

2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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This page: a visit to the Wolakota Buffalo Range, part of the 2022 7Gen Investing Summit; photo courtesy of REDCO.

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends:

It is through First Peoples Worldwide's role as a convener, connector, and amplifier that we are privileged to be a part of mainstreaming the rights of Indigenous Peoples through the capital markets. I am once again delighted to present our Annual Report, and with it, the people, places, and work that drive our mission forward.

I wrote last year that the field of corporate accountability was experiencing tectonic shifts, and that is still true! We have responded to the changing landscape by building strong partnerships with a core commitment to activate levers for positive change when they appear.

Threaded throughout this report, you will find the following:

Connection.

We had coffee, meals, and meetings with you all, bringing a fullness to relationship and partnership that cannot be understated. Because our work is multi-disciplinary, these meetings allow us invaluable insights into how, when, and where our shared work elevates Indigenous solutions.

In these spaces, Indigenous Peoples' leadership is unmistakable across sectors. This leadership halts development projects that proceed without consent through shareholder engagement; improves automotive company policy on responsible sourcing; creates on-the-ground renewable energy and Net Zero solutions; and moves the markets closer to recognizing that Indigenous languages and cultures cannot be used without clear ties to Indigenous leadership, input, and consent.

Sovereignty in Net Zero.

Opportunity in the global transition to a low-carbon economy is parallel to the opportunity we have to solve for the climate crisis by integrating Indigenous values into economic models—values that point towards the wellbeing of our families, our human and non-human relatives, and our environment. What magnifies this opportunity, as I shared at the *Toward Net Zero by 2050* conference, is not only that we are meeting the demands of the energy transition in real time, but that we are faced with rectifying the challenging aspects of partnership between the private sector and Indigenous Peoples, and building better partnership founded on equity and respect.

Indigenous knowledge is a leading indicator of wellbeing amidst climate change. At the same time, Indigenous expertise has produced a tested solution set of innovation and entrepreneurial approaches to meet climate, energy, and economic challenges. Most proposed solutions for achieving Net Zero by 2050—be it clean power stations, carbon capture and storage facilities, or new mines for transition minerals—rely on using Indigenous lands and resources. Indigenous expertise housed in every sector will ultimately drive corporate commitments from words to action.

ESG+I.

Many of you have seen how the field of ESG investing is undergoing increased scrutiny on all sides of the political and social justice spectrum. While watching these shifts in real time, we began pulling together investors around the concept of putting the “I in ESG”, as formulated by our partners at First Nations Major Projects Coalition.

The idea is simple: the entire ESG framework is stronger when it considers Indigenous impact, opportunity, and solutions throughout processes. Scanning the comment letters submitted in response to the SEC’s proposed climate rule this year, over two dozen contained language advocating for recognition and integration of Indigenous Peoples in climate-related risk disclosures. Momentum is growing for operational respect for Indigenous rights.

As to Indigenous Peoples, our frameworks for designing economic principles around enoughness and sustainability have preceded us by centuries, and I am confident these values will carry on in perpetuity whether through ESG or other frameworks.

We at First Peoples Worldwide will continue our work to bring these perspectives and principles from communities and Indigenous leaders into the global discourse with persistence and integrity. We will continue storytelling through research, advancing expertise through convenings, building knowledge through workshops, and advocating for corporate responsibility at the highest levels. We are honored and inspired to move this work forward with you towards a sustainable future for all.

With gratitude for all that we’ve achieved together, and all that we will achieve in the coming years. I cannot wait to connect with you soon. Enjoy!

Warmly,



Kate R. Finn, Executive Director
First Peoples Worldwide

MISSION

**FIRST PEOPLES WORLDWIDE WORKS FROM A FOUNDATION OF
INDIGENOUS VALUES TO ACHIEVE A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR ALL.**



First Peoples Worldwide is an Indigenous-led organization that translates on-the-ground impacts of investment affecting Indigenous Peoples to corporate decision makers. Having started the flywheel of Indigenous-centered corporate engagement in the 1990s, First Peoples Worldwide is a leader in deploying strategies to move the market towards respect for Indigenous rights through the intersection of business, law, and finance. By building the business case for Indigenous Peoples' rights and wellbeing, First Peoples Worldwide increases corporate accountability, facilitates investor engagement aligned with Indigenous priorities, and supports Indigenous leadership to achieve self-determined economic goals.

The following pages encompass programmatic highlights, as well as impact and successes from initiatives produced by First Peoples Worldwide and its partners from July 2021 through June 2022. For a full list of activity, see the appendix beginning on page 37.



SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP AND SOLUTIONS

First Peoples Worldwide builds capacity for Indigenous leaders and facilitates Indigenous-led priorities, standards, and solutions to the private sector. Two projects from 2021-2022 demonstrate the how and why.



“Understanding the need for economic development, we believe that the wellbeing of some communities cannot be built at the expense of the rights of other communities, especially Indigenous communities, which make huge contributions to conservation of wildlife, biodiversity, and unique cultures.” –SIRGE Coalition

SECURING THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IN THE GREEN ECONOMY

First Peoples Worldwide partnered with Cultural Survival, the Batani Foundation, Earthworks, and Society for Threatened Peoples to form the [Securing the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in the Green Economy \(SIRGE\) Coalition](#). The Coalition, which officially launched on August 9, 2022, works to ensure Indigenous leadership, solutions, and the right to free, prior, and informed consent (FPIC) are prioritized and adhered to in the global transition to a low-carbon economy.

Many of the minerals and metals necessary for green technologies—i.e. transition minerals—are located on or near Indigenous Peoples' land and territories, which means that Indigenous Peoples are directly and urgently impacted by rising global demand for these minerals.

The SIRGE Coalition supports Indigenous communities to engage directly with mining companies, big tech, and other end-user companies to protect Indigenous rights in this transition to a green economy.



INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES ARE TAKING A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN EMERGING GREEN ENERGY ECONOMIES BY HOLDING COMPANIES ACCOUNTABLE TO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITMENTS THROUGH THE SUPPLY CHAIN AND RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT THESE IMPACTS ON INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES.

Renewable energy minerals such as nickel, lithium, cobalt, and copper are critical to the development of a green, low carbon economy. Growing dependence on battery technology, especially for electric vehicles, requires a much higher supply of renewable energy minerals. Demand for transition minerals is skyrocketing.

Yet increased mining for these resources threatens Indigenous rights and territories. A Just Transition to a low carbon economy will require governments and companies involved in the new green economy to observe and implement rights enshrined in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, including the right to Free, Prior and Informed Consent.

Indigenous territories contain significant concentrations of untapped transition mineral reserves around the world.



EARLY RESEARCH SHOWED TOP AUTOMAKERS LACK SUFFICIENT POLICY TO SCREEN FOR INDIGENOUS RIGHTS RISK

First Peoples Worldwide has been at the forefront of providing reliable data to inform engagements with decision makers in key forums. Amongst advance research into the transition mineral supply chain, First Peoples Worldwide identified eleven major automakers that have committed to the U.S.'s proposed 2030 climate goals, including to have half of all new vehicles sold be zero-emissions, but that have not fully integrated or operationalized the rights of Indigenous Peoples in their policies. Each of these companies—BMW, Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Honda, Hyundai, Mazda, Nissan, Toyota, Volkswagen, and Volvo—have human rights policies or guidelines, but none have policies specific to Indigenous Peoples. Only Ford, General Motors, Toyota, Volkswagen, and Volvo mention Indigenous Peoples at all. First Peoples Worldwide and partners are engaging with companies to initiate or improve policies.

