



Virtual Training Program on Cultural Documentation and Intellectual Property Management for Indigenous Peoples from the Arctic Region

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the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)*

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the Association of World Reindeer Herders; and
the M.K. Ammosov North-Eastern Federal University in Yakutsk*

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Cultural heritage is being documented on an unprecedented scale, thanks notably to new technologies and an increased awareness at the international level of the importance of preserving and safeguarding culture. But while many initiatives are underway, few take intellectual property issues into consideration. Whether this lack of consideration is due to a lack of awareness, knowledge, skills or interest, its effects can be dramatic for the elements of cultural heritage being documented and for their holders.

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The objectives of the Training will be to impart basic knowledge of the main principles, systems and tools of the intellectual property system and how they relate to indigenous peoples and local communities, emphasizing both the potential value that intellectual property could bring in support of traditional knowledge (TK) and traditional cultural expressions (TCEs) protection, as well as the challenges; and enhance the capacity to understand and use the intellectual property principles, systems and tools for the protection of TK and TCEs among individuals involved in cultural documentation, from indigenous peoples, local communities and cultural institutions.

How to apply

If you would like to take part in the training program, please send an email with your name, place of study/work, position, country to se.avelova@s-vfu.ru