



**AFN National Forum:
Affirming First Nations Rights, Title and Jurisdiction
Hilton Lac Leamy Hotel
3, boul. Du Casino, Gatineau Quebec**

September 11 and 12, 2018

ABOUT THE FORUM

The context:

First Nations have expressed some serious concerns about the status and content of the current federal engagement process (and engagement materials) to action the Prime Minister's commitment to develop, in full partnership with First Nations peoples, a legal and policy framework to advance the recognition and implementation of Indigenous rights.

National Forum objectives:

To provide Chiefs and other delegates the opportunity to share with each other their perspectives on:

1. Strategies and options (e.g. legislation, policy, new Royal Proclamation) for further advancing First Nations rights (Treaty and inherent), title and jurisdiction;
2. Canada's current proposal for a rights "recognition" framework and First Nations experience to date with the federally designed and implemented engagement process;
3. Suggested options for First Nations to work together on issues of common concern through First Nations led processes.

Federal representatives will be available periodically to answer questions and hear comments from Chiefs and delegates.

The meeting is intended to be a policy forum for First Nations to share views with each other and is not a formal engagement between the Crown and rights and title holders.

The Agenda will include:

-Discussion of where First Nations have been in past efforts to engage Canada on rights issues including rights affirmed by the UN Declaration on the Rights of



Indigenous Peoples

- First Nations leaders and experts discussion and analysis of Canada's proposal for a Recognition and Implementation of Indigenous Rights Framework
- Options and strategy to secure a course correction in the current dialogue between First Nations and Canada

Lunch will be provided

Who should attend?

Chiefs, Councilors, First Nations legal and policy experts.