The World Indigenous Housing Conference is the principal conference to provide a platform for leaders in housing, health, education and related services from around the world to come together. Delegates representing Indigenous leaders, government, industry and academia will meet in May 2019 on Australia’s world-famous Gold Coast. They will share experiences, explore opportunities and innovative solutions, work to improve access to adequate housing and related services for the world’s Indigenous people.

“There is still a long way to go before Indigenous peoples’ rights are effectively respected, protected and fulfilled. In this era, when many of the world's remaining natural resources are largely found in Indigenous peoples' territories, there are increasing violations of their basic rights to lands, territories and resources and to self-determination and participation. This need not be the case. Achieving sustainable development cannot be delinked from the need to respect and protect the basic human rights and fundamental freedoms of Indigenous peoples.”

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
VICTORIA Tauli-Corpuz
Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [Philippines]
View housing through a holistic lens. Housing is not the solution to all ills but it is a great starting point and has the potential to provide family stability so that support services can be provided and issues addressed through essential wrap around services.

Revisit the 2012 World Indigenous Housing Conference and assess what issues were identified and solutions developed, and what worked and what did not work.

Discuss and provide solutions to address the major crisis of homelessness and affordable housing which is reaching epidemic proportions.

Identify and adopt best practices in the social housing space regarding housing management, design, repairs and maintenance, local employment, sustainability and community engagement and consultation.

Explore options regarding innovative environmental housing designs and construction, identifying new building materials and building practices.

Provide best practice examples of multi-faceted First Nations service providers for housing, housing management, health services, homecare support, among others.

Provide tenancy support and advocacy services.

Provide trade stalls for various businesses, government and non-government agencies, to offer information and promote their enterprises.

An opportunity for you to display good corporate citizenship and support the 2019 World Indigenous Housing Conference and Indigenous issues in general.