Since 2021, First Peoples Worldwide has facilitated the founding and coordination of the Coalition. The Coalition will be directed by a Steering Committee of sixteen Indigenous leaders from each of the seven socio-cultural regions monitored by the United Nations to give broad representation to the world's Indigenous Peoples.

The message is clear:

Companies that buy or develop minerals from Indigenous Peoples lands or territories—including automakers, technology manufacturers, smelters, and suppliers—must take actionable steps to fulfill their responsibility to respect Indigenous Rights. The overarching strategy of the SIRGE Coalition is to advance Indigenous leadership through advocacy, capacity building, communications and grantmaking.

To further elevate the self-determined priorities of Indigenous Peoples in the just transition to a low carbon economy, and in alignment with our mission to move markets towards respect for the rights of Indigenous Peoples, First Peoples Worldwide has implemented an extensive shareholder engagement strategy and presented in key forums including the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples, the Council on Institutional Investors, the Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group, and the Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility. We also conducted more than ten capacity-building training sessions to educate investors about this issue and to champion Indigenous-led solutions and innovations around economic and energy sovereignty.



INDIGENOUS-LED SOLUTIONS TO NET ZERO COMMITMENTS AND CLEAN ENERGY

Indigenous equity ownership of clean energy projects and climate solutions infrastructure helps address and remedy the dual crises of economic disenfranchisement by the effects of colonization and increasing impacts from the climate crisis.

Most proposed solutions to achieve Net Zero by 2050 rely on using Indigenous lands and resources to build clean energy infrastructure and extraction projects, estimated to be worth up to \$6 trillion in investments. This requires a fundamental transformation in virtually all aspects of industry and the economy to include Indigenous participation in such critical areas as the battery mineral supply chain, clean energy transition, sustainable finance, and policy and legislation innovation.

At the invitation of the First Nations Major Projects Coalition (FNMPC), First Peoples Worldwide co-hosted the ***Toward Net Zero by 2050*** conference in Vancouver, April 24-25, 2022, to address these issues and more. The first major North American conference of its kind brought together Indigenous and industry leadership to present Indigenous-led clean energy and Net Zero solutions that avoid harmful extractive deal-making with Indigenous Peoples. (Read the [primer](#) and [outcomes](#) reports, and watch [archival video](#) from the conference.)

This was First Peoples Worldwide's first major in-person event since lockdowns started in 2020, with over 900 in-person and 400 virtual international participants in attendance. According to the FNMPC, Indigenous leaders, C-suite executives, investment professionals, policy-makers and experts at all levels "presented ideas that together laid new ground on what Indigenous nations, industry sectors, and governments can each do to achieve solutions to climate change and Indigenous economic reconciliation, specifically, a new reality in which Indigenous nations own, or are presented with the opportunity to own, equity ownership in energy infrastructure projects."

Working closely with the FNMPC to build the agenda and secure speakers that set forth critical Indigenous perspectives, First Peoples Worldwide facilitated participation from the U.S. Department of Energy and several U.S.-based Native clean energy enterprises and put focus on women's leadership in sustainable finance. Leaders on the dais represented the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, DOE, Navajo Power, SAGE Development Authority, Native Sun Community Power Development, Native Women Lead, Roanhorse Consulting, National Indian Carbon Coalition and the Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance (IRMA).

Conference outcomes:

- The transition to a sustainable, clean energy economy needs to be prioritized in the U.S., Canada, and globally both immediately and over the years and decades ahead with Indigenous Peoples at the forefront.
- Existing sustainable finance standards like ESG must consider Indigenous interests and fully account for the investment risk of the proposed new clean energy projects, transmission lines and vastly increased mining activities.
- As the *starting point* for project development and deal-making, energy policy and regulations must be made compliant with the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP).

In addition to the ideas and solutions presented on the mainstage, important conversations took place leading up to the conference, and the conference was followed by continuing dialogue aimed towards realizing a sustainable economy *with* Indigenous Peoples and not at their expense.

IIPWG: INDIGENOUS RIGHTS IN SHAREHOLDER ADVOCACY, ESG, AND REGULATORY PRACTICE

First Peoples Worldwide supports Indigenous finance leaders and impact investors to advance Indigenous rights in capital markets through shareholder advocacy and direct engagement with companies and regulatory standard setters.



First Peoples Worldwide serves as Secretariat for the [Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group \(IIPWG\)](#). Having been active in the group since its founding in the early 2000s, and serving as Secretariat since August 2020, First Peoples Worldwide supports Indigenous leaders to connect directly with investors on time-critical engagements and spotlights water and land protectors, tribal entities, and Indigenous-led NGOs to elevate awareness to issues and challenges.

IIPWG comprises finance professionals from across North America and Europe, who work to address contemporary challenges facing Indigenous Peoples globally and to mainstream Indigenous rights in Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria. Action encompasses shareholder advocacy, corporate engagement, and expert resource development in partnership between investors and Indigenous Peoples. IIPWG also promotes participation by Indigenous leaders at investment and finance industry events.

IIPWG's Native name is Yethiya wihe', meaning "We all give to them/We all invest in them" in the Oneida language. IIPWG's work centers on four priority areas:

1. Ensuring Indigenous Peoples' right to free, prior, and informed consent (FPIC);
2. Addressing the impact of extractive industries on the environment and Indigenous communities;
3. Ending the use of racist images, stereotypes, and cultural appropriation; and
4. Building corporate and investor support for Indian Country and Indigenous entities globally.

Monthly calls serve as a clearinghouse for information, news, and joint action to bring together Indigenous and non-Indigenous leadership on issues related to sustainable and responsible investing. In addition to facilitating these calls, First Peoples Worldwide provides tools and resources for high-level professional engagements; conducts research and content development for public statements, briefs, and shareholder letters; publishes follow-up newsletters after monthly calls; and produces webinars and industry roundtables on topics ranging from improving regulatory considerations of Indigenous Peoples to investment approaches in Indian Country, each a direct response to members' requests for more information on the specific topic.

IIPWG 2022 Webinar

Investment in Indian Country: Supporting Sovereignty, Seeding Solutions

Thursday, February 17, 11:00 am ET



Chrystel Cornelius Oweesta Corporation	Jaime Gloshey Native Women Lead	Jacqueline Jennings Raven Indigenous Capital Partners	Jennifer Astone (Moderator) Integrated Capital Investing
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*Presented by the **Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group***

In its role as Secretariat, First Peoples Worldwide has continued to grow and increase the ecosystem of allied investors working to improve corporate accountability of Indigenous Peoples rights, and facilitated a 40% increase in participants between 2021 and 2022.

As a connector of strong coalitions of Indigenous Peoples, investors, and corporate entities, First Peoples Worldwide provides communications that deliver impactful messaging; facilitates critical conversations between disparate groups; and provides high-level tools and resources to further Indigenous rights in corporate spaces.



