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INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS CONCLUDED ITS COURSE ON ITS CASE LAW, REGARDING INDIGENOUS AND TRIBAL PEOPLES, IN COSTA RICA



San José, Costa Rica. July 23, 2021. On Friday, July 23, 2021, the *Course on the Case Law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Regarding Indigenous and Tribal Peoples*, concluded. The course was organized by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, in collaboration with the Vice Minister of the Presidency of the Republic of Costa Rica.

In her concluding remarks, the President of the Court, Judge Elizabeth Odio Benito, highlighted the role of the Inter-American Court as *"a regional, but also a national bastion for the defense of the fundamental rights of everyone living in our region."* She also noted the importance of the economic, social, and environmental rights of indigenous peoples, which are fundamental for the existence of democracy and the rule of law in a social State. Lastly, she invited the participants

to remain in contact with the Court and continue to engage with these types of initiatives.

This one-week long program had the objective to educate workers from different Executive Power institutions, who deal in their daily jobs with indigenous and tribal topics, on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights standards, which are specifically related to the rights of tribal and indigenous peoples.

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