



INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATORY FILM FESTIVAL

Under the theme

**"Community-owned Solutions for
Social-Ecological Challenges"**

16-19th September 2014, Umana Yana, Georgetown, Guyana, S.A

Call for Participation

This film festival will bring together indigenous and community groups, academic researchers, activists, policy makers, development workers and government officials from the Guiana Shield and other countries, to collectively deliberate and debate practical actions for promoting indigenous community owned solutions for facing current and emerging social, economic and environmental challenges.

The film festival will create opportunities for cultural and knowledge exchange, and contribute to the promotion of indigenous audiovisual communication through diffusion, reflection and creative engagement. The festival will be an opportunity to discuss issues using filmed information that indigenous communities have produced themselves, rather than relying on information produced about them by non-indigenous people.

We invite submission of participatory videos and photos, produced by indigenous communities and organizations working with indigenous communities; that will be screened during the festival in order to support discussions, relating to one of the following topics:

1. How do indigenous communities protect and enhance their environment?
2. How do indigenous communities sustain themselves and their families?
3. How do indigenous communities manage their affairs independently of external involvement?
4. How do indigenous communities blend modern technologies and practices with tradition?
5. What are the impacts of various national and international initiatives on indigenous communities?
6. What indigenous collaborative strategies are successfully achieving sustainability?

Requirements: Please complete the Expression of Interest Form, together with videos/photos (2 copies on DVD), kindly send to **Cobra Project, Iwokrama International Centre, 77 High Street, Kingston, Georgetown, Guyana, South America** or you can send electronic copies via www.wetransfer.com to the emails below. File transfer size is limited; high quality, compressed files are suggested. Uploaded videos should be 10 - 15 minutes long and no larger than 4 gigabytes.

Event promotion and poster: Please submit two (2) photographs and a summary of your work that can be used for design.

Deadline for submission: July 30th 2014. For any queries please contact:
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We are looking forward to your participation!

