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Se:kon/Greetings IFIP Friends,

Dear Friend,

I hope that you are in good holiday spirits and even better health. This past year has been very productive for International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP). In fact, we're proud to announce that our membership has increased by 150 percent during the past year! And, next year promises to be even more exciting! [Click here](#), to visit our website to learn about some of our upcoming events and activities.



It's hard to believe that we are only a few weeks away from IFIP's first international gathering that will be held on January 18-19, 2008 in Querétaro, Mexico! Our [Mexico and Central American Regional Convening](#), themed "Awakening Consciousness & Forming Alliances: Indigenous Peoples and Philanthropy," promises to be another exiting event. If you haven't already done so, please [register](#) today to reserve your space and join other donors and Indigenous leaders to discuss funding strategies, as well as Indigenous issues, relevant to the region.

This year's accomplishments include; adding three distinguished Board Members, organizing a successful Annual Conference at Levi Strauss Foundation, presenting its Annual Award to The Christensen Fund in recognition of their efforts to promote and preserve Indigenous stewardships of cultural and ecological heritages, organizing an institute at EGA's Annual Conference, participating at over 8 donor forums that brought the Indigenous perspective to the Philanthropic community, along with producing our "The Sharing Network" enewsletters, bi-annual "The Sharing Circle" newsletter, article "Convergence" published in Cultural Survival and distributing complimentary copies of the "Indigenous Peoples Funders and Resource Guides" to hundreds of Indigenous communities and NGO's.


It's easy to see why IFIP has become a leading forum specifically for donors that fund Indigenous Peoples around the world, but we cannot continue our important work without your support. Visit our [website](#) and click on the DonateNow button, or [click here](#), to give an amount that you are comfortable with, as well as specify how your contribution is to be used. Plus, contribute before December 31<sup>st</sup> to make your 2007 donation tax deductible.

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

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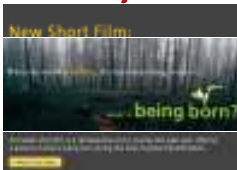
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From IFIP's family to yours, many wishes during this holiday season and we wish you a successful new year!

In Peace,

Evelyn Arce-White, M.A.T.  
IFIP Executive Director

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## REPORTS & ARTICLES

### Beyond Five Percent: The New Foundation Payout Menu

The [New York Regional Association of Grantmakers](#) has partnered with the French American Charitable Trust and Northern California Grantmakers to release *Beyond Five Percent: The New Foundation Payout Menu*, a report that examines several organizations (including NYRAG members that have charted alternative paths to the traditional lifespan of foundations.



To order print copies of *Beyond Five Percent*, please contact Yves

Inuit and Indian leaders, are emerging as some of the top stars of the Bali climate-change conference. From the Arctic to the South Pacific islands, indigenous people said they are among the first to suffer the worst effects of global warming. [more...](#)

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### Teaching With Two Voices

(Guatemala City) In the Xepanil village school in Santa Apolonia, west Of the Guatemalan capital, 20 children are learning both Spanish and the Mayan indigenous language Kaqchikel. Their teacher, Marta Lidia Rodríguez, one of thousands of bilingual education teachers in this country today, walks an hour a day to get to the school. [more...](#)

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### Ban on Logging Approved

(Buenos Aires) Pressure exerted by civil society and the creation of a compensation fund were crucial in securing the passage of a national law suspending all logging in native forests in Argentina, until such time as each province has a land use plan defining forest areas to remain untouched, and those that may be developed. [more...](#)

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### The Christensen Fund Hires New Central Asia and Turkey Program Officer

(San Fransisco) The Christensen Fund recently hired Ms. Erjen Khamaganova as its new Program Officer for Central Asia and Turkey. Ms. Khamaganova will start with the Fund on March 1, 2008 and will be reachable at [erjen@christensenfund.org](mailto:erjen@christensenfund.org).

For more information, visit the TCF website at [www.christensenfund.org](http://www.christensenfund.org).

Etheart, NYRAG's Communications Associate, at 212-714-0699 ext. 210 or at [yetheart@nyrag.org](mailto:yetheart@nyrag.org). A [PDF of the report](#) is also available for download.

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### **Working with Intermediaries: Global Grant Making Through Partner Organizations**

Making grants through an intermediary is often the simplest way to fund internationally, and sometimes the most effective. [GrantCraft](#) asked a handful of experienced grant makers and experts about the keys to finding, working with, and getting the most from international intermediaries. How does the relationship between donor and intermediary really work?



