

Dear IFIP Friends,

By now, I'm sure that many of you have heard reports of the devastating disaster that hit dozens of Mayan Indian communities in Guatemala. Hurricane Stan, Central America's worst hurricane in more than a century, slammed into Guatemala in early October and uprooted tens of thousands of Indigenous peoples. According to initial estimates, Stan buried hundreds of people under mud in the remote communities of Panabaj, Santiago Atitlan, San Marcos, Quetzaltenango, Escuintla, and Sacatepequez. Nearly 657 people are presumed dead, 99 are seriously injured, 577 are missing, 120,000 are displaced, and more than 200,000 are severely affected due to damaged roads, houses, bridges, businesses. To compound the matter, relief workers are also seriously worried about the growing hunger and the possible outbreak of infectious disease. For recent article on the growing concern, see news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/americas/4426240.stm



Bridge Demolished Due to Hurricane Stan

To help cope with this disaster, one of IFIP's members, the Nahuall Foundation, directed by co-founder Ignacio Ochoa, is working with Mayan leaders, the Public Health Commission and Rescue Teams to see that aid reaches those most in need. To contribute to the relief effort, send a message to hurricane@nahuallfoundation.org. See their flyer [click here](#).

For a listing of other funds that will go to assist in aiding the Mayan People:

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International Committee Seeks Nominations

The Council on Foundations seeks nominations to fill forthcoming vacant positions on its International Committee. The committee seeks members who are committed to its goals of assisting the Council in building and extending the field of international philanthropy and increasing its effectiveness. Self-nominations are welcome. Deadline for nominations is December 31, 2005. Contact Isabelle Mack with questions (202/467-0435) or complete this [nomination form](#).

www.casaguatemala.org
www.rightsaction.org
www.puebloapueblo.org/index.html
prologoatitlan.org
www.terraexperience.com/Medical_Needs.htm
www.clinicasmaya.com
www.actionaid.org/619/guatemala_hurricane_stan.html

If your organization would like more info on how to help or would like to share on it's efforts, email ifip@internationalfunders.org.

I am pleased to announce that IFIP will be at the World Indigenous Higher Education Consortium (WIHEC) and the World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education (WIPCE) later this month. Being held in Hamilton, New Zealand, the event is an opportunity to recognize and promote Indigenous educational initiatives. Registration is still open, see www.wipce2005.com and www.win-hec.org/ for more information.

Sincerely,
Evelyn Arce-White
Executive Director, IFIP



REPORTS & ARTICLES

Continental Summit of Indigenous Nations Pueblos and Organizations Declaration Mapuche Territories

Mar del Plata, Argentina November 2-4, 2005

[Read the declaration](#)



Women & Philanthropy seeks Nominations

Nominate an exceptional person from the field of philanthropy for the 10th Anniversary LEAD Award. Nominations close on December 5, 2005. For details, [click here](#) for PDF and visit www.womenphil.org



IN THE NEWS

Victory for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

The House dropped authorization for oil and gas drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from a \$54 billion deficit reduction bill. Celebrate this victory, and read more about it [click here](#)

Valley Women Without Borders

The Global Fund for Women celebrated the achievement raising \$20 million in less than three years. [Full article click here](#)

International NGOs condemn Bushman evictions

[Click here](#) for the full story.

Botswana government officials intimidate, harass American

The Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous Peoples

The report include references to the Special Rapporteur's mandate and his various activities, including country visits and coordination and cooperation with other international and regional mechanisms, and an overview of the different human rights problems faced by indigenous people. [Click here for the report](#)



Cross-Border Exchange

The Transatlantic Community Foundation Network (TCFN), a project of the Germany-based Bertelsmann Foundation with support from the U.S.-based Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, released a report outlining the benefits and challenges of cross-border learning communities to boost community philanthropy. The report describes how international, peer-based learning communities can advance philanthropy around the globe. Download the report (PDF) [here](#).



Conservation Refugees: When Protecting Nature Means Kicking People Out

"If we want to preserve biodiversity in the far reaches of the globe, places that are in many cases still occupied by indigenous people living in ways that are ecologically sustainable, history is showing us that the dumbest thing we can do is kick them out. Read more on Mark Dowie's article. For full article [click here](#).



Pathways to Accountability

A short guide to the GAP Framework, a guide to implementing principles of accountability for international NGOs, including funders. [Click here for details](#)

visitors

Botswana government officials intimidate & harass American visitors to Central Kalahari game reserve, step up violence against bushmen inside the reserve [click here](#) for the full story.

The Temuan people of Bukit Tampoi village in peninsular Malaysia have won a ten-year battle for their land.

[Click here](#) for the full story.

