



American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN) Conference on Bioethics, Public Health and Peace for Indigenous Peoples

9:00-18:00, Saturday 28 June 2014

UNAM University Cultural Center in Tlatelolco, Mexico City, Mexico

An official post-Congress side event of the 12th World Congress of Bioethics

Side Event Chairs:

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Background to the Conference:

The speakers come from a dozen different nations, and will stimulate discussion for all to participate. *We ask speakers to allocate at least 10 minutes of their time to discussion and questions after their talk!*

Bioethics is present in every community of the world in the relationships between people, plants and animals and nature. Indigenous Peoples are starting to rediscover their identities and philosophies. One part of this Conference will be examine the articulation of different ethical world views of nature, life and ethics, a second on how these are being applied to bioethical decision-making. A third part will be to explore how these have, and could further contribute to, lessening the devastating Public Health divides inside and between many countries. There is a need to preserve the culture, traditions, health, welfare, and rights of

Indigenous Populations throughout the globe. Indeed, health and public health are undisputedly foundational pillars of any sustainable community, society or nation and serve as positive attributes of peace. Finally we will explore the links between Public Health and Peace for Indigenous Peoples. The papers will also be published as a book. [Please send abstracts of papers and register for participation through Email: dmacer@au-sn.com](mailto:dmacer@au-sn.com)

Agenda for 28 June 2014 (as of 9 June 2014)

8:30 Registration

9:00 Welcome and self-introductions

9:15

Bioethics and Peace for Indigenous Peoples

Darryl Macer, PhD, HonD

Provost, American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN), Scottsdale, USA;

Director, Eubios Ethics Institute, Thailand, New Zealand and Japan

10:00

The reifying grievances towards the "Indians" as bioethical problem and the philosophy of understanding

Jorge Aguirre S.

on behalf of Universidad de Monterrey, and Instituto de Investigaciones en

Bioética, Monterrey, Mexico

10:30

Health inequalities between Europeans and non-Europeans in the Netherlands: the role of bioethics

Dick Willems, MD PhD

Professor, Department of General Practice, Section of Medical Ethics, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

11:00

The challenges faced in articulating a traditional worldview

Ms. Chamu Kuppuswamy, PhD

Senior Lecturer, school of Law, University of Hertfordshire, UK

11:30

Long term care among world populations

Ms. Marie-Charlotte Bouésseau, MD PhD

Service Delivery and Safety (SDS), World Health Organization (WHO),

Geneva Switzerland

12:00

Interculturality in health and community-managed Primary Health Care in indigenous Chiapas: the cases of the *Casa Materna* and the *Zapatista* health system

Héctor Ochoa, PhD with Gerardo González, MD and Rosario García, MA

Department of Health, El Colegio de la Frontera Sur, San Cristóbal de Las Casas, Chiapas, México

12:30

Challenges of the application of genetic research in Africa: the case study of Botswana

Rekha A. Kumar, PhD

IRB Member, Office of Research and Development; Senior Lecturer, Department of Law, University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00

Bridging Knowledge Systems to Rebuilding Healthy Communities: Reflections on the social and cultural determinants of health for Indigenous Populations in the United States

Carmela M. Roybal

Tewa Nation; RWJF Doctoral Fellow in Sociology, University of New Mexico, USA; Research Fellow, Fulbright Academy of Law, Peace and Public Health

14:30

Exploring the homo-communitas and its relationship with Pachamama

Natalie Despot Belmonte

Bolivia; PhD student in Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

15:00

Public Health and Indigenous Peoples' Human Right to Water in the Peruvian Andes

Aori R. Nyambati

Kenya; The Bartlett, Development Planning Unit, University College London, UK.

