

# International Roundtable on Indigenous Community Planning and Land Use Management: Advancing Practice through Scholarship

Monday June 7 and Tuesday June 8 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Wanuskewin Heritage Park, Saskatoon

## *Press Release*

Eighteen international academic experts in the field of Indigenous community planning and land management from across Canada, USA, New Zealand and Australia will be meeting on June 7 and 8 in Saskatoon for the *International Roundtable on Indigenous Community Planning and Land Use Management: Advancing Practice through Scholarship*. Roundtable delegates will examine the opportunities and barriers for Indigenous peoples as they apply, or try to apply, their own cultural foundations and normative principles to community planning and land use management. Hosted by the University of Saskatchewan's Indigenous Land Management Institute and Department of Geography and Planning, this event represents the most focused international meeting convened of leading experts in the field of Indigenous community planning and land use management. Presentations and discussion will cover topics common to all four countries ranging from tribal lands planning in reserve, rural and remote areas to natural resource, mining and land title agreements to transformative urban planning and design with Indigenous peoples in cities. Joining the international scholars will be community members, planning and land management professionals and leaders from Saskatchewan First Nations and Métis communities, rural and urban municipalities and the provincial and federal governments. The coming together of international academic expertise with community members, leaders and practitioners from Saskatchewan is an important means of knowledge sharing between community members, practitioners and academics. The future of Saskatchewan's culture, economy and stewardship over lands and resources depends on the extent to which we can develop working relationships and understanding among First Nations, Métis and non-Aboriginal peoples, businesses and governments.

The list of international experts giving presentations at the Roundtable includes:

**Dr. Ted Jojola (Isleta Pueblo)**, University of New Mexico, USA, *Indigenous Planning: A Retrospective*.

**Dr. Steven Cornell**, University of Arizona, USA, *Reconstituting Native Nations: Boundaries, Identities, and Governance in Canada, Australia and the USA*.

**Dr. Tanira Kingi (Ngati Whakaue, Ngati Rangitahi, Ngati Makino, Ngati Awa)**, Massey University, New Zealand, *Iwi Futures: Integrating Traditional Knowledge Systems, Cultural Values, Land Use Planning and Agricultural Development Pathways*.

**Dr. Deborah McGregor (Anishinabe from Wiigwaskingaa)**, University of Toronto, Canada, *Representing Traditional Knowledge in Forest Management Planning in Ontario*.

**Dr. Kurt Peters (Blackfoot/Powhatan)**, Oregon State University, USA, *Fifty Years on the Urban Reservation: Beyond the Myths of Federal Relocation*.

**Dr. Chris Andersen (Métis)**, University of Alberta, Canada, *Urban Aboriginal Planning: Towards a Transformative Statistical Praxis*.

**Dr. Ryan Walker**, University of Saskatchewan, Canada, *Planning, Policy-making and Design with Aboriginal Peoples in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century City*.

**Dr. Kim Doohan**, Native title and resource claims consultant, Australia, *Transformative Practices: Imagining and Enacting Relationships in the Context of Resource Development*.

**Provost Richard Jefferies (Ngati Raukawa, Ngati Tukorehe)**, Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi (one of three Maori Tribal Universities in New Zealand), New Zealand, *Culture as the Foundation to Planning and Land Use Management – Toitū te Whenua, Whatungarongaro te Tangata*

**Dr. Richie Howitt**, Macquarie University, Australia, *Nurturing New Geographies of Coexistence: Rethinking Cultural Interfaces in Land and Sea Governance*.

**Ms. Cari St. Pierre**, Senior Planner, Gwawaenuk Tribe (BC), Canada, *Overcoming Barriers to Successful Implementation of First Nations Community Planning – A Challenge to Hegemonic Underpinnings*.

**Dr. Bethany Haalboom**, University of Saskatchewan, Canada, *The Power and Peril of ‘Vulnerability’: Lending a Cautious Eye to Community Labels in Climate Change Research and Policy*.

**Dr. Marcus Lane**, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Australia, *Boundary Riding: Indigenous Knowledge Contributions for Natural Resource Planning in Northern Australia*.

**Dr. Sharon Hausam**, University of New Mexico and Tribal Planner, Pueblo of Laguna, USA, *Maybe, Maybe Not: Degrees of Native American Participation in Regional Planning*.

**Ms. Laura Mannell**, Dalhousie University, Canada, *First Nations Community Planning: Practice, Reflection and Learning*.

**Dr. Michael Hibbard**, University of Oregon, USA, *Culture and Economy: The Cruel Choice Revisited*.

**Ms. Andrea Procter**, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada, *“Our Beautiful Land”: Current Debates in Nunatsiavut Land Use Planning*.

**Dr. David Natcher**, University of Saskatchewan, Canada, *Gender and Indigenous Land Use Planning in Northern Canada*.

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