1st Arctic Indigenous Peoples’ Food Congress
Guovdageaidnu, Norway, March 9-13, 2020

OVERALL PROGRAM

IN SHORT:
Monday, March 9 - Preparing for Cooking
Tuesday, March 10 - Caribou - Reindeer Roundtable
Wednesday, March 11 - Science - Traditional Indigenous Knowledge Seminar
Thursday, March 12 - Opening of the Food Congress
Friday, March 13 - Concluding Day

Sunday, March 8

Congress bus departures:
• From Alta airport (ALF) at 18.00 (corresponds with flight arriving at 17.40, local time)
• From Kittilä airport (KTT), at 18.15 (corresponds with flight arriving at 17.40, local time). TBD/ upon requests.

Monday, March 9

09.00-17.00 Start-up - Preparing for Cooking Food Action
Báktehárji Sports Hall

Preparing for the week
• Introductory section

Preparing for cooking
• Assembling chef teams
• Menu planning, inventory and procurement of available raw materials
• Allocating kitchens, equipment
• Preparing for slaughtering of reindeer

Food Innovation Leadership training program, start up
• For separate group of 20 indigenous youth/ representatives (separate registration)
• Will run as separate sessions throughout the week, coordinated with main program

Preparation of a Congress Declaration/ Principles
• Formation of a drafting committee

Ongoing rigging of conference hall, tents etc.

Lunch at 12.00

Evening program:
Mingling dinner and icebreaker at 19.00, casual,
At Sámi Film Center, Bulejávri. (Bus transport from hotels)

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**Tuesday, March 10**

**09.00-18.00 Caribou-Reindeer Roundtable**
Báktėhárji Sports Hall

**REINDEER IS LIFE - BOAZU LEA EALLIN**
**DAY OF KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE AND DISCUSSION**

**09.00 Opening**

Luohti/ Yoik,

**Member of Sámi Parliament of Finland Mr. Tuomas Aslak Juuso, Opening**

**09.20-09.50 Words of welcome and purpose of meeting: Co-hosts**
• Anders Oskal, Association of World Reindeer Herders (WRH) and International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR)
• Ron Lameman, Beaver Cree Nation, Board Member for the International Indian Treaty Council (IITC)
• Liard McMillan, Dene Nation, Arctic Athabaskan Council

**09.50–12.00 ROUNDTABLE 1: The Meaning and Importance of Caribou and Reindeer to our cultures and ways of life:**
Presenters (15 minutes each):
• Johan Mathis Turi, Senior Sámi reindeer herder from Guovdageaidnu, Founding President of World Reindeer Herders (Reindeer as foundation for civilisation)
• Françoise Paulette, elder and knowledge holder, Dene Nation
• Kenneth Frank, Gwich’ in elder, Indigenous scholar from Arctic Village, Alaska, Author of “The Man Who Became A Caribou”
• Inuit Speaker TBC
• Mai Britt Utsi, Senior Sámi Knowledge Holder and PhD candidate, Sámi from Norway (Sámi origin story of reindeer and wild reindeer)
• Nadezhda Gerasimova, Senior Evenki reindeer herder from northern Siberia, Russia
(An old Evenki proverb says, “If there is no reindeer – there is no Evenki people”. Domesticated and Wild Reindeer in the Evenki culture)
Open discussion, all participants
Moderator: TBC

12.30–13.30 Lunch

13.30-15.00 ROUNDTABLE 2: Threats to the survival of the Reindeer and Caribou and our way of life (climate change, government policies, environmental threats/extractives, loss of traditional knowledge and practitioners, etc.)

Presenters (15 minutes each):
- Sanna Vannar, Sámi reindeer herder from Sweden, President of Sáminuorra (Sámi youth organisation in Sweden) TBC/ Invited.
- Eben Hopson, young Inuk from Alaska TBC
- Chief Gary Harrison, Chickaloon Village, Alaska, Arctic Athabascan Council
- Ron Lameman, Beaver Lake Cree Nation, Alberta, Canada
- Alena Gerasimova, Evenki reindeer herder, Vice Chair of WRH, Eastern Siberia, Russia (Predators, industrial development and reindeer herding in Southern Yakutia)
- Klemetti Nääkkäläjärvi, Sámi reindeer herder, PhD, PostDoc, University of Oulu (Climate change impacts on Sámi reindeer herding)

Open discussion, all participants
Moderator: TBC

15.00-15.15 Break

15.15–17.15 ROUNDTABLE 3: Solutions based on our traditional knowledge and practices, from the local, national and international levels to restore and protect our ways of life; Potential joint cooperation initiatives for training and institution building.

