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Jennifer Tauli Corpuz is a Kankana-ey Igorot from the Mountain Province in the Cordillera Region of the Philippines.

Jennifer is graduated from the University of the Philippines (Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines) with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (2000) and a Bachelor of Laws Degree (2005). She also holds a Master of Laws Degree in Indigenous Peoples' Law and Policy from the James E. Rogers College of Law of the University of Arizona (Tucson, Arizona, USA).



Jennifer has worked at Tebtebba Foundation (Indigenous Peoples' International Center for Policy Research and Education) as Legal Desk Coordinator, where she was in charge of designing and conducting training programs on indigenous peoples' rights. She also did extensive policy advocacy work, lobbying different branches of the Philippine government on indigenous peoples' issues, most notably free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) and compliance with the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Jennifer has also worked with the UN Permanent Forum of Indigenous Issues as a trainer for several Training-Workshops on Indigenous Peoples' Issues with United Nations Country Teams, Government Officials, and Indigenous Peoples' Organizations.

During the negotiations that led to the adoption of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing, Jennifer was one of the negotiators of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity. At a meeting of a Group Technical and Legal Experts on Traditional Knowledge, a part of the Nagoya Protocol negotiations, Jennifer participated as the nominated expert of the Philippine government.

Jennifer joined the WIPO Secretariat in February 2012 for a period of nine months.

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