To download a free copy, visit GrantCraft's [website](#).

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## **AWARDS & NOMINATIONS**

### **Council on Foundations International Committee Call For Nominations (Deadline—12/31/07)**

The Council on Foundations seeks nominations to fill soon-to-be 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 the field's effectiveness. Self-nominations are welcome. The committee meets twice a year. New committee members will begin their two-year terms on July 1, 2008. The terms are renewable once.

**Deadline for nominations is December 31.** [Download a nomination form](#) [word] or contact [Isabelle Mack](mailto:Isabelle.Mack@cof.org) at [Isabelle.Mack@cof.org](mailto:Isabelle.Mack@cof.org) or 202/467-0435 with questions.

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### **2008-2009 International King Baudouin Development Prize (Deadline—2/1/08)**

The King Baudouin Foundation will be accepting applications until **February 1, 2008** for the 2008-2009 King Baudouin International Development Prize. Created in 1978, the prize is awarded every other year to acknowledge positive examples of development. Beyond its actual financial value of 150,000 euros, the prize gives winners international visibility and publicity before the United Nations, the World Bank, the European Union, bilateral development agencies, foundations, and international NGOs. For more information, [click here](#).

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **Executive Director, Grants Manager Network The Ford Foundation (Location TBD)**

The Grants Managers Network (GMN) provides a forum to exchange information about grants management and its relevance to efficient and effective grant making. GMN has more than 1,100 members nationwide representing 750+ private, community and corporate foundations. Twelve regional groups also support members--principally through periodic convenings--to discuss legal, technological, financial and other professional topics of mutual interest.

For more information, [click here](#).

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### **Executive Director Foundation for Sustainable Development (San Francisco)**

The Foundation for Sustainable Development (FSD) was founded in 1995 to support the efforts of local development organizations working to improve the welfare of the people living in their communities. FSD seeks an Executive Director responsible for the administration, management and implementation of all international programs, as well as the administration and management of the domestic office and financial development activities.

For more contact Alicia Robb, [click here](#).

## IFIP CONFERENCES & EVENTS



**Mexico and Central American Regional Convening**  
*Awakening Consciousness & Forming Alliances:  
Indigenous Peoples & Philanthropy*

**January 18-19, 2008**  
**Querétaro, México**

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) Invites you to our first international gathering! Join donors as we gather together with indigenous leaders to learn about current issues facing the region: immigration, local migration, cross-border issues, language, culture, preservation of traditions, bio-cultural diversity and more.

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples invites you to [REGISTER TODAY](#) for your opportunity to explore new ways to build true partnerships; discuss examples of best donor practices; and help increase awareness of the cultural, environmental and other important global issues Indigenous communities are experiencing throughout Mexico and Central America.

***Register today to reserve your space!***

The regional convening will include three main tracks to better assist donors in learning about particular areas of interest. Tracks are designed to provide a deeper understanding and knowledge of Indigenous philanthropy on the following topics: **Methodologies and Effective Strategies, Cultural Identity and Globalization, and Indigenous Rights: Policy and Practice**. The event will also feature a **Funders-Only Session** that will provide specific recommendations and guidelines for donor portfolios, as well as **Optional Pre-Conference and Post-Conference Site Visits**. *Space is limited, so register early!* There will also be a movie night, cultural performances and other exciting events.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

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**IFIP Reception & Session**

*Council on Foundations: A Leadership Summit*

**May 4, 5 & 7**  
**National Harbor, Maryland**

Mark your calendars and join us for a reception and session at the Council of Foundation's Annual Conference: A Leadership Summit. Information on the location and times will be available soon!

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## EVENTS FOR FUNDERS ONLY

### **Funders Network on Trade and Globalization**

*Root Causes of Migration: Promoting Economic Security Using Cross Border Remittances*

**January 8, 2008  
San Francisco, California**

*Join funding colleagues in a discussion about the root causes of migration including the role of trade and globalization, and strategies for addressing them. Explore how the investment power of immigrants in their home countries can reduce the "push" factors of migration.*

*Following an overview of broad economic context and consequences, leading experts in the field will examine how transnational organizing of remittances can be a powerful anti-poverty and economic development strategy that, in reducing remittance transfer fees and developing community reinvestment funds, supports both community priorities in the U.S. and sustainable development projects in home countries.*

Speakers:

- David Bacon, Journalist
- Francis Calpotura, Executive Director, Transnational Institute for Grassroots Research and Action (TIGRA)

To RSVP for this event, please contact Amanda Graves at [Amanda@gcir.org](mailto:Amanda@gcir.org) by **Monday, January 7, 2008**.