2021-2022 IIPWG ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Eliminating Racist Names in Sports and Public Places

In the early 2000s, Native finance leaders and allies engaged alongside organizers of a major social investment conference to address the racist name of the host venue, a famed Tahoe resort. This marked the beginnings of IIPWG, which grew as a coalition of concerned investors to engage on issues impacting and inclusive of Indigenous Peoples. The racist name of the resort [was changed](#) in September 2021.

In February 2022, following more than [five decades of Native-led frontline advocacy](#) and more than a decade of [investor and shareholder advocacy](#), IIPWG welcomed the Commanders as the new name of the Washington Football Team. The name change affirmed "the critical importance for sports franchises to eliminate racist representation and appropriation of Native American culture and people in U.S. sports," IIPWG said in its statement.

“We recognize Native leaders and organizers on the frontlines who for decades have promoted Native visibility and worked to eradicate racist stereotypes in corporate culture and society.” –IIPWG

Raising Indigenous Rights Risk and Harms to Line 3 Financiers

After being contacted by Honor the Earth and Giniw Collective, two Indigenous NGOs concerned about the harmful impacts to the Anishinaabe from the construction of the Enbridge Line 3 tar sands pipeline, First Peoples Worldwide prepared an [investor brief](#) and supported IIPWG to produce a sign-on statement to banks that financed the pipeline.

In March 2022, First Peoples Worldwide facilitated delivery of [the statement](#) signed by 158 investors representing \$2.09 trillion in assets under management to Line 3 financiers, including 10 major U.S. and Canadian banks. All banks responded to the letter and most requested follow-up details or meetings, where First Peoples Worldwide has served as a facilitator and provided expert testimony. Engagements are ongoing.

Securing Consideration of Indigenous Rights in the SEC’s Proposed Rule on Climate-Related Disclosures

First Peoples Worldwide supported initial [civil society action](#) led by Amazon Watch to recommend that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) encompass Indigenous rights in its proposed climate risk disclosure rule. We brought the issue to IIPWG, which delivered a [preliminary letter](#) to the SEC with investor concerns; prepared a number of capacity building resources for investors; and hosted a roundtable with 110 registrants to discuss formal comment on the rule. IIPWG submitted its [comment](#) in June 2022.

With support from First Peoples Worldwide and Amazon Watch, IIPWG was the only investor organization in meetings with the SEC that articulated the connection between climate-related disclosures and Indigenous Peoples. By providing template language and resources, First Peoples Worldwide supported multiple industry, environmental, and faith-based investors to include Indigenous rights in their own comments, resulting in at least two dozen comment letters utilizing the language.

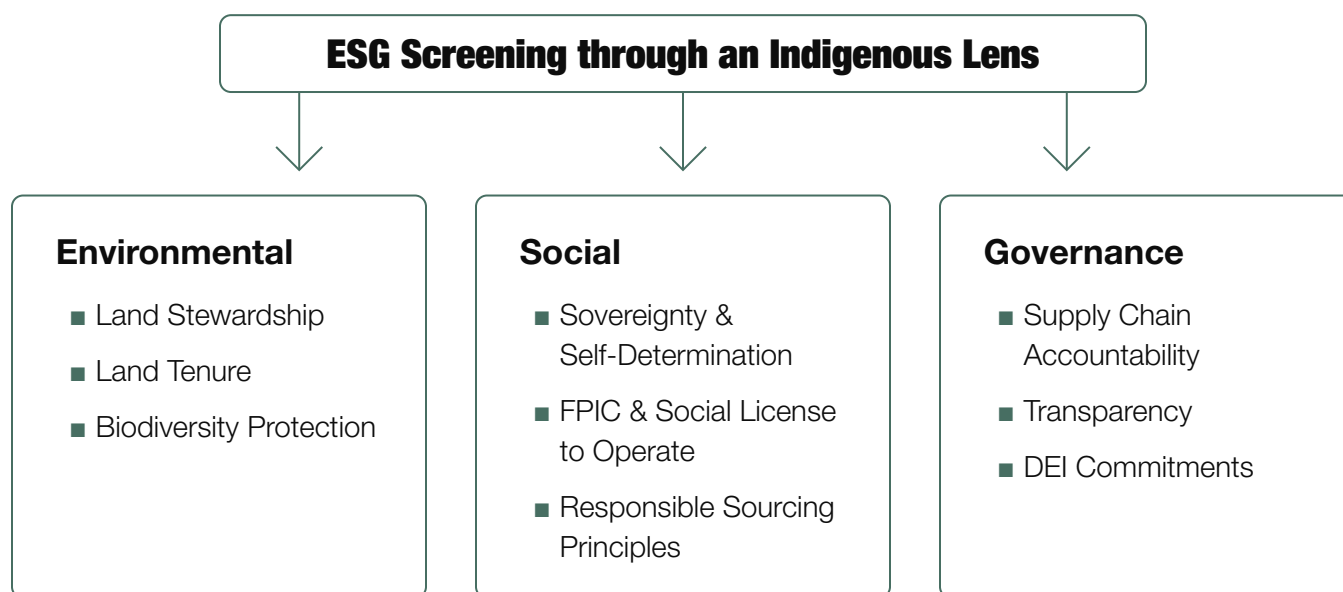
ESG+I: THREADING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES THROUGH ESG FRAMEWORKS

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) is a foundational framework to measure and operationalize socially responsible and sustainability-focused investing. ESG metrics help investors understand company commitments to human rights and climate initiatives and can also provide a valuable framework to protect Indigenous Peoples' rights in investment.

Advanced by the First Nations Major Projects Coalition in 2021, a central argument to including the "I" in ESG—or ESG+I—is that failure to consider the rights and self-determined priorities of Indigenous Peoples throughout ESG creates material business and reputational risks for corporations and their shareholders.

These risks stem in most cases from lack of free, prior, and informed consent (FPIC), from degradation of resources and the environment, and from any human rights violations.

As more companies seek rights-respecting metrics as part of their due diligence, and take into account Indigenous rights risks in alignment with international standards, First Peoples Worldwide advocates to reframe the ESG matrix through an Indigenous lens. This provides a necessary focus to achieve sustainable goals in investment and avoids unseen costs and losses from harm to Indigenous Peoples. It also provides leverage for investors to screen companies that are not meeting their stated commitments as to Indigenous Peoples.



CONVENING, CONSULTATION, AND CAPACITY BUILDING

First Peoples Worldwide connects partners across sectors and fields for collaboration, information sharing, and connection by presenting and engaging in convenings to integrate Indigenous perspectives. This comes in the form of Shareholder Advocacy Leadership Training (SALT) workshops and other training for Indigenous Peoples, as well as training and briefings for corporations, financial institutions, and investors.



