

Dear IFIP Friends,

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) would like to wish you the happiest of holidays and peace during the next year. IFIP also thanks you for continuing to support our efforts to raise the awareness of Indigenous issues in the philanthropic arena.



Maori dancers perform during opening of the WIPCE conference in New Zealand. Check the IFIP website soon for pics and PR on IFIP's participation at WIPCE/WINHEC Conferences

With your support, IFIP has accomplished a huge amount this year and is looking forward to next year's successes and challenges. IFIP has helped to coordinate eight events at major donor conferences throughout the year including it's own annual conference ([Click here](#) for 2005 Conference Report- day two still undergoing translation). You can read about all the conferences IFIP was involved in on our website. Please view below under the Upcoming Conferences- IFIP Events section to view some of the events we are planning for next year. Keep in mind that IFIP's next annual conference, Linking Circle V, will take place on May 16-17th at the Ford Foundation in New York City, we are currently welcoming [sponsors](#).

Other accomplishments in 2005 include holding IFIP's first award reception, which gave recognition to the Ford Foundation as the leading donor for Indigenous communities. We also enlisted 17 new esteemed and sustaining members, produced an edition of *The Sharing Circle* newsletter that was distributed at major funder's conferences ([click here](#) for the Spring/Summer 2005 edition), and expanded the monthly *The Sharing Network* e-newsletter and our website, at www.internationalfunders.org. IFIP encourages our members to submit articles for the Fall/Winter newsletter due

Become an Esteemed, Sustaining or Individual Member. Download our New membership form, [click here](#).

Sponsor IFIP's 2006 Meeting at Ford Foundation See the benefits [click here](#).



SAVE THE DATE: May 16 & 17, 2006
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January 10, 2006 as well as activities for our monthly e-newsletter.

I'm also pleased to report that IFIP is currently completing the final stages needed to become an independent organization. This accomplishment wouldn't have been possible without the help of IFIP's board members--Theresa Fay Bustillos, Executive Director Of Levi Strauss Foundation; Ken Wilson, Executive Director of The Christensen Fund; and Rebecca Adamson, President Emeritus and Founder of First Nations Development Institute.

I want to remind you that now is the perfect time to become an [IFIP Member](#) and take advantage of this unique opportunity to join our exciting network of International Funders for Indigenous Peoples. Please remember that we are only as strong as our active members and take the time to view the different sections this e-newsletter has including In the News, Nominations, Employment, Awards, Reports, and Upcoming Events.

Respectfully,
Evelyn Arce White, M.A.T.
International Funders for Indigenous Peoples



REPORTS & ARTICLES

Treasury Department Announces New Guidelines for Anti-Terrorist Financing

The U.S. Department of the Treasury issued a revised set of voluntary anti-terrorism financing guidelines to assist charitable organizations in complying with Executive Order 13224 and the USA Patriot Act following 9/11. [more](#)



Grantcraft Releases Report on “Personal Strategy: Mobilizing Yourself for Effective Grantmaking”

driven community development and will feature partnerships with donors, international organizations, and Indigenous communities. [Email](#) for registration info.

CALL TO ACTION: Urge Congress to Revise S. 2020 Provision Impacting International Grants through Donor-Advised Funds!

This provision calls for the barring of grants from donor-advised funds to non-US charities unless the foreign organization is determined to be the equivalent of a US 501(c)(3). For immediate action, visit COF's Charitable Reform Resource Center [here](#).

Native Americans in Philanthropy seeks nominations

from its membership for positions on the Board of Directors. Nominations must be received on or before March 1 to be included on the election ballot. [Download](#) nomination forms. Visit their website [here](#).

