Provisional Programme of Work
Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Eighth Session, 20 – 24 July 2015

Monday 20 July

10h00 – 11h00: Opening and organization of work
Welcoming remarks from:
Mr. Zeid Ra’ad Al Hussein, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
Ambassador Joachim Rücker, President of the Human Rights Council

Item 1: Election of officers
Opening remarks from the Chair of the Expert Mechanism

Item 2: Adoption of agenda and organization of work

11h00 – 13h00: Item 3: Follow-up to the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples including the review of the mandate of the Expert Mechanism
Lunch: Lunchtime events

15h00 – 18h00: Item 3: Follow-up to the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples including the review of the mandate of the Expert Mechanism.

Tuesday 21 July

10h00 – 13h00: Item 4: Panel discussion on indigenous peoples’ human rights in relation to business enterprises
Lunch: Lunchtime events

15h00 – 16h30: Item 5: Post-2015 development agenda and indigenous peoples’ rights

16h30 – 18h00: Item 6: Follow-up to thematic studies and advice.
Wednesday 22 July

10h00 – 13h00: *Item 7: Study and advice on the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous peoples with respect to their cultural heritage*

Lunch: Lunchtime events

15h00 – 16h00: *Item 7: Study and advice on the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous peoples with respect to their cultural heritage*

16h00 – 18h00: *Closed session*

Thursday 23 July

10h00 – 13h00: *Item 8: United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*

Lunch: Lunchtime events

15h00 – 16h00: *Item 8: United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*

16h00 – 18h00: *Item 9: Proposals to be submitted to the Human Rights Council for its consideration and approval*

Friday 24 July

10h00 – 11h00: *Closed session* (to discuss report and proposals)

11h00 – 13h00: *Item 3: Follow-up to the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples – Consultation on the United Nations System-wide Action Plan for a coherent approach to achieving the ends of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*

Lunch: Lunchtime events

15h00 – 18h00: *Item 10: Adoption of the report*