In **FY 2021-2022, First Peoples Worldwide presented or participated in over 50 in-person and virtual public events, connecting directly with over 5000 individuals.** Highlights in addition to the *Toward Net Zero by 2050* conference and IIPWG events mentioned previously:

- June 29, 2022 - *Securing Indigenous Rights in the Green Economy* presented by Cultural Survival
- June 27, 2022 - *FPIC in the Insurance Industry*, part of Insure Our Future's Insurance Campaigning Academy
- June 23, 2022 - *Protecting Indigenous Rights in the Arctic through Shareholder Engagement* with Confluence Philanthropy
- June 14, 2022 - *Promote Corporate Action on Climate & Human Rights Today* with Green America
- June 7, 2022 - *Investing for Impact in Indigenous Communities*, part of US SIF Forum 2022
- June 6, 2022 - *Driving Progress on Climate-related Disclosures*, part of *Economist* magazine's Economist Impact Annual Sustainability Week
- May 23-26, 2022 - *Reservation Economic Summit 2022* by National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development
- May 5, 2022 - *Indigenous Transition Mineral Coalition Panel Indigenous Solutions toward the New Energy Economy: Transition Minerals, Mining, and FPIC*, a side event of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Twenty-First Session
- May 2, 2022 - *Indigenous Shareholder Advocacy & Leadership Training: Operationalizing FPIC in the Transition to Net Zero*, a side event of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Twenty-First Session
- April 19, 2022 - *What does insurance have to do with Arctic drilling?* presented by Environment America and Sierra Club
- April 18, 2022 - *Market-based and Policy Advocacy Strategies*, part of a three-part funder briefing co-coordinated with Cultural Survival
- April 7, 2022 - *Net Zero: Indigenous Women In Sustainable Finance & Business* with First Nations Major Projects Coalition
- March 30, 2022 - *Using Human Rights Due Diligence to Enable a Just Transition* by ICCR

- March 2, 2022 - *How are Insurance Companies Measuring up on Climate Risk?* by Sunrise Project and Rainforest Action Network
- December 6, 2021 - Opening statement at *Indigenous Peoples' led business enterprises and autonomies* session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues International Expert Group Meeting
- December 1, 2021 - *Indigenous Perspectives on a Just Transition to Net Zero* at RIA Transition Finance Week
- October 15, 2021 - *Championing Indigenous Peoples' Rights through Shareholder Advocacy*, part of the ICCR 2021 Fall Conference
- October 11, 2021 - *Plenary: Race, Gender, Climate and Economics: How to Integrate What is Inseparable*, part of the ESG 2021 For Impact! conference presented by First Affirmative Financial Network
- September 22, 2021 - *Indigenous Peoples and the Green Economy: Transition Minerals, Human Rights and Investment Risks* at the Council of Institutional Investors Fall 2021 Conference, co-organized with Nathan Cummings Foundation


Indigenous Partnership Success Showcase (IPSS)

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INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

When international bodies such as the United Nations issue statements or hold hearings on violations of Indigenous rights, corporate actors pay attention. In turn, this international pressure has led to communications with global industry leaders about the intersection of Indigenous rights with their projects and work.



Indigenous peoples have the right to maintain, control, protect and develop their traditional knowledge and cultural heritage instead of seeing it commercialized without consent, consultation or inclusion.

– as stated in UNDRIP Art.31

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 **United Nations** | Department of Economic and Social Affairs

First Peoples has continued to lead successful international engagements to parallel ongoing corporate advocacy and generate attention from the international community on threats to Indigenous Peoples. In August 2021, the **United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)** responded to First Peoples' continuing communications for early warning and urgent action to protect the Coastal Plain of the Arctic Refuge. This was the [third response](#) and significant recognition that the U.S. Government's lack of permanent protections for the Arctic Refuge could amount to rights violations of the Gwich'in Nation.

In October 2021 and May 2022, CERD [responded to two requests](#) that First Peoples coordinated on behalf

of Honor the Earth and Giniw Collective, Indigenous-led organizations opposing the Line 3 pipeline. These letters provided strong articulations about abuses suffered by Indigenous human rights defenders, as well as treaty rights violations by the U.S. CERD also [continued inquiry](#) into these allegations during the U.S.'s regular review in August 2022.

Each of these inquiries by CERD generates more international interest, which helps to further build the business case for recognition of FPIC and moves corporate behavior towards systemic change. Often, as in these cases, First Peoples Worldwide leads a corporate strategy that dovetails with these international engagements.

In addition to engagements with CERD, First Peoples Worldwide consulted on the **Inter-American Commission on Human Rights** report [Right to Self-Determination of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples](#) and delivered the [opening statement](#) of the **United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues International Expert Group Meeting** about Indigenous Peoples, business, autonomy, and the human rights principles of due diligence, including FPIC.



SUCCESSSES THROUGH PARALLEL CORPORATE AND INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIES: THE GWICH'IN STEERING COMMITTEE

The **Gwich'in Steering Committee (GSC)** leads a decades-long campaign to protect the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. This land is sacred to the Gwich'in as the calving ground of the Porcupine Caribou herd, which has provided subsistence and the foundation of Gwich'in culture since time immemorial. Protections for the Arctic Refuge were undone by the 2017 *Tax Cuts And Jobs Act*, which mandated leasing of the sacred Coastal Plain for drilling and exploration despite lack of consent from the Gwich'in Nation and other impacted Indigenous Peoples.

Since then, with support from First Peoples Worldwide and other allies, the GSC has [secured a string of successes](#) in its strategy to engage companies to not finance or insure oil and gas projects in the Arctic Refuge. As of this writing, 17 international insurers have come alongside 29 global banks with protective policies, and as of Summer 2022, all corporate interests exited leases to develop the Coastal Plain, including those that had purchased leases in the 2021 and legacy lease holders that bought exploratory tracts in the 1980s. Net income from the 2021 sale was less than \$10 million of the projected \$1.8 billion revenue, which does not factor payouts to legacy lease holders or costs associated with ongoing litigation and the need for a second feasibility study.

First Peoples Worldwide supported development and publication of the GSC's [insurance scorecard](#), which rates policies across the industry. Though there has been much traction on the international front from engagements to create and update the scorecard, the U.S. insurance industry is lagging. Engagements are ongoing.

RESEARCH & PUBLICATION

First Peoples Worldwide has published and continues to produce a body of research and resources that telegraph the materiality of Indigenous rights to corporate decision makers, risks that occur when Indigenous Peoples are not invited to participate in projects that impact them, and solution sets where there is Indigenous-led opportunity.



In addition to the recent articles and evergreen publications below, First Peoples Worldwide initiated research on Native food supply chains, Indigenizing catalytic capital, endowment integration of Indigenous rights, and criteria to expand investor screening metrics for Indigenous rights risk, to be published FY 2022-2023.

INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

Article highlights from 2021-2022 (published by First Peoples Worldwide unless otherwise noted; see the full list in the appendix):

■ **[The Business Case for Indigenous Rights](#)**

Stanford Social Innovation Review, Summer 2022, co-written with Amazon Watch.

■ **[Indigenous Rights as a Central Value in Investing in Net Zero](#)**

Cultural Survival Quarterly, June 2022

■ **[At UNPFII Twenty-First Session, Indigenous Leaders Demand Better FPIC Implementation from Transnational Businesses and Highlight Indigenous-led Solutions](#)**

June 30, 2022

■ **[Reaching net zero targets includes working with Indigenous people](#)**

ReNew Canada, April 19, 2022; co-written with First Nations Major Projects Coalition.

■ **[SEC Climate Rule: A Good First Step for ESG but Falls Short without Consideration of Indigenous Peoples](#)**

March 31, 2022

■ **[Without Menominee Consent, New Back Forty Mine Developers Do Not Have Social License to Operate](#)**

March 18, 2022

■ **[Pipeline Finance and Respect for Indigenous Rights](#)**

ProxyPreview, March 16, 2022; co-written with Investor Advocates for Social Justice.