International Committee Seeks Nominations

The Council on Foundations seeks nominations to fill forthcoming vacant positions on its International Committee. The committee seeks

Can grantmakers learn to navigate successfully in situations where there's right on both sides and no clear path to resolution? This guide considers how practitioners can use personal strategy - or an active awareness of role, self, and context - to be more effective in their work and handle its challenges with greater sensitivity and confidence. [more](#)



Drug Control Agencies Need to Plan for Likely Declines in Drug Interdiction Assets and Develop Better Performance Measures for Transit Zone Operations

Watchdog challenges U.S. drug war in Colombia- and challenges administration conclusions that the drug interdiction effort known as *Plan Colombia* -- a five-year program that ends this year -- has reduced the amount of cocaine available in the United States . This U.S. government report raises serious questions about the effectiveness of the multibillion-dollar U.S. anti-drug campaign in Colombia , despite moves by the Bush administration to extend the program. [Download](#) the full report.



AWARDS

Fund for Global Human Rights Announces Request for Proposals

In early 2006, the Fund for Global Human Rights will award grants to organizations based in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mexico and Guatemala. The deadline to submit proposals for first time applicants is February 15, 2006. Send questions to: info@globalhumanrights.org or see the website <http://www.hrfunders.org/fghr/>.



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](#).

The Council on Foundations' Governance Committee is seeking nominations for the Council's Board of Directors.

Friday, December 16, 2005, is the extended deadline for nominations. For nominating materials, Council members may visit [here](#). Questions? Please contact Karen Green, Director of Governing Board Programs, at 202/467-0428 or greek@cof.org.



IN THE NEWS

Climate Campaigners Claim Greatest Success Ever at Montreal

Negotiators from more than 180 nations unexpectedly agreed to develop far-reaching measures to combat climate change. [more](#)

Canada pledged

Calling for US Activists: 2006 Human Rights Advocates Program Application

The Program helps foster proven human rights leaders' skills, knowledge, and contacts to prepare them to participate in national and international policy debates on economic globalization. An equally important aspect of the program is to promote debate and dialogue on the global economy between the advocates and the faculty and students at Columbia University as well as the NGO, policy-making, and corporate communities. [Download](#) the application.



The 27th Annual International Human Rights Training Program

June 11 - 30, 2006
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

This annual three-week training session brings together approximately 120 participants from over 60 countries. The IHRTTP provides a unique opportunity for human rights workers to deepen their understanding of human rights and of the essential role of human rights education in effecting change. The application form and full program details can be found below. *Please note that the closing date for applications is January 16, 2006.* [Full Details](#)



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 [here](#).



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

\$4.3 billion

on Friday in a landmark deal with Indian and northern Inuit communities. [more](#)

Colombia's Indigenous People Seriously Threatened by Government-Rebel Conflict

[Download PDF](#)

New Zealand Nukes Indigenous Peoples Right to Self-Determination

[more](#)



EMPLOYMENT

Program Officer for the Global Bio-Cultural Initiative at the Christensen Fund

The Christensen Fund (www.christensenfund.org), founded in 1957 and located in Palo Alto in the San Francisco Bay Area, is an independent private foundation that has long supported international work in the arts and conservation science fields. To apply please send a cover letter and resume [here](#). If you prefer to send your application by post please send to: Mayumi Fujio Morrow, 394 University Avenue, Palo Alto CA 94301, USA, marked "Confidential - Application". Applications must be

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.



UPCOMING CONFERENCES

IFIP EVENTS

Family Foundation Annual Conference

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

IFIP will hold a lunch roundtable for funders that want to learn more about the Challenges and Opportunities to support Indigenous Projects scheduled for Monday, January 30 from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. 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.



World Water Forum

March 16-22, 2006
Mexico City, Mexico

The aim of the water forum is to address looming global water scarcity and contamination and develop solutions to this crisis. Registration can be done on the World Water Forum website [here](#).

received by Wednesday, January 31st, 2006. For details [click here](#).

Earth Fund Program Assistant at Aveda

Aveda is seeking a colleague to assist in the successful management and communication responsibilities of the Aveda Earth Fund Program. Send resume to: Aveda Human Resources E-Mail: jobs@aveda.com or fax to 763-783-6850. For details [click here](#).

Windcall Futures Project Director

Reports to: Common Counsel Foundation Senior Program Officer. The Windcall Futures Project's mission is to strengthen the work of social change organizations by offering social and environmental justice organizers a renewing, cost-free, reflective retreat in a beautiful natural location. [Download](#) the full description.

