

Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples  
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### **Invitation to the panel discussion “Working for our rights”**

Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples has the pleasure of inviting you to observe the panel discussion “Working for our rights”, which is held during the 20th European Cultural Days: Sápmi 2024, at Museum Europäischer Kulturen, **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 17:00 – 19:00.**

Sámi representatives from the Barents Euro-Arctic Council’s Working Group of Indigenous Peoples and members of the organization “Sámi Youth” will reflect and discuss current topics such as the green shift and Sámi rights, the northern policy of the European Union and the repatriation of Sámi objects.

After the discussion, a small reception with refreshments will be held at the same venue as where the talks will take place. DJ iDJa from Sápmi will be performing in the MEK garden from 19:00. In his sets he combines Sámi musical tradition with new technology.

The discussion partners will include:

Janne Hirvasvuopio (Chair of the Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples)

Mihkkal Hætta (Sámi activist and filmmaker)

Anne-Maria Magga (political scientist)

Nils-Gustu Kuhmunen (Barents Regional Youth Council)

Johannes Rimpi (Sami Youth Parliament of Sweden)

A joik performance by artists Anna Näkkäljärvi-Länsman and Biret Haarla Pieski will bring the spirit and support of the ancestors into the room.

The talks will be held in English.

More information about the event can be found here:

<https://www.smb.museum/en/events/detail/working-for-our-rights-2024-09-14-170000-144998/>

More information about the 20th European Cultural Days: Sápmi 2024 can be found here:

<https://www.smb.museum/en/events/event-series/20th-european-cultural-days-sapmi-2024/>

On behalf of the Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples it is a pleasure for me to invite you to our event 14<sup>th</sup> September. Please feel free to forward this invitation to anyone you think could find this invitation relevant!

Yours Sincerely

Janne Hirvasvuopio

Chair of the Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples