

# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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### A NEW SOCIAL CONTRACT IS NEEDED

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples aims to **celebrate the culture and diversity** of Indigenous peoples. It is also a way to give them more visibility as they lack of representation in the public space. As they are marginalised, they struggle to obtain recognition over their lands and natural resources.



On this day, Graduate Women International (GWI) wishes to **highlight their rights and interests**. GWI calls for a **new social contract**, (following this year theme highlighting this need) that benefits everyone economically, socially and culturally.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**



There are over **476 million Indigenous peoples** living in **90 countries** across the world, accounting for 6.2% of the global population.

Globally, Indigenous peoples speak **7 000 languages**, most of them are tragically in **danger of disappearing**.





More than **86%** of Indigenous peoples globally work in the **informal economy**, compared to 66% for their non-indigenous counterparts.



#### **TIME FOR ACTION!**

Support Indigenous rights and interests



Engage in Indigenous culture

Encourage respect and equity for Indigenous culture

Support Indigenousowned businesses To preserve Indigenous languages, encourages young people to take an interest

## **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPEMENT GOALS (SDG)**

#### All 17 SDGs are relevant for Indigenous people.

As an organisation committed to SDG 4, education for all, GWI highlights the need for safe access to education for all.



Globally, 47% of all Indigenous peoples in employment have no education, compared to 17% of their non-indigenous counterparts. This gap is even wider for women.

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