Managing Director for the EcoLogic Development Fund

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

Ecologic Development Fund is sponsoring the session “Successful Indigenous Approaches to Integrated Water Resource Management and Achieving the Millennium Development Goals”, IFIP is co-sponsoring this session.

The session will bring together a panel of indigenous leaders from Mesoamerica who will discuss their successful experiences with Integrated Water Resource Management at the community level and how Integrated Approaches to Water Resource Management present opportunities for improved sustainable livelihoods and economic growth.



57th Annual Council on Foundations Conference

May 7-9, 2006

**David L. Lawrence Convention Center
Pittsburgh, PA
www.cof.org**

***Effective and Innovative Strategies for
Increasing Indigenous Grantmaking
Saturday May 6, 2006 4-6pm Room 324***

Partnership and collaboration are essential for successful grantmaking to Indigenous communities. Join this session to explore ways international grantmakers can improve their grantmaking practice. Reviews of successful cases will provide tools to enhance collaborative potential and to structure and support interpersonal relationships between grantmaker and indigenous grantee. This session will also discuss International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) accomplishments and ways to become more involved with IFIP.

Speakers include: Rebecca Adamson, President Emeritus of First nations development institute, Ken Wilson PhD, Executive Director, The Christensen Fund and Evelyn Arce-White, Director, International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP)

***International Funders for Indigenous Peoples
Annual Awards Reception
Sunday May 7, 2006 6-7PM Room 323***

Please join International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) Annual presentation of the IFIP Award, bestowed upon an individual

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

that has demonstrated efforts to increase philanthropic support for Indigenous Peoples around the world. Last year, the very first recipient of this prestigious award was presented to Susan Berresford, President of the Ford Foundation, for her leadership in increasing a greater commitment from a philanthropic institution. We are all looking forward to honoring the next philanthropic leader to be announced soon. All are welcomed to attend and take part in this momentous event. Refreshments will be provided.



**Linking Circles V: International Funders for
Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) Annual Meeting**

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For Registration Info: evelyn@internationalfunders.org



FOR FUNDERS ONLY

**IHRFG Semi-Annual Meeting: Human Rights and the Media:
Threats and Opportunities**

**Monday, January 9-10 2006
Ramada Plaza Downtown
1231 Market Street**

San Francisco, CA 94103

Independent and strong media are essential to the protection of human rights and democracy. In numerous countries, however, the media continue to be muzzled, either overtly by intimidation, arrest or even killing of journalists and reporters, or more subtly, through self-censorship, corporate monopolies that own media outlets, or political interests that promote a particular bias. In response, NGOs, funders, and media professionals in many parts of the world have developed innovative and vibrant initiatives to get human rights messages out "to the people," encouraging civil society to participate in the protection of rights.

Meeting participants will look at the challenges facing independent media worldwide, the role of the media in promoting or impeding human rights, and how we can support efforts to effectively use the media to promote and protect human rights. For more info check the links below and email Catherine Townsend at CTownsend@mertzgilmore.org.

[Download](#) the full announcement.

[Download](#) the RSVP Form.

[Download](#) the Agenda.

Visit the website www.ihrfg.org.



**Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group 6th Annual Meeting
"Building and Sharing Knowledge About
Grantmaking in Africa"**

**January 18-20, 2006
Downtown Conference Center at Pace University
157 William Street
New York, NY**

Opening reception and dinner in front of the fireplace at Morans' Chelsea restaurant, a New York landmark located at 146 Tenth Avenue in Manhattan (www.moranschelsea.com) on Wednesday evening January 18. Plenary Sessions will focus on cross-cutting issues and topics that affect all grantmakers working in Africa. These moderated sessions will center on a series of questions posed to challenge assumptions, articulate rationale, and stimulate

Contact Niamani Mutima, Director, [email](#) phone 212 812-4212. See

their website www.africagrantomakers.org.



WSF Meeting

**January 19-23, 2006
Bamako, Mali**

The WSF meeting in Bamako will likely be a relatively intimate and modest affair by WSF standards, but it is expected to draw thousands of community organizers, NGOs and social movement actors from across the continent.

