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Victoria Tauli-Corpuz

United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Victoria Tauli-Corpuz is an Indigenous leader from the Kankanaey Igorot people of the Cordillera Region in the Philippines. She has served as the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples since 2014. She is a social development consultant, Indigenous activist, civic leader, human rights expert, public servant, and an advocate of women's rights in the Philippines. She was the former Chair of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (2005-2010). As an Indigenous leader she was actively engaged in the drafting and adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in 2007. She helped build the Indigenous peoples' movement in the Cordillera as a youth activist in the early 1970s. She helped organize Indigenous peoples at the community level to oppose and stop projects such as the Chico River Hydroelectric Dam and establishment of the Cellophil Resources Corporation.

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