

**Rebecka Forsgren**  
**WIPO Indigenous Fellow 2019**

Rebecka Forsgren is an indigenous Saami native. Saami is a people located in the Arctic, spread across Sweden, Norway, Finland and Russia.

Rebecka has recently graduated from law school at Umeå University (Sweden) with an orientation on indigenous people's rights and environmental law. Rebecka is an activist within the Saami community as well as in the worldwide indigenous community.

Her activism includes involvement in the local Saami association and work with the local Saami cultural centre. She is a board member of the Saami youth organization Sáminuorra.

She has acted as advisor to the Swedish government on Saami affairs and has acted as a representative for Saami youth through political debates, interviews, radio programs, lawsuits and indigenous advocacy campaigns.

Rebecka has also participated in the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) and in capacity-building projects for indigenous peoples in Greenland, Finland and Switzerland.

