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INDIGENOUS  
KNOWLEDGES  
WORKSHOP

Dialog surrounding  
Indigenous Knowledges  
within the Pacific Rim:  
Living Cultures  
and World  
Heritage

Chiapas, Mexico | Nov. 1-5

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Agenda



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The Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU), with the leadership of Tecnológico de Monterrey and the University of Melbourne, is hosting the inaugural Indigenous Knowledges convening. APRU institutions from the Pacific Rim will meet in San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas, to share best practices and collaborate on common interests. This workshop will be a space for learning about and creating common initiatives to promote indigenous heritage within the Pacific Rim.



# Mexico

Rich in its culture, traditions, cuisine, weather, flora and fauna, Mexico is one of the most culturally diverse nations in the world. Within its territory, there are 68 indigenous groups, representing 15.1% of the total indigenous population. Mexico is not only a place with a unique historical background, but it is also home to many living cultures. Pacific Rim.



# San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas

A multicultural city and part of Mexico's Pueblos Mágicos program, it is located in the state of Chiapas, where the worldview of indigenous communities (some of whom are descended from the Mayans) coexists with the international vision of visitors and residents from around the world.

# Center for Social Innovation

The aim of the Center for Social Innovation (CIS) is to contribute to driving leadership, innovation and entrepreneurship in order to help humans flourish. It achieves this through a multidisciplinary team that is tasked with co-designing learning and research projects to identify solutions to major social problems in Mexico and around the world.



# Center for the Recognition of Human Dignity

The aim of the CRDH is to foster the recognition of human dignity in order to become a safer, more equal, diverse and inclusive Institution, thereby promoting human flourishing.

# Welcome from Tecnológico de Monterrey

Welcome to Mexico and to Tecnológico de Monterrey. We are honored to host the 1st Indigenous Knowledges Workshop this November, with the participation of eight universities that come from different parts of the Pacific Rim. After years of joint efforts of APRU members, the first Workshop on Indigenous Knowledges will finally take place. We hope it will be a space for dialogue and mutual learning. Congratulations in advance for your willingness in being part of this project that is born from the interest in raising awareness about indigenous peoples.



**Inés Sáenz**

**Vice President** of Inclusion,  
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For the Center for the Recognition of Human Dignity, all human beings are unique and unrepeatable, for this reason we ensure that the human dignity of each person in our community is recognized and respected. Likewise, we promote being an increasingly safe, egalitarian, diverse and inclusive institution. Our position at Center fo the Recognition is to seek a path of meeting points and a path of love that sees no differences by race or gender, disability or sexual orientation. This workshop is very important because the recognition of indigenous peoples is part of our efforts to make the cultural diversity of our environments visible, learn from them, share experiences and thus build communities where diversity is celebrated. Welcome everyone.



**Felisa González**

**Director**  
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Dignity

# Agenda

## November 1 (Tuesday)

## Day 1

Time	Activities
All day	<b>Arrival</b> Tuxtla Gutierrez international airport, Mexico
All day	<b>Transportation from airport to San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico</b> Gather at the exit of arrival gate in designated schedules
10:00 am-10:00 pm	<b>Sombra del Agua Hotel Check-In and registration for the event</b> Hotel Address: Prol. 1o. de Marzo 15, Zona Centro, 29200 San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chis., Mexico
All day	<b>Free Time (Recommended Activities)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>·Day of the Dead Altars</li><li>·Local events in San Cristóbal de las Casas</li></ul>

## November 2 (Wednesday)

## Day 2

Time	Activities
7:00 am -8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b> Restaurant "Tarumba", Sombra del Agua
8:00 am-8:10 am	<b>Gather at Lobby, Sombra del Agua</b> *There will be a 10-15 minute walk to the Center for Social Innovation (CIS)
8:20 am - 10:00 am	<b>Visit the Center for Social Innovation (CIS)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Welcome messages:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Inés Sáenz, Tecnológico de Monterrey</li><li>2. Adrian Little, University of Melbourne</li><li>3. Adriana Rojas, APRU</li><li>4. Felisa González, Tecnológico de Monterrey</li><li>5. Judith Ruiz, Tecnológico de Monterrey</li><li>6. Jose Manuel Páez, Tecnológico de Monterrey</li><li>7. Manuel del Jesús, Villalobos, Tecnológico de Monterrey</li></ol></li><li>· Mayan fire ceremony</li><li>· Presentation by CIS</li></ul>
10:00 am-10:20 am	<b>Artisans show their fabric manufacture process</b> People gather to appreciate this
10:30 am -11:30 am	<b>1st Session by University of Melbourne</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>·Projects presentation by University of Melbourne.</li><li>·50 minutes presentation + 10 minutes of Q&amp;A</li></ul>
11:30 am -12:30 pm	<b>2nd session by Auckland University</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>·Projects presentation by Auckland University.</li><li>·50 minutes presentation + 10 minutes of Q&amp;A</li></ul>
12:30 pm- 2:30 pm	<b>"Palenque Rojo" performance and lunch</b> Restaurant "Tarumba", Sombra del Agua *There will be a 10-15 minute walk to hotel Sombra del Agua and *At 2:15 pm, meet at lobby for return to CIS,10 minute walk
2:30 pm-3:30 pm	<b>3rd session by Tecnológico de Monterrey</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>·Projects presentation by Tecnológico de Monterrey</li><li>·50 minutes presentation + 10 minutes of Q&amp;A</li></ul>