Presenters (15 minutes each):
- Chief Bill Erasmus, Dene Nation, Canada, Arctic Athabascan Council
- Mikhail Pogodaev, Even reindeer herder and Vice Minister of Arctic and Indigenous Affairs, PhD, Sakha Republic, Eastern Siberia, Russia TBC/ Invited.
- Janene Yazzie, International Indian Treaty Council, Global Co-Coordinator, Indigenous Peoples Major Group for the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Dalee Sambo, Inuit Circumpolar Council, member, UNFCCC Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Facilitative Working Group representing Artic Indigenous Peoples, PhD (invited)
- Ellen Inga Turi, Sámi reindeer herder, PhD and PostDoc, Sámi University of Applied Sciences. (Governance and Traditional Indigenous Knowledge)
- Indigenous participant TBD from the Food Innovation Leadership training course (course running in parallel the whole week), and Bjorn Willy Åmo, Professor Nord University Business School (Food innovation and entrepreneurship as a possible way to build Arctic indigenous economies).
- Kathrine Johnsen, PhD, NIVA. Co-lead of GEF/ UNEP Nomadic Herders Skills. (Nomadic Herders Skills as a possible new tool for capacity building for Arctic indigenous peoples.)

Open discussion, all participants
Moderator: Ron Lameman
17.15-18.15 Agreement on Recommendations to present to Arctic Food Congress and include in the final outcome documents
Rapporteur/Note Taker: Janene Yazzie and Ellen Inga Turi
Moderator: Anders Oskal TBC

Closing remarks: TBC

Organized/ Co-convened by Association of World Reindeer Herders (WRH), International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR), Arctic Athabascan Council (AAC), International Indian Treaty Council (IITC) and the Sámi Parliament of Finland.

Afternoon/ evening program:
Dinner at 19.00, casual, at Báktehárji Sports Hall. Sponsored by main conference organisers.

Opening of the Ságastallamin: Arctic Indigenous Languages Exhibition:
This exhibition tells the story of the Indigenous languages spoken in the Arctic region, their past, present and hope for revitalization in the future. Learn about Sámi languages through sound clips, watch video interviews with Indigenous language speakers, and read about practical ways the languages are being taught around the circumpolar.

The exhibition is produced in collaboration between UiT the Arctic University of Norway University Library and the Arctic Council Indigenous Peoples’ Secretariat.

Storytelling, singing, cultural sharing, luohti/yoik in a gathering for all participants.

Congress pub
09.00 Science-Traditional Indigenous Knowledge Seminar:

Conflicting knowledge system of Arctic indigenous peoples food: Is it possible to conciliate?

Opening
Rector Laila Susanne Vars, Sámi University of Applied Science
Chair of the Board Inger Anita Smuk, International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry
Edouard Cointreau, Gourmand International
Soren Kristiansen, Founding President of World Chef Schools
Lars Kullerud, President of University of the Arctic

Ensemble Borealis, St Petersburg in view of Arctic indigenous food culture

Session A: Introduction - Conflicting food knowledge in the Arctic:

09.15-09.30 Conflicting knowledge systems in Arctic indigenous peoples food systems
Professor Svein D. Mathiesen, UArctic EALÁT Institute.

Session B: Arctic Food knowledge base:

09.30-09.45 Sámi and Norwegian perspectives on sustainable development/sustainable goals
Dr. Inger Marie G Eira and Dr. Kathrine Johnsen, Sámi University of Applied Science and NIVA.

09.45-10.00 Ethics of food production systems in the Arctic, professor Dr. Matthias Kaiser
University of Bergen

10.00-10.15 Knowledge conciliation for environmental governance: the basis for indigenous food systems. Dr. Ellen Inga Turi, UArctic EALÁT Institute, Sámi University of Applied Sciences.

