



SAAMI CULTURAL HERITAGE WEEK AND 19TH SAAMI CONFERENCE

27. – 31.10.2008 Rovaniemi, Finland

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Simultaneous/relay interpretation during all week between following languages:
Saami, Swedish/Norwegian, Finnish, Russian and English, Spanish only during Expert Seminar.
Saami Council will have the right to programme changes.

MONDAY 27.10.2008

Expert Seminar

9.00 – 10.00 Registration

10.00 – 10.40 **Opening of the Saami Cultural Heritage Week**
Welcome by Mr. *Timo E. Korva*, County Governor, Province of Lapland

Opening of the Expert Seminar
Mrs. *Pauliina Feodoroff*, Leader of the Saami Council
Meeting Moderator, Mr. *John B. Henriksen*, Member of the UN Expert
Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

10.40 – 12.20 **Indigenous peoples perspective and national experiences**

10.40 – 11.00 Ms. *Mililani Trask*, Director of Indigenous World Association (IWA)

An introduction to the international indigenous peoples' movement and how it has
addressed indigenous peoples' rights to their respective cultural heritage

11.00 - 11.20 Ms. *Tarcila Rivera Zea*, Director of Chirapaq Peru

Indigenous peoples' challenges with regard to misappropriations of their
respective cultural heritage. Practical examples from an Latin American
perspective

11.20 – 12.20 Questions/comments/debate

12.20 – 13.20 Lunch & Press Conference

13.20 – 14.40 **What protection does the international human rights system award to
indigenous peoples' cultural heritage?**

13.30 – 14.00 Professor *S. James Anaya*, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human
Rights and Fundamental freedoms of Indigenous People

14.00 – 14.20 Mr. *Les Malezer*, Chair of the Indigenous Caucus to the UN Declaration on the
Rights of Indigenous Peoples; Chairperson for Foundation for the Aboriginal and
Islander Research Action (FAIRA)

- 14.20 – 14.40 Questions/comments/debate
- 14.40 – 15.00 Coffee
- 15.00 – 17.00 UN activities pertaining to indigenous peoples cultural heritage outside the human rights system**
- 15.00 – 15.30 Ms. *Joji Carino*, CBD Capacity Building Project of Tebtebba Foundation
- WTO, CBD, WIPO etc. How can these be used by indigenous peoples to protect their cultural heritage? What potential dangers do these processes pose?
- 15.30 – 15.50 Ms. *Jannie Lasimbang*, Member of UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Specifically on the CBD How can it be used by indigenous peoples to protect their cultural heritage? What potential dangers does the CBD-processes pose?
- 15.50 – 16.10 Mr. *Merle Alexander*, Lawyer, General Counsel in Kaska Dena Council
- Specifically on WIPO How can it be used by indigenous peoples to protect their cultural heritage? What potential dangers does the WIPO-processes pose?
- 16.10 – 17.00 Questions/comments/debate
- End of Expert Seminar day one**
- 17.00 – 18.00 Meeting of Saami Council** (may be continued 28.10)
- 19.00 – 21.00 Buffet Dinner, Hotel Pohjanhovi

TUESDAY 28.10.2008
Expert Seminar

- 8.30 – Registration, Lappia Hall
- 10.00 – 10.05 Brief info about the day: Moderator *John B. Henriksen*
- 10.05 – 10.30 Questions/comments/debate continued
- 10.30 – 12.20 The Saami people's cultural heritage in an international perspective**
- 10.30 – 10.50 Ms. *Laila Susanne Vars*, PhD Candidate, University of Tromsø
- Saami challenges with regard to misappropriation of the Saami culture. How can the international legal system be used to address those?
- 10.50 – 11.10 Ms. *Piia Nuorgam*, Law graduate, University of Lapland
- The Finnish tourism industry and its (mis?)appropriation of the Saami culture – the Saami perspective
- 11.10 – 11.30 Representative of the Finnish tourism industry
- The Finnish tourism industry and its (mis?)appropriation of the Saami culture – the industry's perspective

