

Gathering of First Nations & Peoples

AGENDA

SAT 26 & SUN 27 November 2016
Old Parliament House, Canberra

Day 1		SATURDAY 26 November 2016	Members Dining Room, OPH
	KEYNOTE SPEAKER(s)	TOPIC	MODERATOR
8:30-9:00		Registration at Entrance	Christine Palmer, Kalara Gilbert
9:00-9:05		Welcome to Country	
9:05 -10.15	Ghillar, Michael Anderson	*Contested sovereignty *Defining Sovereignty in the modern era *Key aspects of the Mabo decision recognising Aboriginal law *Update on the Sovereignty Movement, & London Decolonising Gathering *Burying our Dead: Recognition of the Frontier Wars	Serene Fernando
10.15-10:30		Q & A	
10:30-10:45		Morning tea	
10.45-11:15	Isobelle Anderson Narissa of Ngadjon	Report back on development of & responses to assertions of sovereignty & UDIs and the obstacles; Sharing of experiences	Fred Hooper
11:15-11:25		Q & A	
11:25-11:50	Robbie Thorpe Lidia Thorpe	Treaties processes: clan-based treaties process in Victoria	
11:50- 12:00		Q & A	
12:00-12:20	Myra Tait & Dr Ladner (tbc)	Canadian constitutional experiences	
12:20-12:30		Q & A	
12:30-12:50	Esther Stanford-Xosei	Skype - Global Movements: Reparatory Justice	

12:50-1:00		Q & A	
1:00-1:30		Buffet lunch	
1:30-1:55	Oni Kirwin	Recreating traditional governance in modern practices. Fijian experience, UDIs	Feli McHughes
1:55-2:20	Fred Hooper	Uniting First Nations on a single topic-Water- Murray Darling Basin NBAN - Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations	
2:20-2:50	Adrian Burragubba	Protecting Country against transnational corporations	
2:50-3:00		Q&A	
3:00-3:15		Afternoon tea	
3:15-4:40	Isobel Anderson Ghillar Michael Anderson Fred Hooper	Open discussion on strategies to assert sovereignty including UDIs Unilateral Declarations of Independence & any additional topics for tomorrow	Adrian Burragubba
5.30 – 6.30		Dinner – bring a plate for sharing	
6.30 – 9:00	Music exchange/ cultural exchange	Singalong and Open Forum at Aboriginal Embassy	MC

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Day 2		SUNDAY 27 November 2016	Members Dining Room, OPH
	KEYNOTE SPEAKER(s)	TOPIC	MODERATOR
9:00-9:40	Raymond Campbell, Christine Palmer Mervin Eades (tbc)	Suicide Story & Youth issues	Prof Beris Anning (tbc)
9:40-10:20	Alice Haines Ghillar, Michael Anderson Prof Gracelyn Smallwood	Police immunity Institutional violence	

10.20-10.30		Q & A		
10.30-10.45		Morning tea		
10.45-11.15	Serene Fernando	Pitfalls in Constitutional Recognition	Fred Hooper	
11.15-11.25		Q&A		
11.25-11.50	Eddie Turpin Tauto Sansbury Cheryl Buchanan (tbc)	Governance – after Native Title: What next?		
11.50-12.00		Q&A		
12.00-12.50	Murray George & Ghillar, Michael Anderson,	Resurrecting dominance of our Law, culture and customs		
12.50-1:00		Q&A		
1:00-1:30		Buffet lunch		
1:30 – 3:00	Gathering of Minds	Open forum – Ways forward & drafting resolutions Additional agenda items	Feli McHughes, Ruth Gilbert	
3:00-3:15		Afternoon tea		
3:15 - 4.20	Gathering of Minds	Adopting Resolutions Statements Communiques	Christine Palmer & Serene Fernando	
4:20 – 4:25		Closing		