New United Nations Figures for Global Deforestation are 'Bad Science' and Conceal Full Human Impact on World's Forests

[Click here](#) for the full story.

CHILE: Conflict Over Andean Glaciers Heats Up

[Click here](#) for the full story.



EMPLOYMENT

Managing Director for the EcoLogic Development Fund

The EcoLogic Development Fund, based in Cambridge, Massachusetts, is dedicated to conserving



Funding Indigenous Conservation

Environmental Grantmakers Association (EGA) Summer Magazine 2005 has published an article that IFIP submitted called "Funding Indigenous Conservation". To view see www.internationalfund.org



Ford Foundation Launches International Initiative to Strengthen Philanthropy

www.allavida.org/alliance/0506-pages05.pdf



AWARDS

UNITED NATIONS SECOND INTERNATIONAL DECADE OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

Deadline is January 15, 2006. Please check the Permanent Forum website for more details at

www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/news/news_2.htm



BP Conservation Program Announces Guidelines for Future Conservationist Awards.

The program aims to contribute to long-term environmental conservation and sustainable development in priority areas by encouraging and engaging potential leaders in bio-diversity conservation and providing opportunities for them to gain practical skills and experience. Deadline is Dec. 15, 2005. See for details:

conservation.bp.com

the unique and threatened habitat of rural Latin America by advancing sustainable community-led development in poor and indigenous communities.

[Click here](#) for a full description. To apply, please submit a cover letter and resume that includes salary history to:

Melissa Haley at mhaley@ecologic.org

EcoLogic Development Fund PO Box 382375 Cambridge, MA 02238

The Indigenous Peoples' Coordinator

The Indigenous Peoples' Network for Change project is a global indigenous peoples' initiative aimed at advancing the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. The IPNC Project will be based in the Office of the International Secretariat of the International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests. For more info on the Coordinator position contact Ms. Suraporn Suriyamonton, International Technical Secretariat of the IAIPTF, 6/1 M.1, Suthep Rd., Suthep Sub-district, Muang, Chiang Mai 50200 Thailand. Tel: +66 (0)53 904037 Fax: +66 53 277645. Application Deadline: 15 November 2005

Peace and Security Funders Group Director Position.



The Native Leadership Scholarship (NLS)

A program that creates educational opportunities for women around the world who are grassroots leaders, organizers and activists demonstrating financial need. The Channel Foundation, based here in Seattle, offers scholarships for indigenous women around the world to get masters degrees in fields that benefit their communities. See their website at www.nativeleaders.org.

The dates for application are January 1 through March 25.



Echoing Green's Fellowship Program

Echoing Green is looking for the world's best emerging social-change entrepreneurs to receive two-year fellowships. Fellows will receive up to \$90,000 in seed funding, as well as health insurance and technical assistance to help them build organizations addressing root causes of problems. Leaders over the age of 18 from any nation and field are eligible to apply. Application deadline is December 1, 2005. Find out more or make a nomination [click here](#).



Call for Biodiversity Projects: Reconciling Conservation and Development

The projects presented must comprise concrete proposals for underprivileged populations to combine the conservation of their natural heritage with activities that enable sustainable development. [Click here](#) for more info.



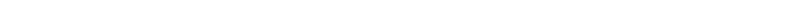
The Peace and Security Funders Group (PSFG) is an affinity group of approximately 60 grantmakers who share a common interest in programs that address a wide range of activities that include, but are not limited to, control of nuclear weapons, conflict prevention and resolution, and peace building and multilateral engagement. Resume and cover letter should be emailed to: Connie Padre, cpadre@kirschfoundation.org Applications must be submitted by November 30, 2005. [Click here](#) for full description.



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UPCOMING CONFERENCES

FOR FUNDERS ONLY

US International Grantmaking Meeting

**December 8, 2005
Chicago, IL**

The Council on Foundations will hold a one-day meeting on US international grantmaking project (USIG) which will take place on December 8, 2005 near Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. While the invitation is addressed to international grantmakers, it is open to a wider group of professionals who are interested in our mission of promoting responsible and effective international grantmaking.

United States International Grantmaking (USIG) is a project of the Council on Foundations in partnership with the International Center for Not -For-Profit Law. The USIG project facilitates effective and responsible international grantmaking by U.S. foundations. Please RSVP to Patricia Marshall marsp@cof.org by Nov. 18, 2005. Read the invitation [click here](#).



VI World Social Forum/ II Americas Social Forum

**January 22- 30, 2006
Caracas, Venezuela**

Forging Alliances South and North is assisting donors and others who wish to attend the VI World Social Forum/ II Americas Social Forum in Caracas, Venezuela, Jan 22- 30, 2006. Services include handling registration for the Social Forum and hotel reservations, pre-trip readings and travel information, a Social Forum orientation in Caracas, an optional one-day Venezuela reality program, and other assistance. Join with other funders (both individual and institutional) and social change activists to explore this regional expression of the 2006 polycentric World Social Forum. For more information, [see the flier](#) and visit: www.for-al.org.