- 11.30 – 12.20 Mr. *Wend Wendland*, Head, Traditional Creativity, Cultural Expressions and Cultural Heritage Section; World Intellectual Property Organization/WIPO
- The Finnish tourism industry and its (mis?)appropriation of the Saami culture – challenges from an international legal perspective
- 12.20 – 13.20 Lunch & Press Conference
- 13.20 – 14.40 Practical means to protect the Saami people’s cultural heritage: introduction**
1. Should a Saami cultural heritage foundation be established? With the foundation, traditional Saami symbols, dresses, joiks etc. could be registered, in addition to the already existing duodji trademark, which could, however be expanded. The foundation would presumably also seek to enforce that no non-Saami persons or institutions utilize traditional elements of the Saami culture.
 2. Should Saami traditional knowledge be documented with the aim to prevent non-authorized use by non-Saami? Can intellectual property tools be used to manage such a register? Who manages the register and how can it be accessed?
 3. How to establish the status of traditional knowledge within the western knowledge system? How to legitimize traditional knowledge as an evidence for instance in trials?
- Each question will be presented for about 5-7 min [introductory speakers to be confirmed]. A panel consisting of all the introductory speakers plus two Saami representatives [*to be confirmed*] will then debate the questions, but also comments from the floor will be welcomed. The panel, and other participants, are also invited to address the presentations before lunch.
- 14.40 – 15.00 A Saami trickster “*Biigá*” by Sara Margrethe Oskal, interpretation provided
- 15.00 – 15.30 Coffee
- 15.30 – 16.30 Panel discussions and debate continued
- 16.30 – 17.00 Conclusions of the Expert Seminar, Mattias Åhrén
- 17.00 – 17.30 A Saami trickster “*Boazobánni*” by Sara Margrethe Oskal
- End of the Expert Seminar**
- 19.00 – 21.00 Buffet Dinner, Fransmanni

19th SAAMI CONFERENCE 29. – 31.10.2008
WEDNESDAY 29.10.2008

- 8.30 – Registration, Lappia Hall
- 8.30 – 10.00 Meetings of Delegations, City Hall**
- 10.00 – 12.20 Opening Seremony of the 19th Saami Conference**
- Mari Boine, Artist*
Sámi Soga lávlla, Saami peoples national song
 Mr *Mauri Gardin*, City Mayor, Welcome to Rovaniemi
 Mrs *Pauliina Feodoroff*, Leader of the Saami Council
 Greetings by:
 Presidents of Saami Parliaments, invited speakers, Elder, other invited guests
- 12.20 – 13.20 Lunch & Press Conference
- 13.30 – 15.00 19th Saami Conference Meeting Procedures**
- Approval of Delegates
 Nomination of Presidium, Secretaries, Scrutinizers of the Minutes
 Approval of Agenda
 Practical Issues
 Nomination of Working Groups
- Resolutions
 - Rovaniemi Declaration
 - Elections
 - Charter of the Saami Council
- Accounts and Reports 2004-2007
 Charter of the Saami Council
 Practical issues: Directions for the delegations for Thursday
- 15.00 – 15.30 Coffee
 Attention! Possibility to continue working until 16.00!
- 15.30 – 17.00 Delegations continue their work at City Hall
- 18.00 – 20.00 Buffet Dinner, Hotel Pohjanhovi
- 21.00 Concert at Lappia Hall: Mari Boine & Band**

THURSDAY 30.10.2008**Cultural Heritage Theme Seminar**

- 8.30 – 9.30 Registration, Lappia Hall
 Meetings of Delegations, City Hall
 Meeting of Presidium
- 9.30 – 12.15 Cultural Heritage**
- 9.30 Practical issues
- 9.40 – 10.00 Introduction to the theme, Moderator
- 10.00 – 10.30 Dr HC *Samuli J. Aikio*
 Cultural Autonomy and its persistence
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Rose-Marie Huuva*, Artist and poet
 Assault on Sacred Site
- 11.00 – 11.30 Dr Jelena Porsanger, Árbediehtu Project Manager, Sámi University College
 Research Institute, Guovdageaidnu

 Árbediehtu (Traditional knowledge), Research- and Development Project:
 Methodological way of thinking

 Article (will be delivered to everyone)
 “Suttésája” (Stream in Northern Finland) author: Marja Van Bulmer
- 11.30 – 12.15 Discussions
- 12.20 – 13.20 Lunch & Press Conference
- 13.30 – 14.00 Dr *Anni-Siiri Länsman*, Director of Giellagas Institute, University of Oulu

