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INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND GLOBALIZATION

FORUM FOR THE ECONOMIC AND LEGAL EMPOWERMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF THE AMAZON

This forum brings together world-class organizations skilled in economic and political action with indigenous leaders. The objective is to develop strategies to help indigenous people organize in ways to create wealth, while maintaining their cultural identity.

■ THE LEADERS ARE BEGINNING TO RESPOND:

Santiago Manuin Valera
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I, **Santiago Manuin Valera**, former President of the Aguaruna Huambisa Council and survivor of the June 2009 lethal conflict in Bagua; President of the Indigenous Association for the Education, Promotion and Defense of Human Rights (BIKUT):



Percy Alberto Amaro Bonatto
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I, **Percy Amaro Bonatto**, leader of the Ashaninka; representative of the organization of the Native Communities of the Central Jungle (CENCOSEC), representing 120 communities:



Want to participate in the forum being organized by the ILD and its partner organizations to find together concrete solutions to the problems that have resulted from our communities' collision with the forces of globalization because:

- 1 It is essential that we find a **peaceful solution to the fundamental problems** affecting the indigenous peoples of the Amazon.
- 2 We need the legal tools to **protect us from the harms of globalization and access its benefits.**
- 3 We need **adequate control over our territory** in order to achieve better economic development. To that end, we need effective property rights, as strong as those in the hands of big investors; and legal mechanisms to create businesses in order to make deals with other indigenous peoples or investors, so as to produce a sustainable economy for our families, without destroying our forests and other natural resources.
- 4 We lack the mechanisms to **participate and consult in** Government decisions that regulate our property and businesses. That is the only way that we will be able to control our economic future and connect with the rest of the country in a way that respects our cultural identity.
- 5 We are eager to learn from **the experiences of other indigenous peoples** around the world, who have managed to benefit from the 21st Century economy, without undermining their cultures, so that we can adapt development to our reality.

Oseas Barbarán Sánchez
DNI No. 21149963

I, **Oseas Barbarán Sánchez**, leader of the Shipibo; President of the Confederation of the Amazon Nations of Peru (CONAP), representing 40 federations of communities:



POINT OF DEPARTURE

The recent conflicts in the Peruvian Amazon are largely the result of a transition from a world of isolated realities to a globalized world in which all of us — to one degree or another — become interdependent. Begun in the West some 200 years ago, this historic change has hit the Peruvian Amazon like a hurricane. The storm's aftermath has revealed deep problems that this forum can help resolve — and provide our native brothers and sisters with the legal tools that will protect them from the harms of globalization while giving them access to its benefits.

Ambrocio Uwak Taijin
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I, **Ambrocio Uwak Taijin**, Awajún leader; President of the Aguaruna Huambisa Council, representing 180 communities:



Miguel Ampush Chamicag
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I, **Miguel Ampush Chamicag**, Awajún leader; President of the Federation of Native Communities of the Nieva River (FENOCARIN), representing 58 communities:

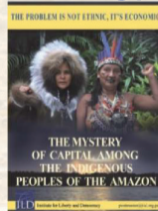


Agilio Marcelo Semperi Borja
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I, **Agilio Marcelo Semperi Borja**, Matsigenka leader; Vice President of the Timpia Native Community and representative of the Matsigenka Council of the Urubamba River (COMARU), representing 34 communities:



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REGISTRATION: Other indigenous leaders also wishing to share their ideas and attend the preparatory meetings can register by writing to postmaster@ild.org.pe or sending their request to Las Begonias 441, Piso 9, San Isidro, Lima.

■ Participating Institutions to date:

First Nations Tax Commission	Alliance to Stop Slavery and End Trafficking	International Republican Institute	Alaska Federation of Natives	Leadership Conference on Civil Rights	COLLEGE OF BUSINESS University of Colorado-Denver Business School	The Institute for State Effectiveness	Moore Group - New Zealand
Center for International Private Enterprise	BlueOrchard Microfinance Investment Managers	National Congress of American Indians	National Center for State Courts	The Information and Education Center for the Prevention of Drug Abuse	National Democratic Institute	The Center for Property Rights and Development	Ira Millstein, Associate Dean of the Millstein Center for Corporate Governance and Performance at Yale University

THE ILD EXPECTS THE FORUM TO PRODUCE CONCRETE PROPOSALS AND PROJECTS. TO THAT END, WE HAVE INVITED SEVEN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO PARTICIPATE.