10.15-10.30 Methane emissions in reindeer and why it is connected to meat production? PhD candidate Kia K. Hansen UArctic EALÁT Institute, UIT The Arctic University of Norway
10.30-10.45 Chukchi food knowledge base – outcome of Rievdan at Institute of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Hertzen University, Professor Svetlana Chernishova, Institute of Peoples of the North, St Petersburg

Coffee

**Session C: Food resources, food processing, and eating**

11.15-11.30 Nivkhi kitchen Professor Ludmila Gashilova, Hertzen University

11.30-11.45 New Arctic Kitchen - Greenland, Dr. Nauja Bianco, Greenland

11.45-12.00 Conflicting knowledge systems in evaluation of reindeer meat, PhD candidate Ravdna B M E Sara and Dr. Inger Marie G Eira, Sámi University of Applied Science

12.00-12.15 Bacteria in meat in Greenlandic kitchen Dr. Aviaja Lyberth Hauptmann, University of Greenland

12.15-12.30 Turning the animal into the edible in Norway and Sápmi: mincing words, cultures and animals, Dr. Karen Lykke Syse, University of Oslo, Centre for Development and Environment

**12.30-14.45 Outdoor demonstration of slaughtering:**

Conciliating of reindeer slaughtering of reindeer herder Nils Tony Bransfjell, Røros Norway

Nenets tradition of reindeer slaughtering - Nayabad

Evenki tradition of reindeer slaughtering

**13.00-14.45 Lunch @ Nomadic Kitchen in Bakteharji:**


**Session D: Arctic kitchens**


15.00-15.15 Evenki kitchen and their taboos Alena Gerasimova, UArctic Ealát Institute, Republic Sakha Yakutia.

15.15-15.30 Reindeer herders vs. scientists understanding of reindeer meat smoking PhD candidate Kia L. Hansen, and chair leader Inger Anita Smuk, UIT Arctic University of Norway and International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry

**15.30-16.00 Minister Helleland @ Nomadic Kitchen in Báktehárji TBC**

Cooking action with team of indigenous youth, traditional chefs and international chefs
16.00-17.00 Arctic Lavvu Dialogue - Food knowledge needed in indigenous societies to reach sustainable goals?

Chair: Professor Svein D Mathiesen, Dr. Kathrine Johnsen

Inger Anita Smuk, Representative of the Norwegian Ministry of Regional Government and Modernisation (TBC), Albert Kolesov, Issat Turi, Dr. Nauja Bianco, Dr. Klemetti Nääkkäläjärvi, Dr. Inger Marie G Eira, Dr. Karen Lykke Syse, Søren Kristiansen, Nikolai Gabyshev, Professor Svetlana Chernyshova.

Organised by UArctic EALÁT Institute and partners, including the RCN Rievdan Project WP3 and RCN Project: Opportunities and Challenges for Integrating Sámi Reindeer Herding Traditional Knowledge in Environmental Governance.

Side event, in Báktehárji Sports Hall

17.00-19.00 Food and healthy lifestyle in Sápmi / Borran ja dearvvášlaš eallindábit Sámis

1) Insight to nutritional concepts based on natural food / Makkár biebmodábit såhtta buoridit? Leago sámis váilebman dán áigge? Mii lea váilebman ja váikkuhusat das?
2) What is biohacking and how it affects your body. / Mii lea biohacking ja makkár váikkuhusat leat dunje.

Side-event program organised by
• Inga Marja Sarre, Personal trainer and nutrition planner/ Ámmát hárjeheaddji ja biebmanplánejeaddji
• Ellen Cecilie Triumf-Buljo, Master of Food Science/ Master Biebmodiedås

Tastings / Máistámuñat:
• Birch coffee with reindeer fat / Soahkegáffe bohccobuddiin
• Dried lingonberries and reindeer liver capsules/ Goikaduvvon jokja ja vuovvaskápslerat

Evening program:
19.00 Food Reconciliation Dinner, by chef team, casual

Demonstration of food preparations, Traditional Indigenous Knowledge (in- and outdoor)
Gathering for all participants, cultural program

Congress pub
Thursday, March 12

09.00-12.00 OPENING of the 1st Arctic Indigenous Peoples’ Food Congress
Báktehárji Sports Hall

Opening
• Norwegian Minister of Regional Development Linda Hoëstad Helleland
• President of the Sámi Parliament of Norway Aili Keskitalo
• Mayor of Guovdageainn Suohkan/ Municipality Hans Isak Olsen
• Chair Inger Anita Smuk, Association of World Reindeer Herders
• President Christina Henriksen, Saami Council TBC
• Sámi Indigenous Youth organisations greeting
• President Edouard Cointreau, Gourmand International
• Others, TBD

