

**Public list of Candidates to the expert mechanism  
on the rights of indigenous peoples as of 23.04.2008**

**Candidate Information : ABUBAKAR, Babagana**

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**Personal data**

<b>Family Name</b>	ABUBAKAR	<b>First Name</b>	Babagana	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Nigeria	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

**Areas of expertise**

**Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles**

Knowledge acquired through his participation in a number of international activities in the field of human rights (see below)

**Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights**

Knowledge acquired through his participatoin in a number of international activities in the field of human rights (see below)

**Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)**

The candidate is an indigenous person from the Kanuri Indigenous people of Nigeria. He brought up in an indigenous people's environment and currently works on Indigenous issues with the "Kanuri Development Association" cutting across Nigeria, Niger, Cameroon and Chad. (West and Central Africa regions).

The candidate has participated in a number of international activities such as the International Indigenous People Expert Consultative Meeting on access and benefit sharing organized by the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (19th-21st September, 2007 Montréal, Canada); the UNFPII (as an observer, 14-25 May, 2007, New York, USA) and the international conference on the effective nuclear regulatory systems: facing Safety and security challenges, (27th February-3rd March, 2006, Moscow, the Russian Federation).

The advocacy work of the candidate has been recognized by local chiefs of the Kanuri community who awarded him the traditional title of "Mai Arimma", which means 'Chief of Dye'.

The candidate has a number of publications on environmental issues such as biofuel, ocean pollution, radioactive waste and on social issues such as the impact of human activities in Africa, issues undermining Africa and problems threatening Africans and the African Americans.

**Professional experience**

**Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained**

The candidate is a geographer and administrator with work experience in the West and Central African region in both public and private sectors. He has knowledge of the educational, environmental, climatic, historical and demographic aspects of the African populations.

The candidate is the vice-president of the Kanuri Development Association from Nigeria since April 2006. He also held a position as a Nigerian ports' authority (December 2001-April 2006, Lagos, Nigeria).

The candidate has been part of the primary education board of the State of Borno in Maiduguri, Nigeria (1999-2001) and devoted one year to the National Youth Service Corps (1998-1999). He also acquired prior work experience at the Kanuri development association from 1992-1998.

The candidate has received a number of honors and distinctions such a the month award as best officer of the Nigerian Ports Authority (2004); the gold medal award 'NASTECH' (National Art, Science and Technical Education Competition, 1991); the best pupil Neatness and obedient award (1984) and the Andrew A. David (Coca-Cola Scholarship award winner).

He has also been beneficiary of a grant to participate in the 2007 session of the UNPFII and a grant by the International Atomic energy Agency (Vienna, Austria)

## Candidate Information : AFFAGNON IDOHOU, Josephine

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	AFFAGNON IDOHOU	<b>First Name</b>	Josephine Akouavi	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Benin	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Not specified

Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

(...) knowledge of the Human Rights Council and the CEDAW committee ; the Committee on the Rights of the Child , The High Commissioner for Refugees, and the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights

Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-2004- present : UNESCO Chair in Human Rights and Democracy, Université d'Abomey-Calavi, Benin  
-1998-2004: Ministry of Justice, Legislation and Human Rights, Human Rights Direction, Benin  
-1998-2000: human rights trainer, facilitator in a club of introduction to democracy and human rights and collaborator of the World Association of School as an Instrument for Peace.

The candidate was (...)the permanent secretary of the Human Rights National Consultative Council for 4 years, organized training sessions on human rights and refugee law in 14 African french speaking countries

### Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

See above.

## Candidate Information : AG MOHAMED, Habaye

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	AG MOHAMED	<b>First Name</b>	Habaye	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Mali	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Knowledge of human rights instruments as part of his legal education which was strengthened with activism and work experience as a trainer in human rights, particularly in relation to the rights of indigenous peoples.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The Candidate states the UN has played an important role in the promotion and protection of human rights and that maintaining peace and international security in accordance with the provisions of the UN Charter entrusted the organization with a critical mandate in particular in the protection and promotion of human rights. The Candidate also mentions that the UN acts through different mechanisms and specialized organisms.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Skills in the field of human rights promotion and protection within the framework of the associative indigenous movement of West and Nord Africa.

The candidate has provided advise to both civil society and governmental institutions in charge of the elaboration of reports on the situation of human rights and has provided training sponsored by national and international NGOs and international cooperation agencies in Mauritania.

The candidate has participated in a number of activities in Africa related to development, human rights, NGOs capacity-building and conflict resolution; he also attended the 1998 session of the former WGIP and the World Conference on Human Rights held in Vienna (1993).

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1989-1990: Deputy director, Department of Human Resources, CMDT, Mali  
1991- 1993: Consultant, World vision, ICRC, and Equilibre, Mauritania  
1994-1995: Coordinator of an information bulletin of grassroots communities, Enda TM, Senegal  
1995- 1998: Programme coordinator, West African programme on the fight against poverty, Enda/European Union, Senegal  
2000- 2002: Programme coordinator, Espoir / PMU interlife / Swedish cooperation, Mauritania  
2003- 2005: Programme officer, GRDR (Research and realization group for rural development), Mauritania  
2005- 2007: Operations officer, ACORD (Agency for Co-operation in Research and Development), Mauritania

## Candidate Information : ALARCON, Tomas

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ALARCON	<b>First Name</b>	Tomas	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Peru	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Knowledge of the international bill of human rights; the optional protocols to the ICCPR; the Vienna Declaration and Plan of Action; the United Nations Millennium Declaration; the ILO Convention 169; the CEDAW, the CAT, the CRC and its optional protocols.

Knowledge of the principles of the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Men; human rights principles based on an Andean cosmo-vision of the indigenous peoples native of South America. Knowledge of the traditional organization of communities and their relation to land, institutions of indigenous family law, basic rules of respect of land that traditional authorities and "amautas" practice in the social Andean life.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate is knowledgeable of the United Nations system, inter alia, because of his participation, since 1993, in a number of sessions of different UN Working Groups in Geneva and in the Commission on Sustainable Development in New York. He has acted also as a human rights defendant in cases involving indigenous communities and has presented them to the pertinent treaty bodies for which he has also elaborated reports on the situation of indigenous peoples in South America.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate is a lawyer of indigenous origin and holds a doctoral degree from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. He has a humanistic background and expertise in the administration of justice and the rights of indigenous peoples. He has a record in the activism, promotion and defense of human rights at the international, national and local levels. He is knowledgeable of the cosmovision of the ordinary peoples and nations of the former Tahuantinsuyo (Peru). Within his community of origin, he has experienced the special relation that the andean communities maintain with their lands and has also held advisory positions within his community of origin.

Since 1993, the candidate has participated, with approximately 200 declarations, in the working sessions of the UN Commission on Human Rights in the following working groups: WG on indigenous populations; WG on the draft Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples; the WG for the establishment of a Permanent Forum for indigenous issues (1998-2000), and after its creation, in the sessions of the Permanent Forum for indigenous issues (2001-2007).

He participated in the first session and subsequent sessions of the HRC; his participation has included the presentation of written proposals to the public sessions of the institution-building process [...]. In 2000 he participated in the consultations held by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of the indigenous people.

From 1999 to 2004 he participated in the sessions of the WG of the OAS on the proposed American Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples. He participated in the debates under article 8 (J) of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in important international events on the referred Convention, 1st meeting of the special WG of open composition on article 8 J and related resolutions of the Convention on Biological Diversity (Sevilla 2000); 5th meeting of the conference of the parties of the Convention on Biological Biodiversity.

The candidate has a number of publications on indigenous issues.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

31 years of professional experience as a lawyer (29 in Tacna and 2 in Lima). 1 year as substitute judge in the first civil court of Tacna. 2 years of experience as substitute public prosecutor of work and labour communities.

31 years of liberal exercise of advocacy before courts in Peru, focused on poverty reduction among indigenous communities, labour unions and associations.

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In his office, daily legal defence of [...] people victims of human rights violations; personal and daily contact with indigenous people who come to the city providing attention to their culture [...]

Since 1995 to Present, the candidate practices the legal defence of high-Andean communities of Tacna (Peru) affected by projects of extraction of water. He practices environmental protection of high-Andean ecosystems because of the mining risk in Tacna (Peru), oil extraction (Ecuador) and community organization (Bolivia). [...] The candidate has participated in [...] international events on the rights of indigenous peoples and has [...] experience in training representatives of the organizations and indigenous communities for the defense of their rights by pacific means. [...]

The candidate is the president of the NGO CAPAJ (Comisión Jurídica para el Auto Desarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos). Nowadays, the candidate supports the cause of the high Andean communities for the respect of their lands and natural resources; and has guided a campaign for the diffusion of the rights of indigenous peoples.

## Candidate Information : ALHASSANE, Ahmed

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ALHASSANE	<b>First Name</b>	Ahmed	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Niger	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the UN Charter, the International Bill of Human Rights and international legal instruments related to the following topics: human rights defenders, the right to self-determination, women's rights, children's rights, slavery, forced labour and similar practices, human rights and the administration of Justice, protection of detainees, freedom of information, freedom of association, marriage and family, right to culture, international cooperation and cultural development, nationality, statelessness, refugees and asylum seekers, war crimes and crimes against humanity, genocide, and international humanitarian law.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate (...) follows up regularly developments by human rights organizations and has documentation on this field.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate has a number of years of experience in the field in rural areas of Niger which are inhabited by indigenous peoples. The candidate is a person of indigenous origin and has mentioned in his application the following experience related to human rights

- 1986 : Member of the technical team that elaborated and negotiated in Washington the Project Education II of Niger
- 1995 – 2007 : Director of GASF "Groupe d'Appui à la Scolarisation de la Jeune Fille" (NGO defending children's right to education and especially girls)
- 2000 – 2007 : Monitor the alphabetization campaigns in rural areas in partnership with the Project supporting local development in Mayahi, ("Centre d'études et de coopération Internationale" and "Programme de développement de l'éducation non formelle")
- 2002 – 2003 : Training for rural organizations in partnership with the NGO AFRICARE
- 2003 – 2004 : Implementation of the project on development of the schooling of girls in the Guidan Roudji region in partnership with the Project for support to the local development of Maradi (PDLM)
- 2004-2006:
- 2004-2005 : Supervision of initial training and continuing education of community schools' education teachers within the project Children Of Desert (COD) of the NGO Care International
- May 2005: the candidate participated to the 4th session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York. He also did a presentation on the Millennium Development Goals.
- December 2005 : President of the Consultation Chamber of NGOs and Development Associations («Chambre de Concertation des ONG et Associations de Développement » CCOAD) Maradi, Niger
- 2005 – present : Member of the local committee on prevention and management of food crises in the Maradi region
- 2005: Training of members of the Management Committees of Schools (Comités de Gestion des Etablissements Scolaires) in partnership with UNICEF and the Regional Direction of education of Maradi
- 2005-2006: Supervisory control of the project school without AIDS « scolarité sans sida-PSSS», Maradi
- 20 -25 February 2006: Participation to the regional forum on a consultative and conscious participation of populations of saharo – sahelian pastoral areas to the process of creation, implementation and evaluation of development programmes, Agadez, Niger
- November 2006 : Participation to the Nigerian Social Forum
- 15 September 2007 –present : President of the support network for the creation and monitoring of community schools ("Réseau d'Appui à l'Emergence et au Suivi des Ecoles Communautaires" RAEMSEC)
- January 2007 : Communities training on avian influenza
- February 2007 : Participation through internet to the International Conference on Climate Change

