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Indigenous Rights at the UN



Indigenous peoples have long played had a presence in international organisations and politics. From the Haudenosaunee and the League of Nations in the 1920s, through to UNDRIP in 2007, and to now, Indigenous Peoples have used international forums to try and assert rights, sovereignty, and claims for justice, often when domestic avenues have been less successful.

But Indigenous peoples have also been poorly represented and hardly heard at many points throughout this history; their own self-determining rights and aspirations subsumed by assertions of absolute sovereignty by settler states, including Canada, the United States, Australia, and New Zealand, seeking to 'domesticate' Indigenous nations and their issues.

This panel event, moderated by Wiradyuri man James Blackwell (ANU), and featuring Maori scholar Professor Dominic O'Sullivan (CSU), UN expert Professor Bina D'Costa, and Kombumerri woman Emily Pugin (DFAT), will explore the challenges and opportunities afforded by the UN system to Indigenous peoples, especially concerning rights and recognition.

Speakers

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Chaired by **James Blackwell**

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Details

7 -8.30 pm, Tuesday 16 July 2024

Lecture Theatre 1, Hedley Bull Building