FNTG's coordinator, along with a small number of funders from the US and Europe, is planning to participate in the Bamako forum. FNTG would be able to assist with registration, lodging and local transportation in Bamako, and with on-site orientation meetings and briefings as well. Please let FNTG know if you are interested in participating in the Bamako Forum. Contact Mark Randazzo, mark@fntg.org.



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.



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 [click here](#).



The Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers "The Winds of Change"

**March 15-17, 2006
Washington, DC**

It will focus on the demographic, political, and socio-economic trends influencing philanthropy. The conference welcomes international participants. Registration information will be available in mid-December at www.givingforum.org. For more information contact Paula Shoecraft at PShoecraft@givingforum.org.



The 5th Annual Global Philanthropy Forum

**April 3-5, 2006
Washington DC**

We will explore the power of individual social entrepreneurs bringing about positive change, and will consider how philanthropy can take us beyond policy to achieve societal goals. Please visit www.philanthropyforum.org/conference/2006 for updated speaker and conference program information.



Grantmakers Without Borders 2006 Conference

**June 8-10, 2006
San Mateo, CA**

GwoB will hold its 6th annual conference in San Mateo, California, June 8-10, 2006. The conference will focus on Global Social Change Philanthropy, and is open to international participants (grantmakers as well as philanthropic support entities, including funder networks). All participants are invited to submit a session proposal that focuses on grantmaking practice or other issues related to the conference theme. Submission deadline is January 5, 2006. For more information and for the proposal guidelines contact John Harvey at john@gwob.net or +1 617.794.2253.



OPEN TO ALL

**Native Leadership Forum
Native Leadership and the Challenges Ahead
"Protecting Sovereignty, Culture, Homelands and Resource
Rights, and Achieving Economic Self-Sufficiency"**

**January 9-11, 2006
Hilton Hawaiian Village
2005 Kalia Road,
Honolulu, Hawaii**

FURTHER INFORMATION: Please direct inquiries concerning the Native Leadership Forum to the American Indian Resources Institute at (209) 460-0924 (phone), (209) 460-0934 (fax), or dicktrudell@hotmail.com. Download the [Flyer/Registration Form](#).



ReGenerations: Youth Leadership in Environmental Justice

**January 17, 2006, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
437 Madison Avenue, 37th Floor
New York, NY 10022**

The briefing will provide an opportunity for participants to examine ways to strengthen their commitment to leadership development, youth organizing and environmental justice. For more information and/or to RSVP, please contact Telesh Lopez at 212.213.2113 x38 or at tlopez@jfjustice.org.



Native Philanthropy Institute & Annual Meeting

**April 10-11, 2006
Mystic Lake Casino Hotel
Prior Lake, Minnesota**

Native Americans in Philanthropy invites you to The Native Philanthropy Institute which will build awareness and capacity for fund development and fundraising, marketing and communications, leadership development and skill-building for Native projects. Our goals are to provide the growing field of Tribal and Native philanthropy with tools for strategic grantmaking, while at the same time providing these foundations and other Native nonprofits tools to raise more funds - and together to "tell their story" more effectively - remaining grounded in their communities and strength of the cultures.

Deadline for registration is March 31st. REGISTER NOW! Contact Neely Snyder for details at nsnyder@nativephilanthropy.org.
[Download](#) the Registration form.



2006 International Indigenous Business and Entrepreneurship Conference

**June 19-22, 2006
Sandia Casino & Resort
Albuquerque, NM**

The International Indigenous Business and Entrepreneurship Conference and Expo will bring together international and domestic academics and indigenous entrepreneurs and policy-makers participants who are interested and/or involved in Indigenous business and entrepreneurship. See website <http://iibec.mgt.unm>.

[edu/default.asp](#).

For more info contact Jaye Francis, Conference Coordinator Ph: (505) 277-8889, Fax: (505) 277-9868 or at iibec@mgt.unm.edu.

[Download](#) the Registration Form.



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