■ **[Prioritizing Safety, Wellbeing and Good Relationships through Investment in Indian Country](#)**

February 28, 2022

■ **[Global Demand for Transition Minerals Requires Immediate Consideration of Indigenous Peoples' Rights throughout Policy and Practice](#)**

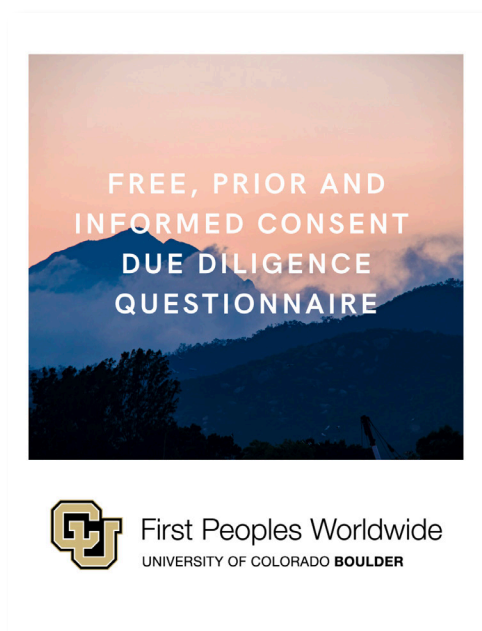
December 22, 2021

■ **[Indigenous Leaders at COP26: Support Indigenous-Led Solutions to the Climate Crisis](#)**

November 22, 2021

■ **[Tribal Nations, Indigenous Peoples Call for the U.S. to Prioritize the Inherent Right of Consent in Consultations](#)**

July 30, 2021



EVERGREEN STUDIES AND REPORTS:

- [*Social Cost and Material Loss: The Dakota Access Pipeline*](#) - Cited widely in academic scholarship, industry reports, and media sources since its publication in 2018, First Peoples Worldwide uses its landmark case study to demonstrate material risk when businesses ignore or fail to consider impacts on Indigenous communities.
- [*The Free, Prior and Informed Consent Due Diligence Questionnaire*](#) - Developed using the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as the foundation for FPIC standards, this sought-after tool for investors, Indigenous Peoples, corporations, and organizations helps develop enduring frameworks to respect and protect Indigenous rights in business practice.
- [*Harnessing Private Equity for Indigenous Peoples*](#) - This paper examines how to better scale enterprise in Indian Country through private equity and the core values of Indigenous self-determination, equity in power and decision-making, positive social impact, and financial excellence.
- [*Indigenous Rights Risk Report*](#) - This benchmark report applies the first quantitative metrics for measuring risk of financial losses caused by conflicts with Indigenous Peoples to 52 U.S.-based oil, gas, and mining companies with operations on or near indigenous land, to predict expensive controversies.

ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW



STRATEGY & STAKEHOLDERS

First Peoples Worldwide builds the business case for respect for Indigenous Peoples through the following strategies:



Capacity Building

- Shareholder Advocacy Leadership Training (SALT) workshops and other trainings for Indigenous Peoples, corporations, financial institutions, and investors.
- Creating resources, as well as providing access and context for existing resources.
- Connecting and integrating partners across sectors and fields for collaboration, information sharing, and growth.



Corporate Engagement & International Advocacy

- Working directly with Indigenous leadership and organizations to design and deploy targeted corporate engagement campaigns.
- Executing parallel international advocacy to elevate ongoing human rights violations at an international level.
- Facilitating high-level dialogue between Indigenous Peoples and corporations where there is a direct impact on Indigenous lands, territories, resources, and rights.



Network

- Serving as Secretariat for the Investors and Indigenous Peoples Working Group to mainstream Indigenous knowledge as a critical factor in decision-making.
- Presenting and engaging in convenings to integrate ongoing initiatives and the Indigenous perspective.



Research and Tools

- Providing tools, resources, and other mechanisms for corporations, financial institutions, and investors to better integrate Indigenous rights, as enumerated in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, into routine business operations.
- Developing and publishing research and case studies to draw out overarching patterns and themes in the field.

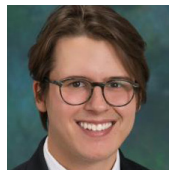


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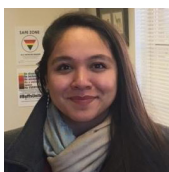
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Scholarships



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEE

2021-2022 Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights and Business Scholarship

First Peoples Worldwide and the Leeds School of Business [awarded Desmond Bruguier](#) the 2021-2022 **Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights and Business Scholarship**. Desmond is an enrolled member of the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of Fort Peck and was a first-year business student at Leeds. Desmond hopes to start his own consulting and business group to work with Native entrepreneurs and build capacity for sustainable economic growth. “I want to continue to find ways to leverage my experiences and education to assist Native Americans with achieving their specific goals,” he said.

The Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights and Business Scholarship provides support to current or admitted Leeds School of Business MBA students who are members of a federally recognized American Indian tribal community or show a commitment to the advancement of Indigenous rights.



INTERNSHIP/EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Complementing our commitment to develop young professionals interested in working at the intersection of business, law, and finance, the First Peoples Worldwide [internship and externship program](#) recognizes the important benefit to develop deep research and analysis skills early so that graduate students can walk into the workforce with literacy in Indigenous rights, market-based research, and corporate advocacy.

First Peoples hosted two summer interns in 2021, a spring and fall extern for the 2021-2022 academic year (receiving course credit), and four summer interns in 2022. Through generous support from funders we were able to offer paid internships, with direct opportunities for mentorship within First Peoples Worldwide staff.

Interns and externs provided supporting research to international advocacy, including working on the Line 3 early warning and urgent action requests filed with the UN Committee to End Racial Discrimination, which resulted in multiple responses from the Committee. Interns also worked to develop a robust research library for early efforts to engage with and target potential insurers of development in the Arctic Refuge. Work also included advanced research to update the Dakota Access Pipeline material loss case study, providing legal research and analysis to cutting-edge international law questions, and assisting partner organizations with reports to United Nations treaty bodies. Each of these projects allowed interns to hone their research, writing, and presentation skills, and to contribute to a meaningful project with direct impacts to First Peoples Worldwide's ongoing campaigns.

ADVISORY BOARD

As of July 1, 2022

First Peoples Worldwide is grateful for the guidance and expertise of its Advisory Board, which encompasses original leadership of the program and all who are on the vanguard of activating and shaping industry and capital markets towards the rights of Indigenous Peoples.

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DONATION OPPORTUNITIES



SUSAN WHITE YETHIYA WIHE ADVOCACY FUND

The [Susan White Yethiya wihe Advocacy Fund](#) was established to provide support for First Peoples Worldwide in memory of Susan White, Trust and Enrollments Director for the Oneida Nation and Co-Chair of the Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group.

For many years, Susan spearheaded efforts to promote sustainable and responsible investing in Indian Country. Her advocacy on behalf of the Oneida Nation to protect water, land, and Indigenous Peoples achieved powerful results, and was recognized by the SRI Conference Service Award and the Harvard University Honoring Nations American Indian Economic Development Award.