Family Foundation Annual Conference

**January 29–31, 2006
Hilton Hawaiian Village
Honolulu, Hawaii**

From Principle to Practice: Navigating Your Course
Philanthropy continues to make lasting effects in this culturally diverse state where there is no majority ethnic population. Hawaii's approaches to such issues as school reform, elder care, child care and natural resource management are being replicated around the country. Grantmakers will learn and discuss these models with local and national foundation and non-profit leaders through thought-provoking concurrent sessions, stimulating keynote speakers, and inspiring site visits in Honolulu. Register before December 16 and save- [click here to register](#). Contact Lauren Kotkin 202/467-0438 or kotkl@cof.org for more information.



Innovation Funders Network 2006 Summit "Networks, Innovation and Social Change"

**January 30-31, 2006
San Francisco, CA**

Over the past decade, the emergence of the internet, cellular phones and other innovations in Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) has brought about profound social and economic change. We are now living in a networked society. These networks provide new ways to collaborate, express ourselves politically and culturally, address social and economic issues, and build local and global communities.

For registration info: www.innovationfunders.org/2006/Summit

OPEN TO ALL

The Pachamama Alliance Annual Rainforest Luncheon

**November 16, 2005
Noon to 1:30 PM**

**Festival Pavillion
Fort Mason, San Francisco**

Come find out about the groundbreaking work of The Pachamama Alliance both in the rainforest and here at home, and what you can do to bring forth an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling, socially just human presence on this planet. For more information, click here: www.pachamama.org/events/index.htm



**Indigenous Peoples of the Americas:
Conflict, Resistance & Peace Making**

**International Education Symposium
University of New Mexico
November 16-18, 2005**

New Mexico Native American Studies is organizing this conference, which will be held on the UNM campus. Peace Studies as a co-sponsor through the Peace & Conflict class. Please contact David Lujan at dlujan@afsc.org for more information.



**Native Wellness Institute & Seventh Generation Fund
HONORING OUR EARTH CONFERENCE**

**November 20-22, 2005
Tamaya Resort
Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico**

The Honoring Our Earth Conference is the first collaboration between the Seventh Generation Fund, an Indigenous Peoples' non-profit organization, dedicated to grassroots empowerment for the sovereignty of Native Nations and the cultural vitality of our communities with and the Native Wellness Institute, a Native American technical assistance organization focused on healing and recovery strategies for Native American peoples. For more information, call Leo or Tia at Seventh Generation Fund 707-825-7640 or Jillene at the Native Wellness Institute at 503-666-7669. Go to www.nativewellness.com to register.



**NATIVA 2005: Festival of Traditional Arts of
Baja California**

**November 26-27, 2005
11 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Hotel Mision Santa Isabel
Blvd. Lazaro Cordenas y Ave. Castillo
Ensenada, Mexico**

Native artists from the Paipai, Kumiai, Cucapa and Kiliwa communities will gather in Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico to take part in an interactive marketplace featuring the traditional arts of Baja California. This is a wonderful opportunity for the public, buyers and specialists to interact directly with indigenous artists.

The Native Arts and Traditional Foods Marketplace will be held Saturday and Sunday, November 26-27, from 11 a.m. until 4:00 p. m. at the Hotel Mision Santa Isabel, Blvd. Lazaro Cordenas y Ave. Castillo, in Ensenada. For more information, or to help sponsor this important event, please call (from USA): 1 818 264 4519; or e-mail cunabc@telnor.net. For hotel map and information, visit: www.baja.com/ENSENADA/lodging/santa_isabel



World Indigenous Higher Education Consortium Conference

**November 23-25, 2005
Hamilton, New Zealand**

This year the Annual WINHEC Meeting is also being held in Hamilton, New Zealand right before the WIPCE. The hosts are Te Wananga o Aotearoa in conjunction with WINHEC Head Office. The venue for the WINHEC meeting is the Glenview International Hotel and Conference Centre. Email Kiri Price at kiri.price@tauihu-wananga.maori.nz for conference registration and details. Visit www.win-hec.org



World Indigenous Peoples Conference On Education

**November 28-December 1, 2005
Hamilton, New Zealand**

This world renowned gathering of Indigenous educators, researchers and students will be an opportunity for honoring all previous hui (gatherings.) It also creates an occasion for bringing interesting and innovative ideas that evoke inspiration and pride as indigenous peoples. For registration info: www.wipce2005.com.



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