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Full Text

The Forum welcomes resolution 49/7 of the Commission on the Status of Women, entitled "Indigenous women beyond the ten-year review of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action", adopted in March 2005, and recommends to the United Nations system and Governments to implement that resolution

Comments

UNESCO is in the process of improving in-house dialogue on indigenous gender issues and is continually exploring possibilities of strengthening the consideration of indigenous women in its programs. The organization participates actively in the interagency taskforce on indigenous women and is devoting particular attention to the development of partnerships with indigenous women's organizations and women leaders. In this regard UNESCO sponsored a workshop hosted by the Yaaku Peoples Association in Kenya, from 27 September to 1 October 2005. UNESCO is currently consulting with the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and partner agencies to design activities aimed at further exploring the diversity of gender relations in indigenous communities and the recognition of indigenous women's views and roles in the development of their peoples and larger conflict prevention and peace-building initiatives.

Area of Work

Indigenous Women and Girls