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DONATION OPPORTUNITIES



REBECCA ADAMSON INDIGENOUS RIGHTS & BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP

In 2019, First Peoples Worldwide and the Leeds School of Business at the University of Colorado established the [Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights & Business Scholarship](#) in honor of First Peoples Worldwide's founder and Indigenous economist Rebecca Adamson.

Working with many organizations, companies, and communities, Rebecca has spent some 50 years harnessing traditional Indigenous knowledge for contemporary application. She had the foresight to mobilize investors and Indigenous Peoples to shift corporate behavior towards robust consideration of Indigenous Peoples' rights.

The scholarship is open to incoming full-time MBA students who belong to a federally recognized American Indian tribe or who demonstrate a commitment to Indigenous rights.

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NATIVE VOICES
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APPENDIX

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- June 30, 2022 - [FPW Quarterly Newsletter - Summer 2022](#)
- June 30, 2022 - [At UNPFII Twenty-First Session, Indigenous Leaders Demand Better FPIC Implementation from Transnational Businesses and Highlight Indigenous-led Solutions](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- June 23, 2022 - [IIPWG June 2022 Newsletter](#)
- June 13, 2022 - [United Nations Responds a Second Time to Violations of Anishinaabe Rights, Signals Priorities for Imminent Review of U.S.'s Racial Discrimination Record](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- June 2021 - [Indigenous Rights as a Central Value in Investing in Net Zero](#), Kate R. Finn, *Cultural Survival Quarterly*
- June 2021 - [The Business Case for Indigenous Rights](#), Kate R. Finn and Moira Birss, *Stanford Social Innovation Review*
- [Reaching net zero targets includes working with Indigenous people](#), Kate R. Finn and Mark Podlasly, *ReNew Canada*
- May 31, 2022 - [IIPWG May 2022 Newsletter](#)
- April 8, 2022 - [UNPFII 2022 Side Events: Indigenous-led Transition Minerals Panel and FPIC Leadership Training](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- April 1, 2022 - [FPW Quarterly Newsletter - Spring 2022](#)
- March 31, 2022 - [SEC Climate Rule: A Good First Step for ESG but Falls Short without Consideration of Indigenous Peoples](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- March 24, 2022 - [IIPWG March 2022 Newsletter](#)
- March 22, 2022 - [Gwich'in Steering Committee Insurance Industry Arctic Refuge Policy Scorecard](#), Gwich'in Steering Committee with support from First Peoples Worldwide
- March 18, 2022 - [Without Menominee Consent, New Back Forty Mine Developers Do Not Have Social License to Operate](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- March 16, 2022 - [Pipeline Finance and Respect for Indigenous Rights](#), Kate R. Finn and Jillianne Lyon, *Proxy Preview*
- March 11, 2022 - [New SEC Rule Must Integrate Respect for Indigenous Rights to Address Climate Crisis and Fulfill Global ESG Commitments](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- March 2022 - [Joining Together for a Just Transition: Indigenous Leadership in Emerging Green Economies](#), First Peoples Worldwide with Cultural Survival, Batani Fund, Aborigin Forum, Earthworks, and the Society for Threatened Peoples; *Cultural Survival Quarterly*
- February 28, 2022 - [Prioritizing Safety, Wellbeing and Good Relationships through Investment in Indian Country](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- February 28, 2022 - [IIPWG February 2022 Newsletter](#)
- February 7, 2022 - [SAVE THE DATE - Investment in Indian Country: Supporting Sovereignty, Seeding Solutions](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- January 31, 2022 - [Native and Investor-led Advocacy to Change the Washington Football Team's Name: A Timeline](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- January 27, 2022 - [IIPWG January 2022 Newsletter](#)
- December 28, 2021 - [Save the Date: FNMPC's Toward Net Zero by 2050 Conference](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- December 28, 2021 - [FPW Quarterly Newsletter - Winter 2021](#)
- December 22, 2021 - [Automakers Have No Unique Policy to Consider Indigenous Peoples' Rights Despite U.S. Push to Accelerate Electric Vehicle Production](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- December 22, 2021 - [Global Demand for Transition Minerals Requires Immediate Consideration of Indigenous Peoples' Rights throughout Policy and Practice](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- December 22, 2021 - [IIPWG December 2021 Newsletter](#)
- December 16, 2021 (updated) - [UN Investigates Allegations that the U.S. Violates the Human Rights of the Gwich'in with Proposed Oil and Gas Development](#), First Peoples Worldwide

- December 7, 2021 - [First Peoples Worldwide, Leeds School of Business Announce 2021-22 Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights and Business Scholarship](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- November 24, 2021 - [Native Food Supply Chain Research Project Gathers Insights and Solutions from Indigenous-led Businesses and Producers](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- November 23, 2021 - [IIPWG November 2021 Newsletter](#)
- November 22, 2021 - [Indigenous Leaders at COP26: Support Indigenous-Led Solutions to the Climate Crisis](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- November 17, 2021 - [First Peoples Worldwide Annual Report 2020-2021](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- November 2021 - [First Peoples Worldwide 2020-2021 Annual Report](#)
- October 27, 2021 - [IIPWG October 2021 Newsletter](#)
- October 13, 2021 - [First Peoples Worldwide Receives Grant to Build the Evidence Base on Catalytic Capital in Indigenous Communities](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- October 12, 2021 - [88energysriskybusiness.com](#) and [toolkit](#), Arctic Refuge Defense Campaign coalition with support from First Peoples Worldwide
- September 29, 2021 - [FPW Quarterly Newsletter - September 2021](#)
- September 22, 2021 - [IIPWG September 2021 Newsletter](#)
- September 13, 2021 - [Recording - IIPWG Investor Briefing: Elevating Indigenous Rights in ESG Disclosures](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- September 3, 2021 - [United Nations Requests Response from U.S. about Allegations of Indigenous Peoples' Human Rights Violations from Line 3 Construction](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- August 24, 2021 - [IIPWG August 2021 Newsletter](#)
- July 30, 2021 - [Tribal Nations, Indigenous Peoples Call for the U.S. to Prioritize the Inherent Right of Consent in Consultations](#), First Peoples Worldwide
- July 20, 2021 - [IIPWG July 2021 Newsletter](#)
- July 19, 2021 - [First Peoples Worldwide Remembers Dr. Mark Meaney – Consummate Scholar, Partner and Friend](#), First Peoples Worldwide



Automakers Have No Unique Policy to Consider Indigenous Peoples' Rights Despite U.S. Push to Accelerate Electric Vehicle Production

Early research into transition mineral demand found that the eleven automakers supporting the U.S. prioritization of electric vehicles do not have policy to activate rights-based engagements with Indigenous Peoples. [Read more](#)



Native Food Supply Chain Research Project Gathers Insights and Solutions from Indigenous-led Businesses and Producers

With support from Native American Agriculture Fund, First Peoples Worldwide is engaging in conversations with Native food systems participants throughout the U.S. to incorporate their insights into a research project to support Native food sovereignty through building Native supply chains. [Read more](#)



Indigenous Leaders at COP26: Support Indigenous-Led Solutions to the Climate Crisis

Indigenous Peoples at the 2021 UN climate summit demanded inclusion and consent in strategies to address climate crises, as well as better access to direct funding for frontline communities facing immediate impacts. [Read more](#)