Greetings
• President of the Sámi Parliament of Sweden Per Olof Nutti
• President of the Sámi Parliament of Finland, TBC
• Arctic Council Permanent Participant Organisations
• Arctic State Representatives
  o Senior Arctic Official, Ambassador Bård-Ivar Svendsen, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  o Ambassador Teimuraz O. Ramishvili, Russian Embassy in Norway
  o Deputy Minister of Arctic and Indigenous Affairs, Dr. Mikhail Pogodaev, Sakha (Yakutia) Republic, Russia TBC
  o Chair of the Arctic Council Sustainable Development WG, Stefan Skjaldarsson, Icelandic Chairmanship, Icelandic Ministry of Foreign Affairs
• Arctic Council Indigenous Peoples Secretariat
• Bocuse D’Or Winners, Catherine Guérin
• Rector Ellen Inga Haetta, Sámi Upper Secondary and Reindeer School, TBC
• Rector Laila Susanne Vars, Sámi University of Applied Sciences, TBC
• Others, TBD
Keynotes

- Arctic Council EALLU project, Anders Oskal, Association of World Reindeer Herders and International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry, Project Manager
- Arctic Council Arctic Food Innovation Clusters (AFIC) project, Professor David Natcher, University of Saskatchewan, Project Manager TBC, and PP Co-lead representative TBC

Launch of the Arctic Council EALLU Food Exhibition
Launch of the EALLU Food Book in Russian language
Launch of the 2nd EALLU Report for the Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting

12.00-14.00 Lunch – Specialities of the Sámi food systems

14.00-15.30 Arctic Lavvu Dialogue Session

Markets and Food Trends, Governance, and Balancing Indigenous Positions in the Value Chains: From Food Insecurity to Food Sovereignty?

Moderators: TBD

- Professor Bjørn Willy Åmo, Director Kjell Stokvik and 1-2 students TBC – Food Innovation Leadership: Creation of Food Products and Businesses
- Ingemar Blind, Slow Food Sápmi – The Slow Food Movement in Swedish Sápmi
- Maret Ravdna Buljo, Sámi reindeer herder
- Eben Hopson, Inuit, Utpeagviq, Alaska – Youth and Inuit Food Traditions
- Lahiru Jayasekara, Master Chef, London – Arctic Indigenous Foods Seen From an Urban Restaurant Perspective
- Frederik Lennert – Food and biodiversity in Greenland
- Albert Kolesov – Reindeer herders business perspectives
- Søren Kühlwein Kristiansen – Food Governance Alignment
- Pelle Agorelus – Gourmand Scandinavia perspectives
- Nils Tony Bransfjell – New technology for reindeer processing
- Kenneth Frank – Food Insecurity and Caribou/ Living Resources TBC
- Professor Svein D Mathiesen – Food and Health, the Connections between Arctic Environments and Indigenous Peoples’ Food Systems

Break

15.45- 17.00 A Circumpolar Menu from Arctic Indigenous Peoples – Prelude to the Congress Dinner

- Lubov Taian & Olessya Yakovleva, Chukchi, Russia
- Laila Spiik, Sámi, Sweden
- Zoia Ryabchikova, Khanty, Russia
- Maret Ravdna Buljo, Sámi, Norway TBC
- Eben Hopson, Inuit, Alaska
- Nikolay Gabyshev, Yakut, Russia
- Marit Mikkelsdatter Eira Murud, Sámi, Norway TBC
- Aviaja Lyberth Hauptmann, Inuit, Greenland
- Olessya Bolotaeva, Koryak, Russia
- Rosa-Maren Magga, Sámi, Finland
- Pavel Gabyshev, Yakut, Russia
Igor Slepushkin, Nenets, Russia
Ludmila Gashilova, Nivkh, Russia
Anna Degteva, Veps, Russia TBC
Beaska Niilas, Sea Sámi, Norway

17.00 Summing up the day

19.00- Food Congress Main Dinner – A Circumpolar Indigenous Peoples´ Menu
Báktehárji Sports Hall

- Circumpolar menu of traditional foods, food resources and modern influences
- Prepared during the week by different chef teams
- Food specialities, demonstrations
- Mingling dinner, possibilities for seating
- Cultural program

Congress Pub

Friday, March 13

Checkout from hotels

09.00-10.00 CONCLUDING Session,
Báktehárji Sports Hall

Presentations of take-home-messages by program participants
- Food Innovation Leadership training sessions
- Caribou-Reindeer Roundtable
- Science-TIK conciliation seminar
- Traditional knowledge holders, youth, chefs

Presentation of draft Declaration/ Principles

10.00-11.30 Farewell Brunch – Arctic Indigenous Food Futures

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Program adjustments may occur

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