15:30 Break

16:00

Public Health, Indigenous Peoples, Ethics and Peace in Cuba

Daniel Piedra Herrera, MD PhD

Academy of Sciences of Cuba

16:30

Public Health and Peace for Indigenous Peoples

Thomas A. Gionis, MD JD MPH MBA MHA LLM FICS FCLM

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17:00

How the research imperative in biomedicine can drive health inequities

Jason Robert, PhD and Ms Mary Drago

Professor and Director, Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona, USA

17:30

General Discussion, and Consideration of a Resolution

Discussion led by the Chairs

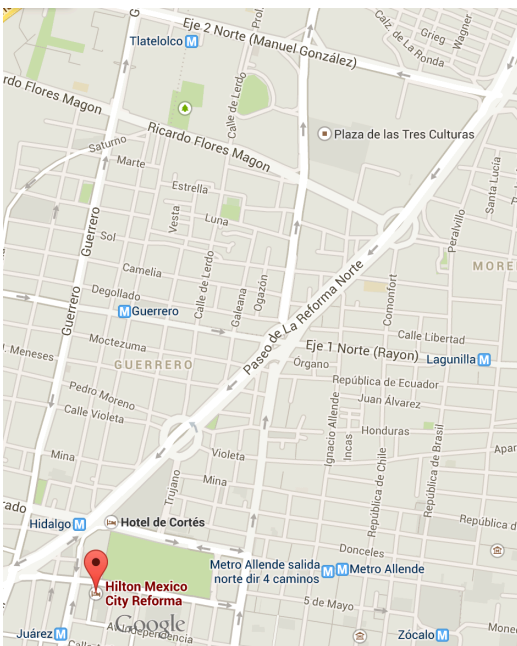
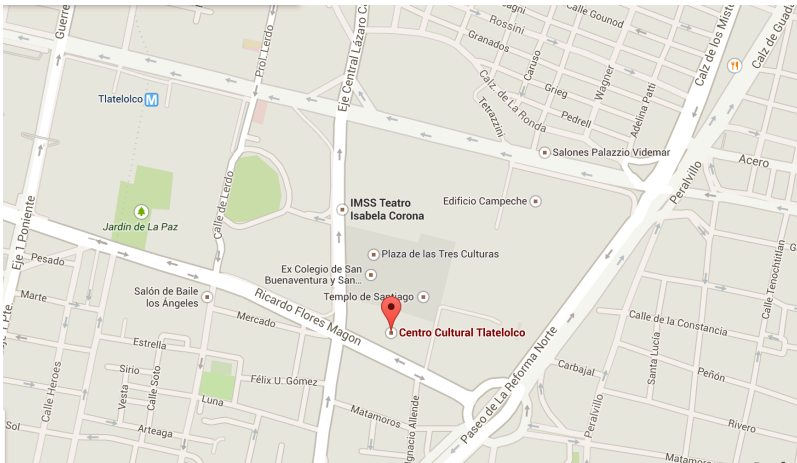
[The author of the following paper is not confirmed: **Indigenous Peoples, Health and Bioethics**

in Pakistan, Inayat Memon, MD, Chief Pathologist and In Charge Bioethics Unit, Peoples Medical College Hospital, Nawabshah, Sindh, Pakistan]

18:00 Close

Costs: Lunch and breaks will be provided. Participants whose papers are accepted for presentation at this satellite Conference do not need to pay a fee. Pre-registered participants will be suggested to make a USD20 contribution. On-the-day participants will be suggested to make a USD30 contribution. Persons who are financially unable to pay will be admitted free of charge, or contribute what they would like to.

Please register to dmacer@au-sn.com



The Venue is close to the Hilton Mexico City Reforma (The venue of the 12th World Congress of Bioethics), as well as to the other hotels of the WCB. It is in the grounds of an Aztec temple.

Note on the Venue: **Plaza de las Tres Culturas**, Lázaro Cárdenas Eje (between cross streets Av. Ricardo Flores Magón and Manuel González Eje; from the Metro, exit from Garibaldi station (line 8) and walk north on Lázaro Cárdenas, or from Tlatelolco station (line 3) and walk east on Manuel González). So called because in one city square you can see three different time periods of Mexico City's development mixed together: the pre-hispanic Aztec temple grounds of **Tlatelolco**, the 16th-century Spanish **Church of Santiago**, and a modern 20th-century skyscraper, now home of the **University Cultural Center Tlatelolco (CCUT)** for UNAM. To the south, you'll see the modern-day tower and its adjacent buildings. UNAM runs the building as a conference hall and cultural center, and has a few exhibits open to the public: **Memorial 68** and the **Blaisten Collection**, showcasing modern art.