

# THE BARENTS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES SUMMIT

## The importance of Indigenous peoples in the Barents cooperation

**Program Barents Indigenous Peoples Summit 8 June 2021 10.00-15.00**

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### **Part I 10.00-12.00**

#### **INTRODUCTIONS BY THE HOSTS (4 minutes each)**

Ine Eriksen Søreide, *Foreign Minister of Norway,  
Chair of the Barents-Euro Arctic Council*

Aili Keskitalo, *President of the Sami Parliament in Norway*

Helene Hellmark Knutsson, *Governor of Västerbotten,  
Chair of the Barents Regional Council*

Joik by Ronja Larsen, *Sami artist*

#### **COMMENTS BY THE EUROPEAN UNION, FINLAND, ICELAND, THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND SWEDEN (4 minutes each)**

Michael Mann, *Special Envoy for Arctic Matters, European Union,  
European External Action Service*

Malin Brännkärr, *State Secretary of the Ministry of Justice, Finland*

Tuomas Aslak Juuso, *President of the Sami Parliament of Finland*

Jon Erlingur Jonasson, *Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Iceland*

Timur Tsybikov, *Head of Division, Federal Agency for Ethnic Affairs, Russia*

Yuriy Khatanzevskiy, *Vice President,  
Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Russia*

Helene Öberg, *State Secretary of the Ministry of Culture, Sweden*

Per-Olof Nutti, *President of the Sami Parliament of Sweden*

Nikita Ageev, *Indigenous representative, Barents Regional Youth Council, Russia*



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### COMMENTS BY REGIONAL POLITICAL LEADERS IN RUSSIA, NORWAY AND FINLAND

Yuri Bezudnyj, *Governor of Nenets Autonomous Okrug, Russia*

Tomas Norvoll, *Chair County Council of Nordland, Norway*

Mika Riipi, *County Governor of Lapland, Finland*

### CLOSING REMARKS FOR SESSION I BY THE HOSTS

Ine Eriksen Søreide, *Foreign Minister of Norway,  
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The Summit will feature a mini exhibition by Norwegian artist Inger Blix Kvammen, Tundra Archives, photos taken in Nenets

### MODERATOR

Gøril Johansen, *Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway,  
Chair of the Barents Committee of Senior Officials*



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## PART II 13.00-15.00

### GREETINGS FROM RIDDU RIÐÐU – LIFTING INDIGENUOS' VOICES AND CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS FOR 30 YEARS

Video by Riddu Riddu (2 min)

Joik by Sami artist Viktor Bomstad (3 min)

### HOW TO SECURE A BRIGHT FUTURE – THE SITUATION FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' LANGUAGES IN TE BARENTS REGION TODAY

1. The International Decade for Indigenous Peoples' Languages (10 mins)  
Aili Keskitalo, *President of the Sámi Parliament in Norway*
2. The Situation of the Kildin Sami Language Today (10 mins)  
Roman Jakovlev, *Kildin Sámi musician*
3. The Situation of the Vepsian Language Today (10 mins)  
Natalia Silakova, *Vepsian representative of WGIP*
4. The Situation of the Nenetsian Language Today (10 mins)  
Natalia Latysheva, *member of the "Yasavey"*  
*Director of the House of Folk Art in the Nes village in Nenets Autonomous Okrug*
5. Language Technology and Indigenous Peoples' Languages (10 mins)  
Lene Antonsen, *Giellatekno, The Arctic University of Norway (UiT)*

**BREAK**



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### PANEL DEBATE

- a. Cross-border Language Cooperation in Sápmi (8 min)  
Lars Miguel Utsi, *Sami Parliament in Sweden*
- b. The Future of Nenentsian Language (8 min)  
Natalia Latysheva
- c. The Future of Kildin Sami Language (8 min)  
Roman Jakovlev
- d. The Future of Vepsian Language (8 min)  
Larisa Chirkova, *Chair Vepsän Kultur Sebr*
- e. Visions for Indigenous People's Languages in the Barents Region (8 min)  
Anni Koivisto, *Sami Parliament in Finland*

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Lars-Anders Baer, *Member of the Barents Working Group of Indigenous Peoples*



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