Indigenous Governance Building: Mapping current and future research and practical resource needs

Indigenous Governance Bibliography

Compiled by Christiane Keller, Toni Bauman and Lara Wiseman

June 2015
# Contents

- **Introduction** ........................................................................................................................................... 2
- Adaptive, multi-party, scaled and networked governance .............................................................................. 3
- Awards and success ......................................................................................................................................... 6
- Capacity building ............................................................................................................................................ 7
- Closing the Gap and overcoming disadvantage .......................................................................................... 9
- Collaborative or co-governance .................................................................................................................... 11
- Community, organisational and regional governance .................................................................................. 13
- Corporate governance, financial governance and compliance ...................................................................... 22
- Economic development and governance ...................................................................................................... 24
- E-government .................................................................................................................................................. 26
- Evaluating governance .................................................................................................................................... 27
- Governance of government .............................................................................................................................. 30
- Guides and toolkits: Australia ......................................................................................................................... 34
- Guides and toolkits: International .................................................................................................................. 36
- International .................................................................................................................................................... 37
- Land, sea and protected areas .......................................................................................................................... 43
- Leadership ....................................................................................................................................................... 47
- Native title and governance ............................................................................................................................... 49
- Research ......................................................................................................................................................... 51
- Resilience, well-being and sustainable livelihoods ........................................................................................ 53
- Self-determination .......................................................................................................................................... 55
- Settler relationships and the intercultural ....................................................................................................... 57
Introduction

AIATSIS has compiled this bibliography on Indigenous governance as part of its Indigenous Governance Building: Mapping current and future research and practical resource needs project. It is to be read in conjunction with an AIATSIS bibliography on free, prior and informed consent, engagement and consultation, and other bibliographies relating to various aspects of Indigenous governance which have been included in the following pages and are also available via the project webpage.

The term ‘governance’ is wide reaching and it has not been possible to cover all Indigenous governance related topics comprehensively. Within the context of this project governance is broadly defined as a cultural construct where the principles and standards of what constitutes ‘good’, ‘good enough’, ‘strong’, ‘legitimate’, ‘ineffective’, ‘corrupt’ or ‘bad’ governance are informed by culturally-based values, traditions and ideologies; and vary significantly between different societies. There is no end-point goal of ‘perfect’ governance that will eventually be achieved in the future. Rather, governance is adaptive according to context and circumstances. This means it may swing between effectiveness and dysfunction. It is to be found as much in people’s daily self-determined practices, processes and relationships, as it is in visible structures and formal institutions.

The concept of governance is also associated and often equated with several others; for example, ‘management’, ‘incorporation’, ‘administration’, ‘compliance’, ‘service delivery’ and ‘leadership’. But governance cannot be reduced to these terms and related processes. Under such a reductionist approach within Indigenous affairs, governance tends to be seen as a matter of Indigenous people being assigned all responsibility, but no power. In contrast, many Indigenous people conceive of governance as involving self-determination, processes of Indigenous choice, and having substantive power over decisions about concerns that shape their daily lives.

Governance, then, is an inclusive concept — a unifying framework — that covers a wide range of components consisting both of formal mechanisms and structures, as well as how things are done: from law-making and enforcement; jurisdictional functions; leadership and representation; to members’ participation and voice; decision making, dispute resolution, institutional frameworks and constitutions; rights and relationships with others including governments and private sector players in the governance environment; and the organisation of sustained development.
Adaptive, multi-party, scaled and networked governance


Cash, DW, Adger, WN, Berkes, F, Garden, P, Lebel, L, Olsson, P, Pritchard, L & Young, O 2006, ‘Scale and cross-scale dynamics: governance and information in a


**Awards and success**


**Capacity building**


Gerritsen, R, Fletcher, C & Crosby, J 2000, *Revisiting the old in revitalising the new: capacity building in Western Australia’s Aboriginal communities: a discussion with case studies*, Final Report, North Australia Research Unit, Australian National University, Casuarina, N.T.


**Closing the Gap and overcoming disadvantage**


— 2013b, *Engaging with Indigenous Australia — exploring the conditions for effective relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities*, Issues paper no. 5 produced for the Closing the Gap Clearinghouse, Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research, Australian National University, Canberra, viewed 15 May.
2014, 


Tsey, K, McCalman, J, Bainbridge, R & Brown, C 2012, *Improving indigenous community governance through strengthening indigenous and government organisational capacity*, Closing the Gap Clearinghouse, Canberra, viewed 1 April 2014,
Collaborative or co-governance


Community, organisational and regional governance


Austin-Broos, DJ & Macdonald, GM (eds) 2005, *Culture, economy and governance in Aboriginal Australia: proceedings of a Workshop held at the University of Sydney, 30 November-1 December 2004*, University of Sydney Press, Sydney.


Edmunds, M & South East Arnhem Land Collaborative Research Project 2001, Separation of powers: sources of authority and frameworks for decision-making in a south-east Arnhem Land community, Working paper series no. 4 (South East Arnhem Land Collaborative Research Project), South East Arnhem Land Collaborative Research Project, University of Wollongong, Wollongong, NSW.


Smith, BR 2005, “‘We got our own management’: local knowledge, government and development in Cape York Peninsula”, *Australian Aboriginal Studies*, vol. 4, no. 2.


