

Indigenous Laws and Transpacific Trade Workshop

22-23 May 2025 | Queenswood | University of Victoria

DAY 1 - Wednesday 21 May

17:30 -19:30	Opening Reception , Fireside Lounge, University Club, University of Victoria Remarks by Angel Lihsin Liu , Director General of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO), Vancouver
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DAY 2 - Thursday 22 May

8:30 - 9:30	Registration and Breakfast	
9:30 - 10:15	SESSION 1: Territorial Welcome and Opening Remarks	
	Dr Skip Dick	Elder, Songhees Nation
	Sarah Morales	JD/JID Director, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
	Lək̓ʷəŋən Traditional Dancers	
	Paul Whitinui	Special Advisor to the Vice-President Indigenous, University of Victoria
	Freya Kodar	Dean of Law, University of Victoria
	Victor V. Ramraj	Director, Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives
10:15 -10:30	Break	
10:30 -11:45	SESSION 2: Indigenous Peoples Economic and Trade Cooperation Arrangement (IPETCA): Histories and Aspirations	
	Pooja Parmar (Moderator)	Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
	Wayne Garnons-Williams	President, International Inter-tribal Trade and Investment Organization
	Robert Joseph	Faculty of Law, University of Waikato
	Awi Mona	Department of Law & Indigenous Law Program, National Dong Hwa University
	Ming Lin (Wagi Payan)	Department of Ethnic Relations and Cultures, College of Indigenous Studies, National Dong Hwa University
11:45 -12:30	Q&A and Open Discussion	
12:30 -13:30	Lunch	

DAY 2 - Continued

13:30 - 14:30	SESSION 3: Indigenous Legal Perspectives: Rethinking Trade, Cooperation and Agreement	
	Darcy Lindberg (Moderator)	Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
	Val Napoleon	Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
	Brandon Montour	Faculty of Law, University of Toronto
	Sarah Morales	Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
	Andrew Ambers	Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
14:30 - 14:45	Break	
14:45 - 16:00	Q&A and Discussion	

DAY 3 - Friday 23 May

8:30 - 9:30	Breakfast	
9:30-11:00	SESSION 4: Economies and Trade Cooperation: Challenges, Possibilities, Strategies	
	ann-elise lewallen (Moderator)	Pacific and Asian Studies, University of Victoria
	Rande Cook	Hereditary Chief, Ma'amtagila First Nation of the Kwakwaka'wakw Nation
	Hiromasa Sashima	President, Raporo Ainu Nation
	Hiroki Kajikawa	Raporo Ainu Nation
	Kaito Ichikawa	Raporo Ainu Nation
	Jack Hua	Paiwan Indigenous Nation, Chairman, Taiwan Indigenous Peoples Development Association
	TBC	Representative of WSANEC Leadership Council
11:00 - 11:15	Break	
11:15-12:00	Q&A and Open Discussion	
12:15 - 12:30	Emushi Rimse (Ainu Sword Dance)	
12:30 - 14:00	Closing and Lunch	

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