The candidate participated to (...) international, regional, national forums, on education, civil society and capacity-building for NGOs

### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1965-2000: Ministry of Education, rural and urban areas of Niger
- 1995-2007: NGO « GASF », Maradi and Niamey regions, NigerThe candidate received a number of distinctions and awards, as follows:
- 1987 "Chevalier de l'ordre des Palmes Académiques" of Niger
- 1992 "Officier de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques" of Niger
- 1993 "Témoignage de satisfaction" attributed by the « Préfet » of the Zinder region
- 1998 « Commandeur de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques » of NigerThe candidate received a number of distinctions and awards, as follows:
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- 1998 « Commandeur de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques » of Niger

The candidate (...) was a teacher for several years in rural areas in Niger where Indigenous peoples live. He is an Indigenous himself and is sensitive to Indigenous issues. (...) Since 2000 he is retired and (...) works for civil society organizations to promote girls' education and (...) inform communities on the Millennium Development Goals. He founded the NGO "GASF", which pleads for education of all girls regardless of their social and ethnic status and also lead alphabetization campaigns for women in rural areas.

The candidate (...) is President of the support network for the creation and monitoring of community schools ("Réseau d'Appui à l'Emergence et au Suivi des Ecoles Communautaires" RAEMSEC)

Community schools in the Indigenous communities of Niger were created by the Care International project "Children of Desert" in partnership with GASF (...)

The candidate's tribal community elevated him as a tribal chief; he is the spiritual chief of the Tuaregs black natives.

In May 2005: the candidate participated to the 4th session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York. He also did a presentation on the Millennium Development goals.

## Candidate Information : ARAÚJO LEITÃO, Ana Valeria

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ARAÚJO LEITÃO	<b>First Name</b>	Ana Valeria	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Brazil	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate (...) is a lawyer by training, and holds a master degree in international law (1987) from the Washington College of Law, at the American University, in Washington, D.C., where she focused on international human rights law. At the American University, she learned about international human rights principles, norms and instruments, having the opportunity to specifically study those related to the system of the United Nations and of the Organization of American States.

During that period, she was also able to get (...) training at The Hague Academy of International Law, The Hague, in The Netherlands, where she attended a summer program in Public International Law, focusing on international human rights instruments related to the United Nations.

(...) She took a course at the Interamerican Institute of Human Rights, in San Jose, Costa Rica, to get special training on the Interamerican human rights system.

Besides her academic experience, the candidate had the opportunity to attend the sessions of the International Labor Organization in Geneva, which discussed the draft and adoption of ILO Convention 169 on Indigenous Peoples and Tribal Populations. Once the Convention was adopted, she assisted Indigenous peoples in Brazil in their struggle to get the Brazilian government to ratify the Convention, and monitored during several years the ratification procedures before the Brazilian Congress. After the ratification of Convention 169 by the Brazilian government, she was hired by the ILO office in Brazil to translate the document into Portuguese.

By the end of the 80's and the beginning of the 90's, she (...) attended the sessions of the U.N. Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and of the Subcommission on Minorities, participating, as a human rights expert, in the process which resulted in the draft of the U.N. Declaration on Indigenous Peoples Rights, recently adopted. The candidate has (...) contributed to the discussions on the draft of an Interamerican Declaration on Indigenous Rights. She has been asked to participate in this process once again as a human rights lawyer, and was invited to attend sessions at the OAS as a Brazilian expert on Indigenous issues.

After the adoption of Convention on Biological Diversity in 1992, she got deeply involved in the discussions about international and national procedures to regulate access to traditional knowledge associated to genetic resources. She has attended several meetings of the Conference of the Parties (COP) of CBD, and of Ad-Hoc Working Groups on Article 8(j) and other related subjects. During the COPs held in Buenos Aires (Argentina) and in Curitiba (Brazil), she was invited to integrate Brazil's official delegation as an international human rights lawyers and an expert on indigenous peoples' rights. In Brazil, she has been asked by Indigenous organizations to contribute to the process of developing new legislation in order to protect indigenous peoples' intellectual rights, and has been monitoring government and non-governmental efforts to put together an adequate bill of law.

She has written articles, papers, and she has given (...) lectures on these matters both in Brazil and abroad. Since 2005, she has been invited to serve as an assistant professor at a postgraduate program of a (...) Brazilian Business and Law School (Fundação Getúlio Vargas), where she has been teaching classes on Indigenous Intellectual Rights (international and local protection to traditional knowledge associated to genetic resources). She is also teaching a class on the same subject at another postgraduate school in São Paulo (Centro de Extensão Universitária - CEU).

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

(...) In addition to the above mentioned academic training and to the knowledge acquired by attending U.N. and OAS sessions and special meetings to draft international human rights documents, the candidate had (...) the opportunity to learn about the Interamerican human rights system when she worked, back in 1987, as a legal intern at the Interamerican Commission on Human Rights. (...) She was able to review petitions related to human rights abuses, to prepare reports and recommendations for the Commission, and to deal with the Commission's internal procedures, getting to actually understand the OAS institutional mandate in the area of human rights: formal extension, political and bureaucratic limits, possible and feasible impacts.

In 1988, she was granted a fellowship by the International Institute of Education to work at a not-for-profit organization based in Washington, D.C. - the Indian Law Resource Center (ILRC). (...) The candidate worked on international human rights cases related to Indigenous peoples, and to devote her attention to the Indigenous situation in Brazil. Her responsibilities included preparing human rights complaints on behalf of Indigenous peoples for presentation before the UN Working Group on Indigenous Populations and the OAS Commission on Human Rights. This job required a clear understanding of the institutional mandates and of the differences of both institutions in the area of human rights.



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(...) The candidate worked for non-profit organizations that provided legal assistance to Indigenous peoples in different regions of the country. Her responsibilities included not only representing Indigenous peoples before the Brazilian Courts, but also before international forums such as the OAS Commission on Human Rights, the UN Commission on Human Rights and most recently the UN Forum for Indigenous Peoples, as well as the International Labour Organization. She (...) had also to represent the interests of Indigenous peoples from Brazil before multilateral agencies such as the World Bank and the Interamerican Bank, which required an understanding of their institutional mandates in the area of international human rights, and, most specifically, in the field of Indigenous peoples rights. In fact, her (...) experience as a lawyer who defends Indigenous peoples rights reflects a continuous learning effort to monitor the evolution of standards in international law, and of the impact of such process on the mandates of international organizations and agencies in the area of human rights.

### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

(...) The candidate is a (...) human rights lawyer with almost twenty years of work in the defense of Indigenous peoples' rights. She has represented Indigenous peoples before Brazilian Federal Courts, Court of Appeals and Supreme Court, as well as before international forums and multilateral agencies. Some of the most relevant cases in which she worked include representing the Yanomami people, from the Brazilian Amazon, back in the end of the 80's, in a case brought before the OAS Commission on Human Rights to claim recognition for their land rights. By then, the Yanomami traditional lands were under an (...) invasion by gold miners, which was the cause of (...) human rights violations. Complaints were also presented to the U.N. Working Group on Indigenous Populations, to the Subcommission on Minorities, and to the Commission on Human Rights. The international measures had an enormous impact, and together with many other local measures helped minimizing the violation of Yanomami rights, as the government recognized and officially demarcated the Yanomami territory in the beginning of the 90's.

Another relevant experience was the case of the Panará Indians, from the State of Pará in the Brazilian Amazon, who had been forcedly removed from their lands in the 70's, and wanted to return to their traditional territory. In this case, the Brazilian government recognized the land rights of the Panará people after a lawsuit which was settled before the Federal Court to grant compensation for moral and material damages to the Panará Indians. It was the first case which recognized that previous governmental policies towards Indigenous peoples in Brazil violated their rights and human rights law, setting up a (...) precedent in our history.

When serving as the Executive Director of the Rainforest Foundation US, in 2002 and 2003, the candidate had the opportunity to learn about Indigenous situation in Guiana, Suriname, Ecuador, Colombia and Peru, and to support the legal defense of their rights in those countries and before international forums.

The candidate (...) has experience on the protection of natural resources and of environmental rights in Indigenous lands, as well as on the protection of intellectual property rights and traditional knowledge of Indigenous peoples. She has provided legal assistance to Indigenous communities and organizations in Brazil on the most updated developments of both international law and the national legislation related to this subject.

(...) Her activities include an (...) effort to disseminate knowledge with regard to Indigenous peoples rights (...)

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2006- present: Executive Director, Brazil Fund for Human Rights, São Paulo, SP, Brazil  
-2005- 2006: Independent Consultant specialized in indigenous rights, human rights and environmental law, Brazil  
-2002- 2004: Executive Director, Rainforest Foundation U.S., Ney York, USA  
-1997-1998: Chief of staff, Federal Prosecutors Office, Brazil  
-1995-1997/1999-2002/ 2004-2005: Attorney/ Program Coordinator/ Deputy Coordinator, Socio-environmental Institute (Instituto Socioambiental-ISA), São Paulo, SP and Brasília, DF, Brazil  
-1989- 1994: Attorney, Nucleus for Indigenous Rights (Núcleo de Direitos Indígenas - NDI), Brasília, DF, Brazil

The candidate received the following awards:

-"Claudia Awar d2000" - selected together with other fourteen professional women by Claudia Magazine for the ability to find (...) solutions and to contribute for the improvement of life standards of Indigenous peoples in Brazil;  
-"Latin American Leaders for the New Millennium", Time Magazine/CNN Network- selected May 1999, together with other forty nine young Latin American personalities, for (...) achievements in the professional field related to the defence of Indigenous peoples' rights, and for the ability to have an impact on society;  
-"International Human Rights Internship Program", Institute of International Education, New York, NY- fellowship awarded January 1988 to work at the Indian Law Resource Center, and before international forums of human rights;  
-Recipient, of the "Seymour J. Rubin Scholarship", American University, Washington College of Law- awarded January 1988 for academic excellence in the field of international human rights law. She is the author of over 32 articles, papers, opinions and a few books on Indigenous issues, including case studies to help multiply the legal work on behalf of Indigenous peoples in Brazil. Two years ago, the Brazilian Special Office on Policies for Equality Promotion (SEPPPIR) published

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a book on the issue of ethnic-racial equality within the Brazilian legislation, and invited the candidate to write the chapter on the situation of Indigenous Peoples. Most recently, a series of books on Brazil's Indigenous situation that is being sponsored by the Ministry of Education includes a book by the candidate. The book presents an overview of the rights of Indigenous Peoples in Brazil, from 1500 to this day, including an analysis of Indigenous rights from an international human rights law perspective.