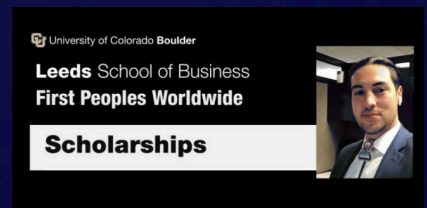
Save the Date: FNMPC's Toward Net Zero by 2050 Conference

Presented by the First Nations Major Project Coalition (FNMPC) in partnership with First Peoples Worldwide, the conference will present a fulsome picture of the risks and opportunities that this major economic shift will bring to and for Indigenous Peoples in the U.S. and Canada. [Read more](#)



Global Demand for Transition Minerals Requires Immediate Consideration of Indigenous Peoples' Rights throughout Policy and Practice

First Peoples Worldwide's new research and engagement initiative aims to ensure Indigenous Peoples' rights are upheld with increased demand for transition minerals. [Read more](#)



First Peoples Worldwide, Leeds School of Business Announce 2021-22 Rebecca Adamson Indigenous Rights and Business Scholarship

Indigenous Inclusivity is Path to Most Sustainable Future, says Scholarship Recipient Desmond Bruguier. [Read more](#)

MEDIA COVERAGE

- June 21, 2022 - [SEC urged to measure Indigenous risks, Indian Country Today](#)
- June 17, 2022 - [SEC comment cacophony, Politico](#)
- June 9, 2022 - [The Business Case for Indigenous Rights, Mission to Scale podcast](#)
- May 2, 2022 - [ESG standards' Indigenous blind spot could threaten critical metals push, The Northern Miner](#)
- April 28, 2022 - [The only road to Net Zero runs through Indigenous lands, Indian Country Today](#)
- April 27, 2022 - [Demand for critical minerals 'the greatest opportunity in a generation' for Indigenous communities, says First Nations coalition, The Hill Times](#)
- April 14, 2022 - [Wealthy investors urge banks and oil financiers to consent with Indigenous peoples, Indigenous Wire](#)
- March 31, 2022 - [Investors ask banks to rethink funding fossil fuel projects, including Line 3, Indian Country Today](#)
- March 23, 2022 - [Proposed rule would make company climate 'risk' reports mandatory, Indian Country Today](#)
- March 2022 - [Indigenous Power Is Ascendant | Kate R. Finn, Cultural Survival Quarterly](#)
- January 28, 2022 - [Chile is in for a mining boom. Could a new constitution prevent environmental catastrophe?, Grist](#)
- November 17, 2021 - [On Native American mascots and the meaning of historical oblivion, KUNC Colorado Community Radio](#)
- October 21, 2021 - [The Fight Against Line 3 has Reached the United Nations, Minnesota Native News](#)
- September 20, 2021 - ['LOUD AND CLEAR': An Indigenous push for the SEC to include tribal human and land rights in its investor disclosures, Tribal Business News](#)
- September 19, 2021 - [50 Years of Impact: ICCR Member Advocacy on Racial Justice and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, ICCR Racial Justice Timeline](#)
- September 9, 2021 - [U.S. Representatives Visit Line 3 and Call on Biden to Shut it Down, The Progressive](#)
- September 3, 2021 - [UN requests inquiry into racial discrimination allegations of Line 3 The U.S. has an October deadline to respond to the United Nations' request, Indian Country Today](#)
- August 23, 2021 - [2. Behind the Curtain, This Land podcast](#)
- August 3, 2021 - [Hemispheres: August 3, 2021 - Native American Lawyers Forum, KGNU](#)
- August 2, 2021 - [A Pipeline of Abuse, Atmos](#)
- July 16, 2021 - [Three Ways To Invest In Indigenous Foodways To Impact Food Security, Forbes](#)
- July 1, 2021 - [Dear Bank CEO, You Are Cordially Invited to Defund This Pipeline, Bloomberg](#)



PRESS RELEASES, TOOLKITS, STATEMENTS, AND EBLASTS

- June 27, 2022 - [Media Advisory: Gwich'in Nation Fly-in to Washington D.C.](#)
- June 17, 2022 - [IIPWG Statement on Comment Letter to SEC Climate Rule](#)
- June 16, 2022 - [Eblast: The Business Case for Indigenous Rights & Indigenous Peoples in Net Zero Investing](#)
- June 13, 2022 - [Eblast: IIPWG June 2022 Call Agenda](#)
- June 2, 2022 - [Press Release: SOMPO Joins the Growing List of Insurance Companies with Policies that Protect the Arctic Refuge](#)
- June 1, 2022 - [Press Release: The Gwich'in Steering Committee Applauds Oil and Gas Company Exits from Arctic Refuge Leases](#)
- May 17, 2022 - [Eblast: IPWG May 2022 Call Agenda](#)
- April 29, 2022 - [Press Release: German Insurer Allianz Joins Ever-Growing Corporate Support to Protect the Coastal Plain of the Arctic Refuge](#)
- April 29, 2022 - [Eblast: Indigenous Leadership Shareholder Training + Transition Mineral Panel at UNPFII 2022](#)
- April 28, 2022 - [Eblast: Reminder: April 29 Investor Roundtable on Indigenous Rights in the SEC Climate Rule](#)
- April 21, 2022 - [Eblast: INVITE: April 29 Investor Roundtable on Indigenous Rights in the SEC Climate Rule](#)
- April 19, 2022 - [Eblast: IIPWG April 2022 Call Agenda](#)
- April 14, 2022 - [Eblast: Indigenous Leaders and Solutions in Business and Development - April & May Events](#)
- March 31, 2022 - [Toolkit: Transition Minerals Takeaways](#)
- March 30, 2022 - [Investor Statement on Line 3 and Other Oil Sands Projects](#)
- March 29, 2022 (updated) - [IIPWG Line 3 Investor Brief](#)
- March 22, 2022 - [Toolkit: GSC Scorecard Update & ARDC Insurance Campaign](#)
- March 22, 2022 - [Press Release: GSC Insurance Scorecard Updated: 12 Companies Now have Policy that Protects the Arctic Refuge](#)
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- March 1, 2022 - [Gwich'in Steering Committee Responds to AIG's New Policy on Arctic Drilling. Notes Gwich'in Leaders will Stop at Nothing to Protect Traditional Lifeways](#)
- February 14, 2022 - [Eblast: Upcoming Events: Investment in Indian Country + Indigenous Solutions Towards Low Carbon Economies](#)
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- January 31, 2022 - [Press Release: Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin Responds to the Gold Resource Corporation Merger and Acquisition of Back Forty Mine](#)
- February 14, 2022 - [Eblast: Reminders: Investment in Indian Country Webinar, Line 3 Statement](#)
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- February 2, 2022 - [Statement on the New Name of the Washington Football Team](#)
- January 18, 2022 - [Eblast: IIPWG January 2022 Call Agenda](#)
- December 16, 2021 - [Press Release: Gwich'in Steering Committee Statement on Third Response from the United Nations to Imminent Rights Violations from U.S. Oil and Gas Development in the Arctic Refuge](#)
- December 13, 2021 - [Eblast: Rebecca Adamson Scholarship Awardee + Matching Gift Opportunity](#)
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- November 30, 2021 - [Eblast: Ways to Support the Advancement of Indigenous Rights in Business and Investment](#) (Giving Tuesday 2021)
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- October 18, 2021 - [Eblast: IIPWG October 2021 Call Agenda](#)
- October 11, 2021 - [IIPWG Statement on Indigenous Peoples Day 2021](#)