 Regional Cultural Autonomy from the perspective of Sámi diaspora
- 14.00 – 14.30 *Tero Mustonen*, Researcher, Snowchange Cooperative

 Current Situation of Resource Exploitation in Eastern Saami Areas of
 Kola Peninsula in Context of Indigenous Peoples
- 14.30 – 15.00 *Tarmo Jomppanen*, Director of Siida Sámi Museum, Anár/Inari
 Availability of Cultural Heritage, Repatriation
- 15.00 – 15.45 Reports of the Delegations: Situation of the Cultural Heritage in each country

 Discussions
- 15.45 – 16.00 Conclusions, Moderator

End of Theme Seminar

- 18.00 – 19.00** **Wiljami**
 - Snowchange Cooperative archives will be handed over to the Sámi Museum,
 Anár/ Inari in Finland
- 17.30** - Music from Saami Artist from Finland:
Amoc, Katri Jefremoff, Jaakko Gauriloff, Tiina Aikio
- 20.00 – 22.00** Gala Dinner, Hotel Pohjanhovi
- 22.00 – 24.00** Bar Concert Pohjanhovi Life: SomBy Band, Tiina Sanila & Band

FRIDAY 31.10.2008

- 8.30 – 09.30 Meeting of Delegations, City Hall
- 09.30 – 12.20** **19th Saami Conference Agenda**
 Charter of the Saami Council
 Rovaniemi Declaration – Trademark
 Elections, members of the Saami Council
- 12.20 – 13.20 Lunch & Press Conference
- 13.20 – 16.00** **19th Saami Conference Agenda Issues continue**
 Charter of the Saami Council
 Rovaniemi Declaration
 Resolutions

CLOSING THE CONFERENCE

- 16.00 -16.30 Coffee and Press Conference

CULTURAL EVENTS:**Sámi Visual Arts Exhibition**

Galleries *Valo*, *Katve* and *Kilo*, University of Lapland (Yliopistonkatu 8)

20.10 - 6.11.2008, Opening 20.10. at 6 pm.

Open: Mon – Fri: 8 am – 5.15 pm

Sat: 8.30 am – 2.30 pm

Sun: Closed

Photographic Exhibition, Andreas Sarri: "Welcome to Shittown"

Provincial Library of Lapland, Lapponica Hall (Jorma Eton tie 6)

28.10. - 22.11.2008, Opening 28.10. at 6 pm.

Open: Mon – Thu: 11 am – 8 pm

Fri: 11 am – 5 pm

Sat: 11 am – 4 pm

Sámi Duodji 30 years, Sámi handicraft exhibition, Arktikum (Pohjoisranta 4)

1.9.2008 - 31.1.2009. Open Tuesday-Sunday 10.00 to 17.00.

Open: Mon – Fri: 10 am – 5 pm

Sámi duodji, music and books sales exhibition, Lappia Hall lobby

27.10-31.10.2008. Open Monday – Friday 8.00 – 17.00.

Open: Mon – Fri: 8 am – 5 pm

A Sámi Tricksters by Sara Margrethe Oskal, Lappia Hall

28.10.2008, "Biiga" 2.40 pm and "Boazobánni" 5.00 pm

Films in Wiljami (Urheilukatu 1)

27.10.2008: 6.15 pm (18.15) "*In the Light of Reverence*" by Christopher McLeod,

28.10.2008: 5.15 pm (17.15) "*Last Yoik in Sámi Forests*" by Hannu Hyvönen,

28.10.2008: 7.00 pm (19.00) "*Non Profit*" by Pauliina Feodoroff,

Mari Boine, Concert at Lappia Hall

29.10.2008 at 9 pm (21.00). Tickets will be available 27.-29.10. at Lappia Hall lobby

Saami Council's Cultural Program at Wiljami House (Urheilukatu 1)

Music by Sámi Artists from Finland: Amoc, Katri Jefremoff, Jaakko Gauriloff, Tiina Aikio

30.10.2008: 5 – 7 pm (17.00-19.00)

SomBy Band

Tiina Sanila Band, Concert at Pohjanhovi Life Bar

30.10.2008: 10 pm (22.00)

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