## Candidate Information : AVIRAMA, Jesus Rey

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	AVIRAMA	<b>First Name</b>	Jesus Rey	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Colombia	United States		<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate (...) has knowledge of the United Nations and the Organization of American States' instruments related to Indigenous peoples

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate stated he (...) has knowledge of these mandates

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate has working experience on indigenous issues and has been a regional indigenous representative in his country of origin, as follows:

- 1999- 2000: Member of the Negotiation Commission, created by the decree No289 of 1999 , representative of the Kokonuco community, Kokonuco, Cauca, Colombia
- 1998- 2000: President, "Asociacion de Cabildos Genaro Sanchez", Elaboration of an Indigenous environmental strategy for the Kokonuco people; Delegate of the team that elaborated the proposed strategy for the Cauca province, Kokonuco, Cauca, Colombia
- 1997-1998: Advisor of Ms. Claudia Pinieros, Member of the Departamental Assembly of Cauca, Alternative Movement Social Indigenous Alliance (Movimiento alternativo Alianza Social Indigena)
- 1993-1997: Coordinator, Training programme of the Regional Indigenous Council of Cauca (CRIC) for Indigenous leaders.
- 1991: Advisor of Fransisco Rojas Birry, a member of the National Constituent Assembly to elaborate the indigenous proposals for the 1991 Constitution
- 1990-1992: Coordinator and International representative, "Campaña de Autodescubrimiento," Coordination with regional indigenous organizations, trade-unions, and Black communities at the latin american level, to find a common position on the significance of 500 years of European presence in the Americas
- 1987- 1989: Delegate of the Regional Indigenous Council of Cauca (CRIC) to help with the guidance of the National Indigenous Organization of Colombia (ONIC)
- 1986-1996: Director of the newspaper "Unidad Alvaro Ulcue"
- 1984- 1986: Coordinator, Training programm of the CRIC on training of Indigenous Readers and advice to the members of the indigenous "Cabildos" of the Cauca region
- 1979- 1983: President, Regional Indigenous Council of Cauca (CRIC)
- 1975-1978: Indigenous Regional Council of Cauca, training and advice to 6 indigenous "Resguardos" (Indigenous territories) in the Caldono municipality.
- 1972- 1974: Coordination and training of community labour, Indigenous reserve of Kokonuco.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate has (...) 25 years of experience in the protection of Indigenous peoples' rights. The candidate was part of (...) numerous commission of negotiation with the Colombian State on the situation of Indigenous peoples' lands and resources. He participated to the commission of negotiation, created by decree No. 289 of 1999, as a representative of the Indigenous community Kokonuco and lectured on Indigenous issues in American universities in 2000 and 2001.

## Candidate Information : AYLWIN OYARZUN, José Antonio

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	AYLWIN OYARZUN	<b>First Name</b>	José Antonio	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Chile	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

- The candidate worked for 25 years as a lawyer specialized in the promotion and defence of human rights, as a university professor, a researcher and a consultant for different international organizations (CEPAL; IWGIA; IIDH; etc.)
- He wrote several publications and has knowledge of the organs, mechanisms, proceedings, of the United Nations system, and the Inter-American system of human rights in particular in the field of Indigenous peoples' rights

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

- The candidate (...) has knowledge of Treaty bodies of the UN system as well as the Inter-American system and the existing mandates

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- The candidate (...) specialized in human rights since university, he wrote his graduate thesis in the University of Chile on human rights in the 1978 Spanish constitution; he studied as a visiting fellow at the Columbia University, USA on economic, social and cultural rights in Latin America
- He specialized in Indigenous peoples' rights, produced studies and publications on their situation in Chile
- He completed a Master's degree in Canada, with a thesis on Indigenous peoples' rights in Chile and Canada (comparative study)
- He produced studies on indigenous land in Latin America for CEPAL (2001) and on Ombudsman and Indigenous rights in Latin America for the IIDH (2006). He taught Indigenous Law at the "Universidad de la Frontera de Temuco", Chile, Universidad Católica de Temuco, and currently at the "Universidad Austral" of Chile, Valdivia
- He was invited to give courses as visiting professor at the University of Arizona, USA, by the Human Rights Center of the University of Deusto, Bilbao. He was director of the Institute of Indigenous Studies of the "Universidad de la Frontera de Temuco" (1994-1997), and Co-Director of the Observatory of Indigenous Peoples' rights in Temuco, Chile
- He worked with Mapuche communities
- He participated in seminars of the UN on human rights and indigenous people (Yukon, 1996; Santiago, 1993; Arizona, 2005; Montreal, 2007; Santiago, 2007) where he made presentations as an expert
- The candidate participated in seminars (2003) and hearings of the Inter-American system of human rights
- He worked in collaboration with the UN special rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people, especially during his mission to Chile in 2003 and in other events on thematic areas (implementation Arizona 2005, Montreal, 2006)

The candidate (...) has experience in human rights and particularly Indigenous peoples' rights. He has experience in research, documentation, field work with Indigenous peoples.

- His competence is recognized in Chile, Latin America, in States where he undertook research (Argentina, Bolivia, Brasil, Guatemala, Mexico, and Nicaragua, among others)
- At the international level, he participated in different seminar courses in the framework of activities of the UN and Inter-American systems

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2004-2008: Observatory on Indigenous Peoples' Rights (Observatorio de Derechos de los Pueblos Indígenas), Temuco, Chile
- 2004: Consultant, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, based in San Jose, Costa Rica but worked on 10 countries
- 2000-2001: Consultant, Economic Commission for Latin America, Santiago, Chile (Research in 5 Latin American States)
- 1994-2004: Institute of Indigenous Studies, Universidad de la Frontera, Temuco, Chile

## Candidate Information : AZIMOVA, Dinora

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	AZIMOVA	<b>First Name</b>	Dinora	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Uzbekistan	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate possesses knowledge of human rights instruments, such as declarations, adopted by United Nations General Assembly, and conventions, concluded under international law. She has knowledge of definition of standards of human rights' norms and regulations, governments commitment to those norms and principles, regardless whom these applied in terms of race, gender, ethnic origin, believes or age.

She may provide (...) international level monitoring identifying to what extent governments do respect basic rights of their people, without discrimination in the allocation of national resources, ensuring that those national resources are used fairly to give everyone, including the indigenous people, equitable chances.

Being member of a board of (...) NGOs, in position of UNDP Human Development Advisor she struggles to uphold norms and standards of Human Rights in a situation, when the market values takes precedence over basic standards of cultural rights, of social as well as civil and political rights of Indigenous people.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has (...) experience and knowledge of institutional mandates related to the UN in theory and, which is very important for the UN expert, in practice. Working as Human development advisor in the UNDP office in Tashkent, she organized trainings, conferences and seminars on different aspects of Human rights, with emphasis on cultural ones.

She made some personal inputs in pushing forward countries cooperation for their mutual welfare, initiating cross borders cooperation between artisans within the World Bank project, being an active member of Central Asia Cultural Academy initiative group. She was again in this position discussing and adopting Declaration of Cultural diversity in Central Asia (Almaty, June 2007).

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate is the head of the research center of Demography and Migration Process of the Academy of labor and Social Relations. She is a part-time professor of the University of World Economy and Diplomacy (UWED) in tashkent, Uzbekistan and holds a Ph.D in Cultural heritage and gender.

The candidate has organized a series of seminars and conferences focused on the rights of migrant workers and their families through over Fergana Valley (Kokand, Fergana, Andean, Namangan, Margilon), and in Samarkand, Jizzah, Bukhara). She (has also organized discussion sessions on issues of migration in Vienna during conferences supported by UN in 2005 and 2007. She has initiated artisan schools to revive ancient arts of Central Asia, first in collaboration with national "Usto" organization, and later in cooperation with the World Bank, when more than seventy classes through all over Uzbekistan have been created to teach youth ancient arts of embroidery, wood carving, ceramic, hand production of natural silk, carpets, and so on. Many alumni of those schools now have their own production of cultural artifacts, and those schools have played a (...) role in the preservation of culture and traditional ways of life of Indigenous people.

The candidate wrote the scenario "In the land of dreams" published in the magazine "World Literature" #3, 2007 (Tashkent) about life of indigenous people, nominated as best publication of the last year. She is the script writer of the documentary film "National custom", nominated for the award of Committee of cinematographers of USSR. She is an activist for promotion and development of cultures of indigenous people of Fergana Valley and of Karakalpakistan and has initiated a program for preservation of cultural heritage of people of Karakalpakistan.

