**COURSE   
‘BUSINESS AND NATURAL RESOURCES RIGHTS’**

**SESSION 9**

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| **Session title** | **Evaluating current and future challenges** |
| Type of the session | Lecture / seminar |

**SESSION ABSTRACT**

A part of the session is devoted to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the indigenous peoples. Issues faced by indigenous women are also discussed along with the extreme poverty faced by the indigenous communities.

**SESSION READINGS**

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| **Mandatory** |
| Helcio Marcelo de Souza, “Indigenous Peoples Face Old and New Challenges in COVID-19”. Available at: <https://www.nature.org/en-us/what-we-do/our-insights/perspectives/indigenous-peoples-challenges-covid-19/> |
| Message from the Chair of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to Ensure Indigenous Peoples are Informed, Protected and Prioritized during the Global Covid-19 Pandemic (April 2020): <https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenous-peoples-es/wp-content/uploads/sites/34/2020/04/UNPFII-Chair-statement_COVID19.pdf> |
| Indigenous peoples and the COVID-19 pandemic: Considerations, Indigenous Peoples and Development Branch, Division for Inclusive Social Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA): <https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/wp-content/uploads/sites/19/2020/04/COVID19_IP_considerations.pdf> |
| Urgent action needed to tackle poverty and inequalities facing indigenous peoples, ILO website, 3 February 2020. Available at: <https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_735575/lang--en/index.htm> |
| **Optional & recommended** |
| The impact of COVID-19 on indigenous communities: Insights from the Indigenous Navigator. ILO website, available at: <https://www.ilo.org/gender/Informationresources/Publications/WCMS_757475/lang--en/index.htm> |