



Corporate-Indigenous Relations Council (CIRC)

Indigenous Governance Series: Meeting Agenda

Canada's UNDRIP Legislation and Its Implications for Indigenous Governance

January 20, 2022 | 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm EST | Virtual Event (MS Teams)

This session, the second in our Indigenous Governance series, will begin with a set of introductory remarks from Indigenous leaders on the topic of *Canada's United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*, and its implications for Indigenous governance and self-determination. Following this initial overview, a facilitated discussion will be held with members, speakers, and guests.

The articles contained within the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) cover a range of issues and objectives. While these articles are targeted towards the actions of states, many will also influence the relationship between Indigenous nations and corporations, and the manner in which economic development is pursued. To better understand the implications of UNDRIP for economic development and corporate-Indigenous relations, we must first understand those articles that target Indigenous self-determination and governance, and how they will be implemented through Canada's UNDRIP legislation.

This session will explore Canada's UNDRIP legislation through a jurisdictional lens, with an emphasis on better understanding the relationships between Indigenous, federal, and provincial/territorial governments. The session will focus on the following questions:

- What do these relationships currently look like?
- How does Canada's UNDRIP legislation affect these relationships and shared jurisdictional authority?
- What do evolving jurisdictional relationships mean for the application of *Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)* and/or economic development across the country?

1:30 p.m. –

2:15 p.m. **Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Sandra Gogal, Partner, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP

Chief Scott McLeod, Nipissing First Nation

Sunny LeBourdais, Director, Transformation, Qwelminté Secwépemc

Ken Paul, Wolastoqey Nation

2:15 p.m. –

3:00 p.m. **Facilitated Discussion**

3:00 p.m.

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