



SIDE EVENT

United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues:

Indigenous Peoples' Rights and the Implementation of UNDRIP in Guyana: what progress?

16 May 2014, Secretariat Building 2727FC from 13.15 to 14.45

Light lunch will be served



Mining is booming in the country and logging is set to take off as large concessions are sold to foreign companies. At the same time, Guyana is developing its national system of protected areas, promoting REDD+ and implementing low carbon plans that include a large dam building programme

How are these national policies and developments impacting on indigenous peoples? To what extent are core standards under UNDRIP being upheld in national policies, laws and State practice?



In this event, the Amerindian Peoples Association (APA) will review the treatment of indigenous peoples' rights in national policies and practices in the mining, forestry, infrastructure, conservation and climate finance sectors



The review will pinpoint recommended proposals for reform and measures in Guyana to improve implementation of UNDRIP and related human rights instruments