationship between democracy and the UN Declaration on Indigenous Peoples

Steven Wheatley, School of Law, University of Leeds

Indigenous peoples and self-determination rights: from *terra nullius* to *genetic terra nullius* or the latest 'fetishism' of intellectual property rights

Dr Saskia Vermeylen, Geography, Lancaster University

1.00-2.00 Lunch

2.00-4.00 Session Two: (Intellectual) Property

Chair: Mike Hannis, Institute for Law, Politics and Justice, University of Keele

Strategies and Mechanisms for Effective Protection of Intellectual Property: How far have we come?

Cynthia Morel, Minority Rights Group

Defensive and positive protection of Ancestral Knowledges in Peru: Patents, Peoples and Patrimony.

Jodie Chappell, CESAGen, Lancaster University

Protecting Traditional Knowledge is not protecting traditional knowledge, or: why economic compensation won't make the plants speak

Nina Moeller, CESAGen, Lancaster University

4.00-4.30 Future Perspectives

Minorities, Indigenous Peoples: Global Challenges and the Role of International Jurisprudence

Dr Gaetano Pentassuglia, Liverpool Law School

4.30 Drinks Reception