— 2005, ‘Households and community governance’, in DJ Austin-Broos & GM (Gaynor M Macdonald (eds), *Culture, economy and governance in Aboriginal Australia*, University of Sydney Press, Sydney, pp. 175–188.


Thorburn, KE, Australian National University & ANU Digital Theses 2011, *‘Indigenous governance’ and Aboriginal political practice: the gulf between in two organisations in the Fitzroy Valley, West Kimberley.*


**Corporate governance, financial governance and compliance**


Haalboom, B 2012, ‘The intersection of corporate social responsibility guidelines and indigenous rights: Examining neoliberal governance of a proposed mining project in


**Economic development and governance**


Cape York Institute 2005, *Can Cape York communities be economically viable?* Cape York Institute, Cairns.


**E-governance**


Anonymous 2015, *Indigenous Governance Building* | 26


Evaluating governance


Eureka Project 2005, Measuring success: sharing power and accountability with Shepparton’s Aboriginal people, The Eureka project, Melbourne, pp. 118.

Dillon, C 2000, Review of the Indigenous communities of Doomadgee and Palm Island: final report. ATSIC, Phillip, ACT.


**Governance of government**


Burns, D 2000, ‘Can local democracy survive governance?’, *Urban Studies*, vol. 37, no. 5-6, pp. 963–973.


Indigenous Governance Building | 30


Reddel, T 2006 ‘Governing the Social: reconfiguring state and civil society relations’ Social Policy Working Paper No.6., Brotherhood of St Laurence and the Centre for Public Policy, viewed 15 May 2015,

Regional Governance Working Group 2013, Your council. Your voice: options for regional governance in the Northern Territory, Consultation Paper, Department of Local Government and Regions, Darwin, p. 17, viewed 31 March 2015,


**Guides and toolkits: Australia**


**Guides and toolkits: International**


**International**


Fodder, TA 2014, Indigenous governance programs in America & New Zealand, Te Mata Hautū Taketake - The Māori & Indigenous Governance Centre, University of Waikato, Hamilton.


Lunkapis, GJ 2013, ‘Confusion over land rights and development opportunities through communal titles in Sabah, Malaysia’, *Asia Pacific Viewpoint*, vol. 54, no. 2, pp. 198–205.


Indigenous Governance Building | 42


**Land, sea and protected areas**


Indigenous Governance Building | 43


Dudley, N 2008, Guidelines for applying protected area management categories, IUCN, Gland, Switzerland.


Indigenous Governance Building | 45
Lausche, BJ 2011, *Guidelines for protected areas legislation*, IUCN, Gland, Switzerland, viewed 3 February 2015,


<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/08941920802178214>.


<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/18366503.2014.888136>.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/14486563.2009.9725240>.  

Indigenous Governance Building | 46


**Leadership**


Cranney, M & Edwards, D 1998, Concept study into an Australian Indigenous leadership development program, Research Report, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, Canberra.


Maddison, S 2009, Black politics: inside the complexity of Aboriginal political culture, Allen & Unwin, Crows Nest, NSW.


Watkin, E 2015 LeadershipFIT for everyday living, Edward B Watkin p.158.

**Native title and governance**


Bauman, T, Strelein, LM & Weir, JK (eds) 2013, Living with native title: the experiences of registered native title corporations, AIATSIS Research Publications,
Canberra, viewed 15 May 2015,  


Mantziaris, C & Martin, DF 1999, Guide to the design of native title corporations, National Native Title Tribunal, Perth.


Smith, DE 2001, Valuing native title: Aboriginal, statutory and policy discourses about compensation, CAEPR Discussion Paper, 222, Centre for Aboriginal Economic

Strelein, L & Tran, T 2007, Native title representative bodies and prescribed bodies corporate: native title in a post determination environment, Native Title Research Report, No.2/2007, AIATSIS, Canberra, viewed 11 June 2015,


Weir, JK 2007, *Native title and governance: the emerging corporate sector prescribed for native title holders*, Issues Paper, 9, Land, Rights, Law: Issues of Native Title, Native Title Research Unit, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, Canberra, p. 12, viewed 22 April 2015,

**Research**

Bauman, T, Smith, D, Quiggin, R, Keller, C & Drieberg, L 2015, *Building Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander governance: report of a survey and forum to map current and future research and practical resource needs*, AIATSIS, Canberra, viewed 11 June 2015,


**Resilience, well-being and sustainable livelihoods**


Scherrer, P & Doohan, K 2013, “‘It’s not about believing”: exploring the transformative potential of cultural acknowledgement in an Indigenous tourism context’, *Asia Pacific Viewpoint*, vol. 54, no. 2, pp. 158–170


**Self-determination**


Canberra, viewed 12 June 2015,  


**Settler relationships and the intercultural**


Brown, C 2000, ‘I love this land because …: pastoral leaseholders and their land’, *Australian Dispute Resolution Journal*, vol. 11, no. 2.

Coles, D & Territory, N 1999, *The marriage of traditional Aboriginal and Western structures in local government in the Northern Territory*, Department of Local Government, Northern Territory, Darwin.


Merlan, F 1998, *Caging the rainbow: places, politics and Aborigines in a North Australian town*, University of Hawai’i Press, USA.


