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# Sacred Sites and the Environment from an Indigenous Perspective

Friday 19 May 2006 – 1:15 pm thru 2:45 pm

Sponsored and organized by Yachay Wasi – Hosted by UNEP  
UNEP Conference Room DC2 Bldg - 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

From a statement delivered by **Secretary-General Kofi Annan in Machu Picchu, Peru, 12 November 2003:**

*“Here, amidst the peaks of the Andes in Peru, the enormous contributions of indigenous peoples to human civilization are everywhere on display — from the sacred ruins of the Inca empire to the crops that grow on the mountainsides. In the jungles of the Amazon too, indigenous communities have lived for millennia in harmony with the rainforest, and they continue to do so today.”*

## PROGRAMME

Music from the Andes: Mr. William Luna, from Cuzco, Peru

Speakers:

Ms. Ina McNeil, Lakota Nation, USA

Mr. Luis Delgado Hurtado, Quechua speaking people, from Cuzco, Peru, President of Yachay Wasi

Mr. Parshuram Tamang, Tamang people, Nepal, member of UNPFII

Ms. Andrea Carmen, Yaqui Nation, USA, Exec. Dir., International Indian Treaty Council

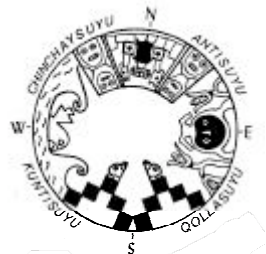
Mr. John Scott, Inigai, Australia, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

Ms. Naniki Reyes Ocasio, Taino, Puerto Rico

Dr. Albert DeTerville, Bethelchilokono, Saint Lucia, Chair/CEO, ALDET CENTRE

Ms. Mililani Trask, Native Hawaiian, USA, former member of UNPFII

Moderated by: Ms. Marie-Danielle Samuel, Main Representative to UN for Yachay Wasi



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*(Quechua: House of Learning)*

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