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### **Funders Network on Trade and Globalization**

*Funder Organizing Meeting on The Role of Funders in Supporting Social Justice Movement Building in the U.S. and Internationally*

**January 23-25, 2008  
San Francisco, California**

As organizations and networks link across borders and as strategic relationships between them deepen, their power to influence the debate and to shape policy outcomes grows. Funders concerned with issues of fairness, equity and sustainability are increasingly challenged to deepen our collective analysis and understanding of this phenomenon, and of the nature, impacts and potential of U.S. and international social movements.

Social movement leaders from Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas will join in the discussions. Hear results of the National Planning Committee's evaluation of the U.S. Social Forum, and learn about ongoing and new initiatives for moving the USSF process forward. In preparation for this meeting you will be able to gather and share grantmaking information among funder participants.

Please contact Mark Randazzo at [mark@fntg.org](mailto:mark@fntg.org) for more information. To register, [click here](#).

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**International Human Rights Funders Group  
Semi-Annual Meeting**  
*Human Rights and Natural Resources*

**January 28-29, 2008  
San Francisco, California**

The ability to exercise human rights depends in part on the availability of finite resources. As privatization of natural resources increases, questions of ownership and access have become crucial. Strategies for economic development clash with human rights values. The failure of governments to provide access to land and natural resources often leads to war, migration, poverty and sickness. The denial of access to land and natural resources almost always disproportionately impacts women and indigenous communities.

For more information, Catherine Townsend, Tel: (212) 609-2631, email: [info@ihrfg.org](mailto:info@ihrfg.org), or [click here](#).

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**Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group**

**Conference:**

*"Funding Impact: Partnerships, Networks, and Collaborations"*

**February 4-6, 2008  
Johannesburg, South Africa**

**Annual Retreat:**

*"Working Together to Support Development Efforts in Africa"*

**February 7-8, 2008  
Johannesburg, South Africa**

In February 2008, AGAG will convene private funders for our Annual Retreat and sponsor an inaugural Conference that will reach out to a broader audience of public and private agencies and organizations involved in development funding in Africa.

Please join us for what promise to be two unique, exciting, and important gatherings. More information and how to register at [www.africagrntmakers.org](http://www.africagrntmakers.org).

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**Change Action Partners  
Strategy Session**

**February 21, 2008**

## **New York City, New York**

Change Action Partners is a daylong strategy session that achieves diversity in philanthropy by building partnership/ collaborations between affinity groups that address structural funding inequities through intersectional approaches.

Change Action Partners encourages you to:

- bring your bright ideas, hopeful programs, and existing projects to the attention of your colleagues for possible collaboration and support,
- come and hear what others are doing and join their efforts,
- grow and generate new original partnerships onsite from our conversations.

We're looking for lively conversations that lead to tangible partnerships with a high return on investment in advancing diversity and inclusiveness in Philanthropy.

Please send questions or RSVP's to Pamela Strother at realChange Partners, [pamela@realchangepartners.com](mailto:pamela@realchangepartners.com) or 202-486-5990.

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### **Council on Foundations**

*Philanthropy's Vision: A Leadership Summit*

**May 4–7, 2008**  
**National Harbor, Maryland**

Join a gathering of philanthropic leaders unlike any the world has seen before. Whether you're brand new to philanthropy or have years of experience, from a small family foundation or a large corporate giving program, from a rural area or a big city—philanthropy needs your vision and your voice.

For more information, [click here](#).

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### **Grantmakers Without Borders** **8th Annual Conference**

*Just Giving: Global Social Change Philanthropy*

**June 8-10, 2008**  
**San Francisco, California**

Grantmakers Without Borders, a philanthropic network, is dedicated to increasing funding for international social justice and environmental sustainability and to improving the practice of international grantmaking. We offer a space for education, community and collaboration among international social change grantmakers. We advocate before policymakers on behalf of social change grantmakers, and we work to leverage the philanthropic sector to increase funding to the global South. In all our efforts, Grantmakers Without Borders is committed to the ideals of justice, equity, peace, democracy, and respect for the environment. See [www.gwob.net](http://www.gwob.net) for registration info.

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