Selected list of conferences/seminars organized and attended during last years:

- 6—9.12.07KCTOS, Vienna, Session "Issues of labor migration in Eastern Europe and Central Asia", session organizer moderator, and paper presenter
- 09.2007World gathering of Indigenous nomadic People and Transhumant pastores, Madrid, Spain
- 4.11- 12.11.2007 "Piece and Development" International Conference, Chandigarh, India
- 03.03.06Migration and Gender issues, Tashkent, UWED
- 06.2006 Multiculturalism, religious dialog and cultural diversity in Central Asia, Almaty, UNESCO
- 1—12.12.06«Afghanistan an regional security: Five years after Taliban" Dushanbe, Institute of

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- Oriental Studies, Tajikistan  
11-16.11.06 Conference "Peace and Development", Chandigarh, India  
22-24.05.06 International Seminar on "The Development of a Social Market Economy of India: experience and problems"  
09.04.05 Conference of Fulbright Scholars ""Centennial Celebration" to honor the late Senator Fulbright's achievements on his 100th birthday.  
15.03.05 Avicenna about women's health issues. Conference devoted to 1075 Jubilee  
18.03.05 Rights of Labor Migrants, Bukhara – seminar organized and presenter  
24-6.02.2004 Intercultural dialog and cultural diversity in Central Asia, Almaty, UNESCO  
16-23.08.04 ICANAS 37, Moscow, World Congress of Orientalists  
03- 04.2004 Theory of Gender and Methodology of gender analysis, Tashkent "Gender sensitive Human Development analysis"  
09 –16. 2004 Restructuring of Land- and - Water Use in Uzbekistan: A Pilot Project in Development Research", Bonn  
11.2003 Central Asian culture during years of independence - UNESCO conference "The Unifying Aspects of Cultures", section: Central Asia and the Modern World: Confrontation, Dialogue or Interactivity? - Vienna  
17.10.2003 Regional seminar «Labor Legislation and its implications on Human Development in Uzbekistan», Tashkent - seminar organizer and paper presenter  
10.2003 Conference "Role of women Social Science education in Central Asia: problems and perspectives" organized by Central Asian Resource Center, Tashkent  
03.2003 Regional seminar «Gender Dimension of Human Development» - initiator, organizer and paper presenter, Qoqand (Uzbekistan)  
06.2003 Intercultural Dialog of Women in Central Asia, Dushanbe (organized by UNESCO)  
06.2003 Prospects for democracy in Central Asia, Istanbul (Organized by Swedish Institute for Social Studies, Copenhagen)  
05.2003 Human Development indicators and measurement. Bratislava, Slovakia  
2004-05 Rights of Migrant workers (Series of seminars organized in Bukhara, Ferghana and other cities)  
10.2002 Cultural Heritage of Central Asia in 21 century, Kyrgyzstan (Organized by Soros Foundation)  
09.2002 Social problems of CA countries in transition period. Monopoly, Italy  
09.2002 Conference of European Society of Central Asian Scholars, Paper "Contemporary Political Situation in CA", Bordo (France)  
09.2002 Problems of professional education, Dushanbe, Tajikistan  
02.2002 Problems of Higher Education in Asia. Almaty  
04.2002 Ecological problems of Lower Amu-Daria region. Tashkent - Khorezm  
05.2002 Border issues and Sino-Russian relations in 20 century, Blagoveschensk  
06.2002 Neighboring countries and its Role in post-war reconstruction in Afghanistan – Tashkent  
08.2001 Second International Conference of Asian Scholars, Berlin  
05 2001 Social assessment and analysis in water management - WB, Tashkent  
03. 2001 Seminar "Capacity building in evaluation and monitoring" World Bank Institute, Istanbul  
10.2001 The End of Tradition? – Int. Association for the study of Traditional Environment - Napoli, Italy  
  
10.2000 Geoculture and Geopolitics (Case Study of Central Asia) - seventh Annual Congress of the German Middle East Studies, section: Political and Social Development in Central Asia  
10.1999 4 th annual workshop on Central Asian study, University of Wisconsin-Madison "Gender legacy of Central Asia (sampling Uzbekistan)"  
11.1999 "The Role of Mahalla in Uzbek Society: Past and Present", SOAS, London  
11. 1999 "Ethnic Legacy of Empire in Post-Soviet Central Asia" – conference "Between the Bloc and the Hard Place", SSEES, London University, UK  
10. 1999 Gender Problems in rural Central Asia, University of Wisconsin – Madison, USA  
10.1998 Current Economic and Political Issues of Central Asia – American Association for Advanced Slavic Studies conference, Seattle, USA

### RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH:

- Woman, science and local practice in Central Asia., Encyclopedia "Woman and Islam, Netherland, 2007
- External Politics of France during the Presidency of Jacques Chirac, 2007, Patent Press, 248 pages
- Migration and Europe (speech on the Plenary session of KCTOS conference Published in the Internet <http://www.KCTOS.at>
- Migration issues in Post-Soviet Central Asia (conference report, Vienna. Published in the Internet) [http://www.inst.at/irics/index\\_english.htm](http://www.inst.at/irics/index_english.htm)
- Человеческое развитие и гендер. Материалы центрально - азиатских региональных научно-практических семинаров (март 2003 и октябрь 2004гг, г. Коканд) , Т. 2005 - 170 с. Отв. редактор Д. Азимова
- Возникновение и сущность концепции человеческого развития. Сборник «Человеческое развитие и гендер», Т. 2005, с.8 – 14
- Зависимость человеческого развития от материального благосостояния, образованности и здоровья Сборник «Человеческое развитие и гендер», Т. 2005, с. 86 – 95
- Человеческая безопасность - новое направление концепции человеческого развития. Сборник «Человеческое развитие и гендер», Т. 2005, с. 111 –115
- Towards mutual understanding through exchange of knowledge. T. Fan, 2005 Book edited by Dinora Azimova

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- Catching spirit of Senator W. Fulbright for achievement of Millennium Development Goals, in the book "Towards mutual understanding through exchange of ideas and knowledge". Fan, 2005 P. 12-16
- Labor Migration in Global and Regional processes. Article in book "Labor Migration: Social and Legal Issues". Fan, 2005 (Chief editor - Dinora Azimova)
- New Geopolitical situation in Central Asia as component of global security system. Second volume of ICANAS publications, Moscow 2004, p. 285-288
- Social Issues of Handicapped people Protection Tashkent, 2004, P. 12-16
- Democracy in Central Asia and its Social Impact. Proceedings of the conference "Foreign Models of Democratic Rule", Swedish Research Institute, Copenhagen, 2005
- Book Principle of Neutrality of Switzerland and its importance in contemporary politics (with co-author S. Usmanov), 2005
- Lecture text "Theory and practice of modern geopolitics", 2004
- Women in Intercultural Dialog in Central Asia UNESCO, Dushanbe, Proceedings of the conference 2004 Women in Sustainable development in Global world
- Global HD Reports and HDIs. Central newspaper "Pravda Vostoka" 29.06.04
- Curricula for the Sustainable Human Development course. UWED, 2004
- Issues of Legal Protection Handicapped people. Tashkent, 2003
- Role of Women during urbanization process in medieval Central Asia. CEES 4th Conference, Harvard, USA, October 2003
- Role of Women during urbanization process in medieval Central Asia. CEES 4th Conference, Harvard, USA, October 2003
- Role of non- governmental organizations in democratic processes in new independent states of Central Asia. UWED. Uzbekistan 2003
- Aktualnost' razvitiya IT dluya resheniya problemi medico-socialnoy, psihoolgicheskoy i professionalnoy reabilitatsii – Conference proceeding of National University of Uzbekistan, Tashkent, 2002
- Role of Migration in Process of Globalization – Journal "International Relations", Tashkent, #3, 2002
- Rebirth of Uzbek national culture during 10 years of Independence, Austria, Vienna, 2002
- Gender Problem of Central Asia (Case study of Republic of Uzbekistan) Proceedings of the conference. Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington DC, USA 2000
- Questions of Cultural Heritage, Social Development, and Politics on the EXPO 2000. IFU, University of Hanover, October 2000
- Geo - Culture and Geo - Politics: Inter-relations of the Notions. T., UWED Press, 2001
- National, Regional and Global in the Culture of Central Asia Peoples. Autoreferat of Doctoral dissertation. 2000
- Human Development Report, Chapter 5, UNDP, Uzbekistan, 1999
- Farmers Perception of Water Distribution Practices, and Strategy, which is influencing it. Traditional rules of Water Sharing in the Region. Paper of conference "Improvement of effectiveness and sustainability of water and land use in the lower Amu-Darya region". ZEF, University of Bonn 2000
- Group interests and water distribution on the local level. Lack of water and ethnic tensions. Paper of conference "Improvement of effectiveness and sustainability of water and land use in the lower Amu-Darya region". ZEF, University of Bonn 2000
- Культурологическая целостность Центральной Азии в постсоветский период. "Евразийское сообщество: экономика, политика, безопасность", Казахстан, Алматы, №2, 1997 г. С. 118-119
- Ethnic Legacy of Empire in Post-Soviet Central Asia. Conference publications, Conference "Between the Bloc and the Hard Place", University of London, UK, November 5-7, 1999. 14 p.

Other publications:

More than 70 articles during last six years.

Poetry books "Ferghana", "Onajon" - 2001, "Harlem" in 2004, Not a Silk Road – 2007

Monograph "Central Asia Civilization" 2007 (prepared for printing).

Monograph "Culture of Peoples of Central Asia", Moscow, Nauka, 1985

Film Scripts in magazine "Jahon Adabiyoti" (World Literature) 2007, #3

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 01.02.2008 Head of Research center of Demography and Migration process, Academy of Labor & Social Relations, Russian Federation
- 01.03.05 – present. (part-time) Professor, University of World Economy and Diplomacy (UWED), Tashkent
- 03.05 – 12.06 Social Assessment LLC, Washington DC
- 01.02.05 – 01.02.06 Head of Scientific Counsel, (UWED), Tashkent
- 09.02 – 01.04.05 Human Development Advisor, UNDP, Uzbekistan
- 06.00 - 09.02 International Fund: "East Woman", Head of Board of Directors
- 01.12.98 - 06.00 Professor, Head of Department of International Relations, University of World Economy and Diplomacy, Tashkent
- 04. 2002 – p.t. Expert of Eurasia Group
- 02.2001 – 01.2005 International Expert of Soros foundation
- 02.2002 – p.t. International Expert of TEMPUS (EU)
- 02. 2002 – pt. Editorial board for the International Magazine:

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European Rim Policy and Investment Council (ERPIC), Cyprus  
01.01.99 – 01.10.02 Leader of Republican NGO  
"Strategy – Civilization, Gender, Stability" or "Strategy"  
03.99 - 09. 99 Local expert, UNDP office in Tashkent  
06. 98 - 12. 98 Consultant of the World Bank, Washington DC, MNSD group  
09. 97 - 06. 98 Fulbright Visiting Scholar at the Center for International Security &  
Arms Control, Stanford University, USA  
96- 01. 99 Head of Department of Prognosis & References,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Uzbekistan  
1995 – 1996 Professor of Business Planning and Strategy, International MBA Program,  
University of World Economy and Diplomacy, Tashkent  
1992 – 1995 Professor of Sociology, UWED, Tashkent  
1990 – 1992 Researcher, Department of Sociology, Tashkent State University  
1988 – 1990 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Department of Economics,  
Orient University, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba  
1981 – 1988 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Tashkent State University  
1978 – 1981 Aspirant (PH.D. scholar), Institute of Philosophy, Department of Sociology,  
Academy of Science, Moscow  
1976 – 1978 Teacher of philosophy, Tashkent State University  
1976 – 1978 Script writer, Documentary film studio, Tashkent



## Candidate Information : BOENKIH, Sarimin

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	BOENKIH	<b>First Name</b>	Sarimin	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	France	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of general human rights instruments, the International bill of human rights, specific instruments (CEDAW, CRC, CERD, ILO convention 169, Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples), and regional instruments, especially the European human rights system

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of the mandate of ECOSOC and its subsidiary organs, the UN Special Committee on Decolonization, and the European Court on human rights, the European model of jurisdictional control of human rights. He is also knowledgeable of the systems of communications /petitions in the United Nations and in Europe.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate is a human rights defendant and currently is the President of the Customary senate of New-Caledonia which is the institution in charge of all aspects related to the Kanak people, to which the candidate belongs to.