# November 2 (Wednesday)

# Day 2

Time	Activity and venue
3:30 pm-4:30 pm	<b>Master conference by Dr. Patricia Pérez</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS)
4:30 pm- 5:00 pm	Coffee break
5:00 pm-6:00 pm	<b>4th Session by Simon Fraser University, University of the Philippines, Universidad San Francisco de Quito</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Projects presentation by Simon Fraser University, University of the Philippines and Universidad San Francisco de Quito</li><li>· 45 minutes of presentation (15 minutes each) followed by 5 minutes of Q&amp;A.</li></ul>
7:30 pm	Gather at Lobby, Sombra del Agua
7:30 pm-7:50 pm	<b>Walk to restaurant and Parachicos troupe</b> *There will be 10-15 minute walk, Let us know if you have any mobility issues.*Please wear your name tag
8:00 pm-10:00 pm	<b>Dinner</b> "Las Pichanchas" Crescencio Rosas 4, Zona Centro, 29200 San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chis.
10:00 pm	<b>Return to hotel Sombra del Agua</b> *There will be 10-15 minute walk.

# November 3 (Thursday)

# Day 3

Time	Activity and venue
7:30 am-8:30 am	<b>Breakfast</b> Restaurant "Tarumba", Sombra del Agua
8:30 am-8:50 am	<b>Walk to the Center for Social innovation (CIS)</b> Gather at Lobby, Sombra del Agua *There will be a 10-15 minute walk
9:00 am-10:00 am	<b>5th Session by University of California, Davis, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, University of Oregon</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Projects presentation by University of California, Davis, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and University of Oregon</li><li>· 45 minutes of presentation (15 minutes each) followed by 5 minutes of Q&amp;A.</li></ul>
10:00 am- 11:00 am	<b>Concluding Session</b> Center for Social Innovation (CIS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Wrap up and next steps and indigenous ceremony</li></ul>
11:00 am-12:00 pm	<b>Route Departure</b> Participants gather in the main patio of CIS *There will be a 1 hour trip by vans
12:00 pm -2:00 pm	<b>Kuxlejal Rute in San Andrés Larráinzar Chiapas, Mexico</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Brunch at the house of the artisans</li><li>· Embroidery display</li><li>· Visit to mat weaving places</li></ul>
2:00 pm-3:00 pm	<b>Transportation back to San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico</b>
Evening	Free Time

## November 4 (Friday)

## Day 4

Time	Activity and venue
8:00 am -8:50 am	<b>Breakfast</b> "Tarumba" restaurant, Sombra del Agua
9:00 am-11:00 am	<b>Transportation to pier:</b> Sumidero Canyon, Chiapas, Mexico
11:00 am-1:00 pm	<b>Boat Trip</b> in the Sumidero Canyon, Chiapas, Mexico
1:15 pm-3:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b> Jardines de Chiapa restaurant, Chiapa de Corzo, Chiapas, Mexico
3:00 pm-3:30 pm	<b>Chiapa de Corzo Tour</b>
3:30 pm-4:30 pm	<b>Free Time</b> · Shopping · Photos · etc
4:30-5:30 pm	<b>Transportation back to the Hotel</b>
5:30 pm	<b>End of the Workshop</b>
Evening	<b>Free Time</b>

## November 5 (Saturday)

## Day 5

Time	Activity and venue
12:00 pm	<b>Hotel Check Out</b>
Afternoon	<b>Departure to Home Country</b>

# Participant universities

We are pleased to receive participants from 8 APRU member universities from the Pacific Rim. Academics, professors, administrators and authorities from each university will meet to share projects, open dialogue and promote the study of indigenous peoples.



# Participants

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## **Master conference by Dr. María Patricia Pérez Moreno**

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She currently holds the position of Deputy Director in the Regional Planning Department of the National Institute of Indigenous People.

**Master  
conference:  
The p'ijilaletik of  
the indigenous  
peoples:  
challenges and  
advances in their  
recognition and  
visibility**



# Coexistence rules during COVID-19

For Tecnológico de Monterrey your health and safety is very important, to keep everyone comfortable and safe. During the workshop we please ask you to choose your social distance preferences by wearing the color button you may prefer. We will provide them at the beginning of the event. The use of face masks is voluntary, it is recommended to use it in closed spaces.

**Talk & hug  
if you want**



**Let's talk  
but not  
touch**



**I am  
keeping my  
distance**



# Additional information

City: **Tuxtla Gutiérrez**  
State: **Chiapas**



## Weather

Max: 31°C \*Mostly hot  
Min: 18°C weather



522m

Height above sea  
level

CDMX → CHIAPAS

845 KM

## To arrive from abroad



Flight to CDMX-  
Flight to Tuxtla  
Gutiérrez



City: **San Cristóbal de las Casas**

State: **Chiapas**



## Weather

Max: 21°C \*Mostly rainy and  
Min: 8°C cold weather



2200m

Height above sea  
level

TUXTLA → SAN  
GUTIÉRREZ CRISTÓBAL

59 KM

## To arrive from abroad



Flight to CDMX-  
Flight to Tuxtla  
Gutiérrez- By car to  
San Cristóbal



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