- September 15, 2021 - [Talking Points: Integrating Indigenous Rights, ESG and Climate Risk Disclosures](#)
- September 14, 2021 - [Statement: Tahoe Resort Where IIPWG Began Changes Its Racist Name](#)
- September 8, 2021 - [Eblast: INVITE: Elevating Indigenous Rights in ESG Disclosures](#)
- September 1, 2021 - [Press Release: United Nations Issues Letter Regarding Violations of Anishinaabe Human Rights from Enbridge Line 3, Requests Measures from the United States](#)
- August 17, 2021 - [Eblast: IIPWG August 2021 Call Agenda](#)
- August 10, 2021 - [Press Release: GSC Scorecard Rates Insurance Companies on Arctic Refuge Policies](#)
- July 13, 2021 - [Eblast: IIPWG July 2021 Call Agenda](#)
- July 12, 2021 - [Talking Points: Free, Prior and Informed Consent: A Fundamental Human Right](#)



“The Only Road to Net Zero Runs Through Indigenous Lands”:

Indigenous equity ownership of major projects

Toward Net Zero by 2050 Conference Findings and Report, April 25-26, 2022



EVENTS & CONVENINGS

- June 29, 2022 - *Securing Indigenous Rights in the Green Economy*, presented by Cultural Survival
- June 27, 2022 - *Insurance Campaigning Academy: Free, Prior and Informed Consent Session*, presented by Insure Our Future
- June 23, 2022 - *Protecting Indigenous Rights in the Arctic through Shareholder Engagement*, presented by Confluence Philanthropy with support from First Peoples Worldwide, the Gwich'in Steering Committee and the Arctic Refuge Defense Campaign ([recording](#))
- June 14, 2022 - *Promote Corporate Action on Climate & Human Rights TODAY*, presented by Green America
- June 7, 2022 - *Investing for Impact in Indigenous Communities*, part of US SIF Forum 2022
- June 7, 2022 - *Consultation on Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Gender Expression and Sexual Characteristics (SOGIESC) with Civil Society and Non-Government Stakeholders in North America and Europe*, Indigenous rights intervention in support of Asian Development Banks' consultation
- June 6, 2022 - *Driving Progress on Climate-related Disclosures*, part of *Economist* magazine's *Economist Impact's Annual Sustainability Week* ([video](#))
- May 23-26, 2022 - Reservation Economic Summit
- May 16, 2022 - *Securing Indigenous Rights in the Clean Energy Transition*, briefing co-coordinated with Cultural Survival and the SIRGE Coalition
- May 5, 2022 - *Transition Mineral Coalition Panel Indigenous Solutions toward the New Energy Economy: Transition Minerals, Mining, and FPIC*, side event of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Twenty-First Session
- May 2, 2022 - *Indigenous Shareholder Advocacy & Leadership Training: Operationalizing FPIC in the Transition to Net Zero*, side event of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Twenty-First Session
- April 29, 2022 - *Investor Roundtable: Inclusion of Indigenous Rights in the SEC Climate Rule*, presented by the Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group
- April 27, 2022 - UNPFII side event hosted by the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office ([video](#))
- April 25-26, 2022 - *Toward Net Zero by 2050 Conference*, presented by First Nations Major. Video highlights:
 - [Keynote: Brett Isaac, Navajo Power](#)
 - [Keynote: Jennifer M. Granholm, Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy](#)
 - [Keynote: Wahleah Johns, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs](#)
 - [Indigenous Leadership in Clean Energy](#)
 - [Net Zero Mining, Sustainability and the Environment](#)
 - [Putting the "I" into ESG – Accelerating 2050 Targets](#)
 - [Indigenous Women in Sustainable Finance & Business](#)
- April 19, 2022 - *What does insurance have to do with Arctic drilling?*, presented by Environment America and Sierra Club
- April 18, 2022 - *Market-based and Policy Advocacy Strategies*, briefing co-coordinated with Cultural Survival and the SIRGE Coalition
- April 7, 2022 - *Net Zero: Indigenous Women In Sustainable Finance & Business*, First Nations Major Project Coalition ([recording](#))
- March 31, 2022 - *Just Transition, Collaboration and Consent: Mitigating the Cost of a "Green" Economy for Indigenous Peoples and Shareholders*, part of the ICCR 50th Anniversary Conference
- March 30, 2022 - *Using Human Rights Due Diligence to Enable a Just Transition* FPIC breakout session, part of the ICCR 50th Anniversary Conference
- March 2, 2022 - *How are Insurance Companies Measuring up on Climate Risk?*, presented by ICCR, organized by Sunrise Project and Rainforest Action Network
- February 17, 2022 - *Investment in Indian Country: Supporting Sovereignty, Seeding Solutions* ([video](#)), Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group
- February 16, 2022 - Native Americans in Philanthropy Consultation re leadership, catalytic capital, and climate pledge work with Native American in Philanthropy
- January 27, 2022 - Consultation about community based impact assessments (COBRA) with OXFAM
- December 6, 2021 - Opening statement UNPFII International Expert Group Meeting re *Indigenous peoples, business, autonomy and the human rights principles of due diligence, including free, prior and informed consent* ([video](#))

- December 1, 2021 - *Indigenous Perspectives on a Just Transition to Net Zero*, part of the RIA Transition Finance Week
- November 30, 2021 - Kindred presentation on consideration of Indigenous Peoples and Indigenous Rights in corporate and DEI practice
- November 3, 2021 - ConocoPhillips CA100+ & Indigenous Peoples rights meetings expert testimony
- October 15, 2021 - *Championing Indigenous Peoples' Rights through Shareholder Advocacy*, presented by IIPWG, part ICCR 2021 Fall Conference
- October 11, 2021 - *Plenary: Race, Gender, Climate and Economics: How to Integrate What is Inseparable*, part of the ESG 2021 For Impact! Conference presented by First Affirmative Financial Network
- October 5, 2021 - *State of Indigenous Languages as Measure of Indigenous Rights*, Cultural Survival
- September 22, 2021 - *Indigenous Peoples and the Green Economy: Transition Minerals, Human Rights and Investment Risks*, Council of Institutional Investors Fall 2021 Conference
- September 16, 2021 - *Investor Briefing: Elevating Indigenous Rights in ESG Disclosures*, Investors & Indigenous Peoples Working Group ([recording](#))
- September 8, 2021 - Consultation with Society for Threatened Peoples re: FPIC, risk management and corporate engagement
- August 18, 2021 - Consultation with Indian Law Resource Center re: shareholder advocacy 101 and strategies to implement in work with COIAB to address extractive industries in the Amazon
- July 27, 2021 - *Upholding Consent as an Inherent Right to Protect Indigenous Sacred Sites*, Native Organizers Alliance ([recording](#))
- July 12, 2021 - FPIC Capacity Building Training, part of Native Organizers Alliance's Red Road to D.C. initiative
- July 12, 2021 - [Statement on behalf of the Gwich'in Youth Council](#), coordination as part of the 14th Session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples - Regional Meeting on North American and Africa





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