The candidate has been trainer for French speaking people from the Pacific in the Diplomacy Training Programme on human rights. He has provided advise and assistance to the New Caledonian customary Senate and the Indigenous Council for the management of natural resources (CAUGERN). He works with the National Council for the rights of Indigenous peoples (CNDPA) and is the founder and coordinator of trainings in the Oceania Centre for training on human rights (COFDH)

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1991- present : Trainer for human rights promotion, specialized in Indigenous peoples' rights, « Kanak » development agency, Noumea, New Caledonia
- Consultant to the customary Senate of New Caledonia
- Advisor for the development of small companies in tribal areas
- Cultural consultant specialized in cultures and societies of the Pacific
- 1999- 2000: Member of the executive committee, in charge of external relations and protocol, Organizational Committee of the 7th Pacific Arts Festival
- 1992- 1998: Coordinator of delegations from New Caledonia to the 6th and 7th Arts festivals of Melanesia.
- 1996 à 2004 : Petitioner to the Decolonization Committee of the UN, Seminars of the Pacific
- 1986- 1990 : Permanent representative AKDEC-FLNKS, Sydney, Australia
- Petitioner FLNKS to the 4th Commission and Decolonization Committee of the UN, New York, 44th, 45th et 46th sessions of the General Assembly
- 1983- 1985 : Economic and cultural development, Office Culturel & Office de développement de l'Intérieur et des Iles, Nouméa, New Caledonia-

[The candidate's experience is] recognized by the New Caledonian customary Senate and local indigenous organizations. He is a member of the international NGO « Coordination Autochtone Francophone» Quebec, Canada, and representative for west Pacific

He participated to several international conferences and interventions on indigenous people:

- 1987: Human Rights in Melanesia, Herbert V. Evatt Memorial Foundation Conference NSW School of Arts - Sydney, Australia
- 1993 : Droits des minorités, droits des immigrants dans les grandes métropoles Université d'Ottawa, Canada
- 1993: World Conference on human rights held in Vienna
- 1996, 1998, 2000, 2004 : Seminars on the Decolonization Committee, Papouasie-Nouvelle Guinée
- 1998 : Organizational committee of the Conference on Indigenous peoples from the Pacific, Suva, Fidji
- 2001: Millennium conference of Indigenous, Panama City, Panama.
- 2003: The Indigenous nations of Canada, Self determination, sovereignty on land and resources,

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- relations with governments and extractive industries, Toronto, Ottawa, Montréal, Canada.
- 2006 : 1st World Congress of French speaking Indigenous, "Coordination Autochtone Francophone", Agadir, Maroc
- 2007: United Steelworkers Union, Métallos, relations with Indigenous peoples of Labrador and Terre Neuve, Sudbury, Ontario; Goose Bay, Labrador and Terre Neuve
- Civil society and human security in the Pacific, Citizen Constitutional Forum, Nadi, Fiji
- 6th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York, USA
- Papua New Guinea's Sustainable Development Forum, Divine World University, Madang, Papua New Guinea
- 2008: Mining and Indigenous Peoples Issues Roundtable: Continuing a Dialogue between Indigenous Peoples and Mining Companies, IUCN- ICMM, Sydney, Australia

## Candidate Information : BOUQUET-ELKAÏM, Jérôme Roger

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	BOUQUET-ELKAÏM	<b>First Name</b>	Jérôme Roger Edm	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	France	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate(...) has developed knowledge on human rights instruments and norms as a researcher, a university professor and a lawyer

From 1996 to 2001: he undertook research on international human rights law. He wrote a thesis on the construction of the law of Indigenous peoples ("la construction du droit des peuples autochtones: droit international et pluralisme juridique")

He studied the answers that could be brought to the issue of Indigenous peoples' rights by the different legal instruments: the Charter of human rights (ICCPR, ICESCR, the Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the slavery Convention, the Genocide Convention, the CEDAW, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment, the European Convention for the Prevention of Torture, International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid, International convention for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance, the 1949 Geneva Conventions, the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

He studied the impact of certain norms (...) adopted in UN agencies, especially UNESCO : the Convention against Discrimination in Education, the Declaration on Race and Racial Prejudice, Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions; (...) and of the World Bank, the WHO and WIPO etc...

The candidate also studied the work of the International Labour Organization especially Convention n°29 of 1930, the study " les peuples autochtones : conditions de vie et de travail des populations autochtones des pays indépendants " (Geneva, ILO Studies and Reports, n°35, 1953), the Convention n°107 of 1957 and Convention n°169 of 1989

He has knowledge of the progressive recognition of Indigenous peoples in the framework of development of international environmental law (...)

The candidate has knowledge of the work of experts and special rapporteurs of the UN in the field of human rights and Indigenous issues.

He has knowledge (...) of the study of Mr. Martinez COBO (" Etude du problème des discriminations à l'encontre des populations autochtones"), reports of the Working Group on Indigenous Peoples, Madame. DAES, Monsieur ALFONSO-MARTINEZ, Monsieur GUISSSE, Monsieur STAVENHAGEN etc.

The candidate is a lawyer in the field of national and international human rights (...), he has knowledge of: the ICCPR and the case-law of the Human Rights Committee, the ICESCR and the case-law of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the CERD Convention and Committee; and regional instruments and norms (European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and the case-law of the European Court on Human Rights, the Interamerican Court on Human Rights and Interamerican Commission on Human Rights; and the African human rights systems)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

He taught for 2 years at the University of Tours. (...) He gave classes on international institutions, the UN human rights system, and the regional human rights instruments and mechanisms

From 1998 to 2006 the candidate followed the work of the Working Group on Indigenous Peoples and the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues since its creation (...) He has knowledge of UN mandates in the field of human rights.

The candidate has knowledge of the Human Rights Council activities and the ECOSOC and other UN organs activities in the field of human rights (...)

He has knowledge of the special procedures and the universal periodic review

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Since 2004 : the candidate is a legal counselor of Indigenous « Kanaks » and of an Indian Nation of the Saskatchewan, Canada in the framework of proceedings before the Inter-american Commission of Human Rights

Since 2008: he gives legal advice to Tuaregs from the southern Sahara. He was a consultant for other organisations, or companies.

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The candidate follows up cases related to human rights' protection at the national and international level. He intervenes in negotiations or mediations to settle disputes and ensure respect for human rights

He taught for 2 years at the University of Tours where he gave courses on international human rights law

He participated to conferences, seminars:

- 2007: Training on Indigenous peoples' rights, University of Mulhouse, France
- 2007 : Conference on the adoption of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, University of Noumea, New Caledonia
- 2006: Legal advisor for a round table on the legal status of the Dene Nation of Buffalo River, Canada
- 1998 – 2006 : Observer to the Working Group on Indigenous Peoples Geneva, Switzerland
- October 2006 : Organization and animation of a round table on Indigenous rights and the prevention of conflicts at the South Pacific Commission in collaboration with OHCHR, Nouméa, New Caledonia
- 2005: Intervention to the Customary Senate of New Caledonia, consultation on mining activities and Indigenous rights, New Caledonia
- 2005: Organization of a conference in Nouméa, New Caledonia, on the evolution of international human rights law and the judicial ways for preventive settlement of disputes
- 2003: Conference on international criminal justice at the Parliament of Bretagne for the festival "Images de la Justice" (<http://www.rennet.org/dossiers/mars2003/justice/index.htm>), Rennes, France
- 2003: Consultations for the POUEBO chefferie, on the Noumea agreement and Indigenous rights, New Caledonia,
- Organization and animation of a round table on the Noumea Agreement, balancing and perspectives
- Legal consultations for the National Council for the Indigenous Peoples' Rights of New Caledonia, Nouméa, New Caledonia
- 2001 : Presentation of « Revue Internationale de Droit des Peuples Autochtones » at the book show –identities, indigenous cultures of UNESCO
- 2001 : Daily conference/meeting between students of the University François Rabelais and the indigenous interns of UNESCO
- 2000 : International observer to the presidential elections in Guatemala at the request of the Central American Indigenous Coordination
- 2000 : Working Group on Bedouins within the Conference « Jérusalem, Culture et Communauté » ; Jérusalem, Israel
- 1999 : Supervision of local elections and legal expertise on the land rights of the Rehoboth Basters community, Namibia
- 1998- 2003: President of the study group on Indigenous peoples, an NGO working for the promotion of Indigenous peoples' rights. The candidate directed a legal journal « Revue Internationale de droit des Peuples autochtones »

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2004-2008: Druais-Michel-Lahalle Avocats, Rennes, France
- 2000-2002 : Professor and Researcher, University François Rabelais Tours, France
- 1998-2001 : Director of publication and drafting of the « revue internationale de droit des peuples autochtones »
- 1997 : Researcher, Research Institute on Central Asia, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

The candidate is (...) consulted by Indigenous communities from all over the world (...)

The media (...) has talked about cases dealt with by the candidate

In 2006, The candidate was solicited by the International Commission of the Bar of Rennes, France to be in charge of the Sub-Commission on human rights of the bar. Recently he was solicited to take the chair of the bar delegation for a meeting organized by the Exeter Law Society on Terrorism and Individual Liberties

The candidate is solicited for conferences especially on Indigenous peoples' rights

In 2007 he organized a conference on the adoption of the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples at the request of the Customary Senate of New Caledonia

He was also requested to speak on the rights of Indigenous peoples in the French overseas territories (TOM) at the University of Ottawa

The candidate has several publications on human rights and environmental law

## Candidate Information : **CARDINAL, Eric**

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	CARDINAL	<b>First Name</b>	Eric	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate (...) has been teaching for 10 years the « Law of Indigenous peoples » at the University of Quebec in Montréal (UQAM), with a part on international law and the adoption process of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, the works of the Working Group on Indigenous Peoples and those of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate (...) assists different indigenous groups at the United Nations. He (...) cooperates to the activities of the Working Group on Indigenous Peoples and the Indigenous francophone coordination (CAF).  
He has participated for 5 years to sessions of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.  
He participated to the organization of the visit of the UN special rapporteur on adequate housing to Canada, in autumn 2007

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-In 2002-2003 the candidate (...) was Assistant to the Director for Indigenous affairs for the Ministry in charge of indigenous affairs of the government of Quebec

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Currently he works as :

- Expert/counselor for the Assembly of the First Nations Of Quebec and Labrador (APNQL)
- Expert/counselor for the First Nations Educational Council (CEPN)
- Expert/counselor for the First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Health and Social Services Commission(CSSSPNQL)

(...) As a consultant/expert on indigenous issues, the candidate works with the Assembly of the First Nations Of Quebec and Labrador (APNQL), and the communities members of the Innu Council of Nitassinan (CIN), which participate to the sessions of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and to the Human Rights Council's activities related to indigenous issues. The candidate coordinates the different delegation of the APNQL et du CIN aux instances de l'ONU.

