## An announcement about IMD Celebration at UVU



On December 5th, 2018 the Utah International Mountain Forum (UIMF), a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University (UVU), will be hosting for the ninth time at UVU the United Nations (UN) International Mountain Day. This event is an opportunity to highlight student and community members' involvement in advocating for the UN sustainable mountain development agenda in the State of Utah, North America and at the UN.

Dr. Baldomero Lago, CIO/Vice-Rector of the UVU Office of Global Engagement, along with Orem City Mayor Mr. Richard Brunst will both present on this day. Dr. Ross Butler, Main Representative at UN Russian Academy of Natural Sciences, an NGO in Consultative Status with ECOSOC, will speak on his experiences at the UN advocating for the mountain agenda. We will also hear from Mrs. Wendy Jyang, President of the Utah China Friendship Improvement Sharing Hands Development and Commerce, an NGO in Consultative Status with ECOSOC, about her NGO involvement this past year in sustainable mountain development advocacy. Last but not least Ms. Rebecca Bindraban, editor-in-chief of the Youth and the Mountains journal, will talk about this year's edition of the mountain advocacy journal.

This event will showcase all of the work that has been done this year towards the UN sustainable mountain development agenda and all of the hard working men and women that are making it possible.

All students, faculty, and community members who participated in advocating mountain development targets will receive an official certificate from the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (UN-FAO).

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