The candidate is currently coordinating the research project « Indigenous peoples and governance », on wich 30 researchers are working in around 20 universities in Canada, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, France and Belgium

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1999-2008: University of Quebec, Montreal, Canada
- 2003-2008: Cardinal Communication, Kahnawake, Canada
- 2002-2003: Ministry for Indigenous Affairs, Quebec, Canada
- 2006-2011: University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

## Candidate Information : CARMEN, Andrea

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	CARMEN	<b>First Name</b>	Andrea	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	United States	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The Candidate has (...) experience working within international human rights bodies as a delegate over the past 20 years, and a (...) presenter and trainer in the field of human rights, instruments, norms, and principles.

She has attended a (...) UN human rights bodies, fora and conferences as a delegate, and in some cases, as a UN expert and Rapporteur, for more than 20 years. These include several sessions of the UN Human Rights Council (2006 - 2007) and its Institution Building processes, including the Workshop for the Development of the new Human Rights Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in December 2007 (as a participant invited by the OHCHR).

In addition the Candidate has produced over 30 publications, reports and research papers, and has coordinated the drafting for various Indigenous Peoples' Human Rights statements, interventions and Declarations

Additional publications currently in progress include:

"Making the Declaration Work: The Rights of Indigenous Peoples", a collective book on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples", Editors: Rodolfo Stavenhagen and Claire Charters (invited co-author)

"Indigenous Voices: The Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, invited contributor of an essay on Free Prior and Informed Consent".

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The Candidate has worked closely with a number of conventional and non-conventional mechanisms at the United Nations for more than 20 years. She has participated in the development of a number of submissions and cases as well as in standard setting activities addressing the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in both the United Nations and the Organization of American States.

For example, she coordinated site visits in the United States and Guatemala for the UN Special Rapporteurs on Treaties, Agreements and Constructive Arrangements between States Indigenous Peoples, the Elimination of Discrimination based on Religion or belief and UN Rapporteur on the Adverse Effects of the Illicit Movement and Dumping of Toxic and Dangerous Products and Wastes on the Enjoyment of Human Rights; coordinated the submission of testimonies by Indigenous Peoples to these Rapporteurs as well as the Rapporteurs on Indigenous Issues and on the Right to Food as well as the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the UN Commission on Human Rights from the US, Canada, Mexico, Guatemala, Brazil, Ecuador and number of other countries.

She was one of the two Indigenous representatives selected to address the UN General Assembly Special Session "Earth Summit +5" (June 1997). She was also the only Indigenous Woman to served as the Rapporteur for an UN Expert Seminar Expert Seminar ("Indigenous Peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources and their relationship to land", (Geneva, January 2006).

The Candidate is a (...) trainer and mentor for Indigenous communities and organizations as well as for non-Indigenous NGO's regarding the functions of the United Nations, its structure, institutional mandates and ways to effectively utilize UN Mechanims and bodies, including various mandate holders, to advance the recognition and impelementation of Human Rights for Indigenous and all Peoples.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The Candidate's additional relevant experience in the field of human rights includes:

-Founding member of the Indigenous Initiative for Peace with Nobel Laureate Rigoberta Menchu, participated in 3 human rights observer delegations in that capacity (Chiapas, Mexico; Quito, Ecuador and Quebec, Canada).

-In addition has served as a human rights observer in various situations in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii and New Zealand.

-North America Region Indigenous Caucus co-coordinator 2006- present).

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-Keynote Presenter for the Presidential Commission Against Racism and Racial Discrimination Conference for Indigenous organizations and NGO's on rights of Indigenous Peoples, international standard setting and impacts of mining (Guatemala City, February 2005).  
-Member of the Global Indigenous Peoples' Steering Committee coordinating work for the adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, (2006 -2007).  
-IITC's team leader for work on the UN Declaration for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, (1994-present). The candidate has been selected to serve as a United Nations Expert in the following bodies and fora:  
-Keynote Presenter for the Presidential Commission Against Racism and Racial Discrimination Conference for Indigenous organizations and NGO's on rights of Indigenous Peoples, international standard setting and impacts of mining (Guatemala City, February 2005).  
-Member of the Global Indigenous Peoples' Steering Committee coordinating work for the adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2006 - 2007.  
-IITC's team leader for work on the UN Declaration for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, (1994-present.)

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1992 present: Executive Director at the International Indian Treaty Council (IITC), an organization of Indigenous Peoples from North, Central, South America and the Pacific working for the Sovereignty and Self Determination of Indigenous Peoples and the recognition and protection of Indigenous Rights, Treaties, Traditional Cultures and Sacred Lands. In 1977, the IITC became the first Indigenous organization to be recognized as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with Consultative Status to the United Nations Economic and Social Council; Based in the United States, with a range of activities and programs in the field of human rights and Indigenous Peoples in a number of countries, including the US, Canada, Mexico, Guatemala, Ecuador, Nicaragua, New Zealand, Panama and others. IITC actively participates in a range of key international bodies and fora to uphold human rights and to advance the development and implementation of international standards and mechanisms recognizing and protecting the rights of Indigenous Peoples (23 years as a staff member, 14 years as Executive Director)  
-1983- 1992: Staff member and international representative of the IITC, the first Indigenous NGO with Consultative Status to the UN Economic and Social Council  
-1990- 1991: Instructor, University of Alaska, "Traditional Oral History and Indigenous Knowledge"  
-1988- 1989: Founding Co-Coordinator, Chickaloon Village Tribal Environmental Program; Alaska, USA  
-1981- 1983: Educational Coordinator, Real Alternative Youth Program; San Francisco, California, USA  
-1980-1981: Counsellor and Case Manager for at-Risk Youth and families, Partners Inc.; San Carlos, California, USA  
-1978- 1980: Youth Employment Coordinator and Case Manager, Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA); Washington DC, USA  
-1976- 1978: Evaluation Specialist, Researcher and Trainer, Women's Alliance; San Jose, California, USA

The candidate is a member of a number of Boards, Advisory Councils, Steering Committees and Consultation assignments in the field of Human Rights, including serving as a Human Rights observer in crisis situations in Mexico, the USA, Guatemala, New Zealand and Canada; US, Mexico, Canada, Guatemala, New Zealand, Ecuador and elsewhere (20 years)

The Candidate is recognized (...) among Indigenous Peoples, UN agencies and officials and representatives of UN member states in the field of Indigenous Human Rights.

The Candidate has served as a United Nations Expert at the following UN Sessions:

-Expert, Presenter and Rapporteur for the UN "Expert Seminar on Indigenous Peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources and their relationship to land". This was the first time that an Indigenous woman served as Rapporteur for an UN Expert Seminar (Geneva, January 2006).  
-Expert for the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Expert Workshop on "Indicators of Well Being" and the Millennium Development Goals Seminar (Ottawa, Canada, March 2006).  
-Expert participant and presenter in the 2nd UN expert Seminars addressing the UN Treaty Study (Alberta, Canada, November 2006).  
-Expert and plenary presenter, International expert seminar on Indicators relevant for indigenous and local communities and the Convention on Biological Diversity (Banaue, Philippines, March 2007).  
-Expert Seminar on the UN Draft Declaration for the Rights Of Indigenous Peoples; sponsored by Government of Mexico and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights for "invited experts" (Pazcauro Mexico, September 2005).

The candidate is a member of over 10 boards, committees and advisory councils related to indigenous peoples.

The candidate has given lectures and presentations in many universities as well as workshops organized by Indigenous peoples and non-governmental organizations.

## Candidate Information : CARNEIRO DA CUNHA, Maria

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	CARNEIRO DA CUNHA	<b>First Name</b>	Maria	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Portugal	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate is knowledgeable in international human rights, having worked as an academic anthropologist and an activist in indigenous and traditional peoples issues with both international and Inter-American instruments.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Several UN bodies with specific mandates of their own contribute to the protection of human rights.

The candidate has made contributions to ILO and UNESCO instruments. (...)She has also been (...) defending the UN (Draft at the time) Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples ultimately adopted in 2007.

The candidate has been involved in a number of lectures regarding human rights:

1988: Keynote address to the UNESCO symposium 'Minorities an the role of anthropologists', São Paulo

1999: Panel leader at the Unesco-Smithsonian Institution on the Protection of Traditional Cultures. Washington, June 27-30,1999.

2001: "The Role of Unesco in the Defense of Traditional Knowledge" in Peter Seitel ed. Safeguarding Traditional Cultures: A global assessment. Unesco and Smithsonian Institution: 143-148.

2001: One of the two position papers at the UNESCO International Round table on 'Intangible Cultural Heritage: Working Definitions', held in Grinzane Cavour, Piedmont, Italy, from 14 to 17 March 2001. Drafted with Peter Seitel the Working Definition and most of the recommendations that were accepted and would be submitted to the Executive Board of UNESCO.

2002: "Convenção 169 da Organização Internacional do Trabalho", Folha de São Paulo, seção Tendências e Debates, 5 dez.2002.

2007: Commissioned to contribute with a working keynote paper to UNESCO on the theme :The Future of Cultural Diversity"

As regards other UN bodies in general, she has contributed since 1994 to the present to the debate surrounding access to traditional knowledge and benefit-sharing both in Brazil and at Convention for Biological Diversity meetings.

Since its inception in 1992, the UN Convention for Biological Diversity has become a growingly powerful instrument for the defence of indigenous intellectual and land rights. Manuela C da Cunha has attended and contributed to several meetings organized by the Convention for Biological Diversity (CBD), its advisory bodies and by UNCTAD. She attended in particular the first and second meetings hosted in Spain on indigenous intellectual rights and the CBD (Madrid and Seville). In 2006, Manuela C da Cunha oficialmente representada the Brazilian Society for the Advancement of Science at CBD's COP8 and its preparatory meetings on article 8j (on indigenous knowledge) and benefit-sharing.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Professor at the University of Campinas (1973-1984) and the University of Sao Paulo (1984-1994) and Professor at the University of Chicago since 1994.

In connection with her involvement with the issue of traditional knowledge and indigenous intellectual rights, since 1992, she has conducted research in the Amazon and lectured on the subject at the University of Chicago, Seville, and numerous Universities in Brazil.

The candidate co-founded in 1979 an NGO, Comissao Pro-Indio, of which she served as the first president. This NGO focused on violation of indigenous rights, with special attention to the impact of development projects, issues of cultural rights, civil and political rights, enforcement of legal provisions, and was an outcome of the candidate's involvement in a countrywide protest against the attempted governmental erosion of indigenous land rights. This was the first NGO in Brazil to probe the judiciary with indigenous issues. It relied for expertise on a consortium of lawyers and anthropologists.

The candidate started editing a legal bulletin and (...) had students do research on those topics. As a result, she published a book in 1987 on the history of Brazilian Law on indigenous people in preparation for the re-democratization of Brazil and the new Constitution. As the then president of the Brazilian Anthropological Association, she took (...)part in the task force for indigenous rights



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that helped secure new expanded constitutional rights for indigenous peoples in Brazil. (...)She published in the press and was present in Congress.

She created in 1986 a Center for the Study of Indigenous History in Brazil at the University of Sao Paulo, aimed at producing data sources guides and research conducive to the recognition of indigenous land rights in Brazil. In the same vein, she also edited in 1992 an (...) history of Indigenous People in Brazil. Five source guides and six studies were published by the Center during her tenure.

She co-founded the Human Rights Program at the University of Chicago in 1997 and was co-chair of its Board (2001-2003)

She has published on the issue of possible conflicts between indigenous customary law and international human rights:

1992: "Custom is not a Thing it is a Path. Customary Rights and International Standards. An anthropologist's point of view" in A.An N'aim ed. Human Rights in Cross-Cultural Perspectives. Pennsylvania University press.

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

Commission Pro-Indio (volunteer while teaching at University of Campinas); São Paulo, BRAZIL (11 years)

University of São Paulo; São Paulo, Brazil (11 years)

University of Chicago; Chicago, USA (14 years)

1994-Present: Professor, Dept of Anthropology and the College, University of Chicago; Chicago, USA

1992- 1994: Professor, University of São Paulo; São Paulo, Brazil

1988 to 1994: Director of the Indian History Center, University of São Paulo; São Paulo, Brazil

1991-1993: Head of the department of Anthropology, University of São Paulo; São Paulo, Brazil

1984-1992: 'Professor livre-docente' of Social Anthropology, University of São Paulo; São Paulo, Brazil

1983-84: Head of the Department of Anthropology, University of Campinas.

1975-84: Associate Professor of Social Anthropology, University of Campinas.

1972-75: Assistant Professor in Social Anthropology, University of Campinas.

The candidate is known both nationally and internationally on issues of indigenous and traditional people rights. She has lectured and published in different countries on those topics, has participated in relevant international and Brazilian meetings and has been called to advise international bodies. She became known for her tenure as president of the Brazilian Anthropological Association, when she took a role in securing indigenous constitutional rights.

She received the "medaille de vermeil" of the French Academy, the Brazilian Scientific Medal of Honor, was President of the Brazilian Anthropological Association 1986-1988 and is a member of the Brazilian Academy of Sciences.

The candidate is a member of approximately 10 (non) governmental organizations, committees and associations in the field of human rights.

The candidate has given over 40 lectures in various places such as universities and symposiums. She also has experience as an editor of 8 publications, and has over 100 publications including articles and books.

Since 2002 the candidate has taken part in 14 interviews.

The candidate was a visiting professor at the Doctorate on Human Rights, Univ. Pablo de Olavide, Seville.

## Candidate Information : CASTELLINO, Joshua

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	CASTELLINO	<b>First Name</b>	Joshua	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	India	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Teaching International Human Rights Law at undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral level since September 1998; Involved in human rights training programme hosted under the auspices of the Arab Lawyers Union (organised by the Law Society of England & Wales); the EU-China Experts Network (organised by the Irish Centre for Human Rights); Actively researching on issues concerning minority rights, indigenous peoples and international law with three monographs and one edited collection, besides a host of academic papers and NGO sessions. Also founder and director of Annual Summer School on Minorities & Indigenous Peoples. Occasional contributor as a journalist on human rights instruments, norms and principles.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Currently engaged in teaching on institutional mandates and regional systems. Currently completing a research project on Minority Rights & Indigenous Peoples from a comparative constitutional perspective but also mindful of the regional and institutional settings and interactions. Has assisted NGOs in preparing shadow reports and other submissions to UN treaty based and charter based bodies.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Instigator and designer of Short Courses to be offered by the Law Department covering human rights and leading to a Diploma in Legal Studies

Director, Doctoral Studies Programme (2006) PhD in Human Rights Law [responsibility for design of courses, admissions, structure of study, supervision, liaison, examination]

Thematic Leader, Theme 5, Human Rights & Security (2005) European Masters Degree in Human Rights & Democratization, European Inter-University Centre, Venezia, Italy [overall responsibility for content, personnel and curriculum over five weeks.]. Served in different capacities on European Masters in Human Rights & Democratization (2000-2004)

Academic Director (2000-2004) LLM in International Human Rights Law, Irish Centre for Human Rights, NUI Galway [Responsibilities: design of degree, recruitment, selection, academic programme, new courses]

Co-ordinator, [www.minority-rights.org](http://www.minority-rights.org) website co-managed with the United World College of the Atlantic, Wales UK that seeks to provide a directory of minority rights law outside Europe.

Academic Co-ordinator (1999-2000), BA Human Rights, School of Legal Studies, University of Wolverhampton [Responsibilities: BA programme design]

Supervision of Completed Doctorates:

- Gilbert 'Indigenous Peoples & Land Rights' [09/2001 – 09/2004]

Examination Panel: Prof. Patrick Thornberry (external); Prof. William Schabas (Chair); Dr. Vinodh Jaichand (internal examiner)

- Keane 'Equality: Caste based Discrimination' [09/2002 – 09/2005]

Examination Panel: Prof. Patrick Thornberry (external); Prof. William Schabas (internal examiner)

Current Supervisor of Doctoral Research: 'Indigenous Peoples: Prior & Informed Consent' [01/2007 onwards]; 'Religion and Human Rights' [10/2006 onwards]; 'Role of the OHCNM' [09/2006 onwards]; 'The Right to Food & Human Rights Law' [09/2005 onwards] 'Minority Rights & Inclusion' [09/2004 onwards]; 'Women's Rights & Islam' [09/2004 onwards]; Germanokou 'The Right of Self-determination' [01/2004 onwards]; 'Corruption and Governance' [09/2008]

Involved in human rights training programmes throughout the Middle East under the auspices of the Arab Lawyers Union; in China sponsored by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences; in India under the auspices of the Human Rights Law Network; in Mexico, sponsored by the Universidad Iberoamericana and in Europe for different NGOs and charity organisations and in Central Asia organised under the auspices of British Foreign & Commonwealth Office. Founder of the Summer School on Minority & Indigenous Peoples Rights which consists of a week-long discussion, before a varied audience, of the normative, practical and strategic issues underpinning the amelioration of the rights of indigenous peoples and minorities in various parts of the globe (2001 to date).

### Professional experience

## **Candidate Information : CASTELLINO, Joshua**

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate was awarded Chair in Law (Professorship) on basis of Publications in International & Human Rights Law.

He was involved in numerous workshops and reports including international conventions and covenants.

The candidate has membership to learned Organisations: American Society of International Law, Ordinary Member; British Institute for International & Comparative Law; Human Development & Capability Association; Commonwealth Lawyers Association; Legal Unit, Irish Traveller Movement

He has funded various research projects.

The candidate has over 45 publications, including books, journal articles, papers and entries in reference works.

## Candidate Information : CHUMPI, Marcelino

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	CHUMPI	<b>First Name</b>	Marcelino	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Ecuador	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the human rights instruments, norms and principles dealing with Indigenous people (ILO convention 169, UN declaration in the rights of Indigenous people) and also of regional instruments (proposed American Declaration on the rights of Indigenous peoples)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of the regional inter-American system for human rights, and the international system, especially the UN bodies and instruments dealing with indigenous issues, the Human Rights Council, the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and the International Labour Organisation's work on Indigenous Peoples

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Member of the Confederation of Indigenous Nationalities of the Ecuadorian Amazonia, CONFENIAE; of the Confederation of indigenous nationalities of Ecuador, CONAIE, defending lands natural resources and biodiversity of the territories, Organized workshops to raise awareness within Ecuadorian society, helped the creation of the Latin American Fund for development of Indigenous peoples, in la Paz, Bolivia; Creation of the PROCITROPICOS project, on water and woods, fought for the entry into force of the part of the covenant on biological diversity concerning indigenous land. Works for the inclusion of Indigenous fundamental rights in the universal declaration of human rights of the UN and for the recognition of the Ecuadorian state as a pluri-national state, in recognition of the indigenous territorial circumscriptions and indigenous traditional justice

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1997-1998: Constituent assembly, Quito, Ecuador  
-2001-2004: Council for the development of nationalities and peoples of Ecuador – CODENPE, Quito, Ecuador  
-2003: Centre for economic and social rights, Quito, Ecuador  
-2005: Ecuadorian Foundation for ecological studies, Quito, Ecuador  
-2005- 2008: Institute for the regional eco-development in Amazonia, Quito, Ecuador  
The system of organisations of Indigenous nationalities and peoples, to which the candidate is a member, is recognized by the Confederation of Indigenous nationalities of Ecuador (CONAIE) and by other organizations such as: ECUARUNARI, CONFENIAE, and CONAICE. The candidate worked in collaboration with: Fundación Natura, ECOCIENCA, Centre for Economic and Social Rights, ALDHU, The Human Rights Commission, The Ecumenical committee for Human Rights. At the regional level the candidate has participated in the UN forum son indigenous issues, promoting and pointing at problems that Indigenous peoples face, the Latin American Indigenous Fund of the OAS; UNDP, ILO, the Amazonian Cooperation treaty. He also participated in indigenous events organised by national or regional organisations like AIDSESEP, CONIVE, ONIC, CIDOB, and also in the formation of museums by the Indian American museum

## Candidate Information : COJTI CUXIL, Demetrio

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	COJTI CUXIL	<b>First Name</b>	Demetrio	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Guatemala	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has (...) knowledge of international human rights instruments related to Indigenous peoples and signed or ratified by the State of Guatemala (the 169 ILO convention, the two covenants, ICCPR and ICESCR, CERD convention etc.) as the fight for Indigenous peoples' rights requires knowledge of these instruments

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate was a consultant for various international institutions like UNICEF, UNESCO, OHCHR and the action frameworks of the UN such as international days, years and decades of Indigenous peoples  
The candidate (...) worked for the Organization of American States on a Project in Guatemala, to strengthen political parties and political representation of Indigenous peoples  
The candidate has knowledge of UN decisions and actions on Indigenous issues (Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues etc.)

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate (...) elaborated proposals and demands of Indigenous peoples to the government of Guatemala, therefore he needed to know and be able to apply the appropriate norms and legislation to defend Indigenous peoples' rights.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2005-2007: Consultant in charge of the Indigenous Peoples and Political Parties programme, "Programa de Valores Democráticos de Organización de Estados Americanos" Organization of American States, Guatemala.  
-2000-2004: Vice Minister for Education, Guatemala  
-1991-2000: Education Program Officer, UNICEF, Guatemala  
-1983-1990: University Professor and Researcher, Cuidad de Guatemala, Guatemala  
He is an (...) indigenous expert recognized by Indigenous peoples from Guatemala and some international organizations in Guatemala and abroad because of the studies and proposals he has elaborated.  
The candidate suggests that an internet search with the name of the candidate "Demetrio Cojti" will provide an idea of his recognition at the academic and political levels in the field of indigenous issues

## Candidate Information : DAES, Erica

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	DAES	<b>First Name</b>	Erica	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Greece				<b>Indigenous Origin</b>

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

knowledge of International Bill of Human Rights, other International and Regional Instruments, in particular related to Indigenous peoples, Minorities, Environment and Development

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Member, Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, Rapporteur, Special Rapporteur of the former Sub-Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights for more than 30 years in total. Member of a number of Drafting Groups elaborated important UN instruments in the field of human rights

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- 1976 - April 2002: Independent Expert-member of the United Nations Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights
- 1980 - 2004: Special Rapporteur of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights
- Chairperson (1985 and 1986), Vice-Chairperson (2000 to August 2001) and Rapporteur (1978) of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights.
- 1984 - April 2002: Chairperson and Rapporteur of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations
- 1987 – 1993: Principal Drafter of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Special Rapporteur of the UN Sub-Commission on the Protection of the Human Rights Defenders
- Member of the Advisory Group of the Voluntary Fund on the Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples. (1999-2002)
- 1986- 1991: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and member of the Joint Inspection Unit of the United Nations System,
- 1980-1985: Visiting Professor of the European University Institute (Florence, Italy)
- 1998: Extraordinary Envoy of Greece at ambassadorial level to a number of States, including the Federated States of Micronesia
- Fall 1999 up to 2003: Visiting Professor of the St. Thomas University - School of Law (Miami, Florida)
- 1999: Vice-Chairperson to the Fifth Committee of the 54th session of the U.N. General Assembly
- Representative of Greece to the Fifth Committee of the 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57,58,and 59th sessions of the U.N. General Assembly;
- Representative of Greece to the Conferences on Human Dimension of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe : a) in Copenhagen 1990 and b) in Moscow 1991 ;
- 1992: Expert of the Greek Delegation to the Technical Meeting on Minorities , of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, Geneva
- 1998: Organizer and lecturer, in collaboration with the former Director General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, Ambassador I. Martenson , of the Training Courses on Administration of Justice , Moscow
- Participant in the Working Group of the UN Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, considering matters related to the Administration of Justice, sessions 1999 to 2001;-
- Founding member of the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Participant and author on a number of proposals and recommendations presented at the ad hoc workshops organized in Copenhagen, and Santiago de Chile;
- Representative of Greece to the Third, Fourth, Fifth Committees of the 21st session of the

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United Nations General Assembly and then to 30th up to 61 sessions of the UN GA.

- Representative of Greece to the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth sessions of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues;

- Representative of Greece to a number of sessions of the General Conference of UNESCO;

- 2005: Representative of Greece to the 59th session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), New York

- Member of the Greek Delegation to the first, second, and seventh sessions of the Human Rights Council (Geneva);

## Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

Independent Expert-member of the United Nations Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, 1976 - April 2002.

Special Rapporteur of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, 1980 - 2004

Chairperson (1985 and 1986), Vice-Chairperson (2000 to August 2001) and Rapporteur (1978) of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights.

Chairperson and Rapporteur of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations since 1984 to April 2002 ;

Principal Drafter of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 1987 - 1993;

Special Rapporteur of the UN Sub-Commission on the Protection of the Human Rights Defenders.

The candidate is an expert on Indigenous issues. Her competence is recognized by Indigenous organisations such as the ones submitting her candidature. She published many studies on indigenous peoples issues, She is an Honorary Life Member of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations

Awards:

Decoration of the President of the Hellenic Republic by the "Great Commander of the Order of Phoenix".

Doctorate honoris causa from School of Law, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Doctorate honoris causa, from School of Law and Philosophy, Tromsø, Norway

United Nations Human Rights Award (1993)

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	DETERVILLE	<b>First Name</b>	Albert	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Saint Lucia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate began using international human rights instruments in earnest, during the establishment of the Saint Lucia National Cultural Council in 1981 as a means of providing protection for the economic, social and cultural rights of the Indigenous People (Bethchilokono) of Saint Lucia and local communities.

In 1985 the candidate organized Group for the Advancement of Communication in Saint Lucia as a affiliate to the Group for the Advancement of Communication in the Americas. Group for the Advancement of Communication in the Americas, located in the United States of America, was an Association of Professors, Lecturers and Practitioners. The candidate also served as the Caribbean Focal Point for Group for the Advancement of Communication in the Americas.

In 1990 the candidate established THE ALDET CENTRE-SAINT LUCIA as a Human Rights Organization to perform two indispensable functions:  
(a) Information gathering, evaluation and dissemination; and (b) keeping the decision-making process open. Since then, THE ALDET CENTRE-SAINT LUCIA has engage in Human Rights advocacy, education, protection and reporting; facilitated democratic development through access to, and monitoring of State Organizations and Parliament, and public consultations, in print, and through Radio and Television Programmes.

In 1991 the candidate was approached by Caribbean Rights to help establish Saint Lucia Rights in Saint Lucia. Participated at several Working Sessions organized by Caribbean Rights on the core Human Rights Instruments; inter alia:  
The Universal Declaration of Human Rights; The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; The Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; The Second Option Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty; The International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination; The Convention on the elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women; The Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; The Convent on the Rights of the Child; The Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families and The International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid.  
The candidate served as National Coordinator of Saint Lucia Rights from 1992-1997.

In 1999 the candidate was selected by the Government of Saint Lucia to participate at an Office of the United Nations Human Commissioner for Human Rights and the International Training Centre/International Labour Organization sponsored Certificate in Human Rights Reporting: National Capacity Strengthening in Trinidad & Tobago. The candidate received training on the core Human Rights Instruments from The Training Guide on Human Rights Reporting/OHCHR and The Human Rights Reporting: National Capacity Strengthening Exercise/International Labour Organization.  
The candidate has produced National Reports and completed numerous questionnaires to the Treaty Bodies, since 2000.

The candidate collaborated with the Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis, United States of America in 2001 by supervising the Research Work of two students (one for the Master's Degree and the other for the Bachelor's Degree in International Human Rights Law). The candidate now functions with, and contributes to several United Nations Agencies, in particular the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Issues, the Treaty Bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Rapportseioner for Human Rights and the Special Rapporteurs and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; among others. Receives regular reports and maintains contact through their websites.

The candidate is also knowledgeable of the Inter-American Human Rights System, the European Human Rights System; the African Human Rights System; the Caribbean Community Human Rights System and as well as their Complaint Procedures. Receives regular reports and maintains contact through their websites.

The candidate collaborates with other Regional and International Human Rights Institutions

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights



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The candidate is familiar with and has professional knowledge of the work of:  
The United Nations Human Rights Council and the Human Rights Committee.  
The candidate consults with the United Nations Websites for activities of the United Nations Human Rights Council and its subsidiaries.

The candidate is familiar with, and interacts with:

(i) The Treaty Bodies; and periodically provides information and completes questionnaires to the Treaty Bodies, in particular regarding issues relating to the relationship between the State of Saint Lucia and the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, and on behalf of regional and international Affiliate Indigenous Peoples' Organizations.

The candidate is on the mailing lists of the Treaty Bodies; is knowledgeable of the Complaint Procedures; the Working Groups and Special Procedures; and follows the activities of the Special Rapporteurs.

(ii) The Inter American Commission on Human Rights

The candidate collaborates with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights with regard to issues relating to the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia and the Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus & The Diaspora.

The candidate is on the mailing lists of the Secretariats of the Summits of the Americas Secretariat and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

The candidate is knowledgeable in the Complaint Procedures and have used it on several occasions in presenting cases.

(iii) The Council of Europe

The candidate receives regular information from the Council of Europe.

The candidate is knowledgeable in the Complaint Procedures.

(iv) The Commonwealth Rights Initiative

The candidate collaborates with the Commonwealth Rights Initiative on behalf of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, the Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus & The Diaspora and the Alliance of Small Island States and territories Indigenous Peoples Caucus and through the Commonwealth Association of Indigenous Peoples.

The candidate is on the mailing list of the Commonwealth Council and the Commonwealth Rights Initiative.

(v) The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights

The candidate receives regular information from the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights.

(vi) The Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas

Charter of Civil Society for the Caribbean Community

The candidate collaborates with the Caribbean Community/CARICOM as a Member of the Latin America and the Caribbean Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing; Indigenous Peoples' Expert on Environmental issues and Member of the Task Force/Working Group on a Caribbean Framework for the Protection of Traditional Knowledge, Folklore/Traditional Cultural Expressions and Genetic Resources.

(vii) The Association of Caribbean States

The candidate work with the Association of Caribbean States through the CARICOM.

(viii) The candidate collaborates with a number of Human Rights Institutions, as indicated below.

### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Some features of the candidate's experience in the field of Human Rights Defender, Auditor and Reporter since 1979.

(i) Has been promoting the economic, social and cultural rights of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia since 1979. Began a process of documentation, protection, preservation and utilization of the Traditional Knowledge, Traditional Cultural Expressions and Folklore of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokon) of Saint Lucia and local communities.

(ii) Successfully defended the rights of a minor belong to a Minority Religion against expulsion from school due religious belief. The case was brought before the Minister of Education in 1980.

(iii) Organized the National Cultural Council in 1983 as a vehicle for the preservation and promotion of the Traditional Knowledge, Traditional Cultural Expressions and Folklore of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokon) of Saint Lucia and local communities.

(iv) Presented Radio and Television programmes on Indigenous Issues from 1979-1986.

(v) Executes research in the Kwéyòl Language (Indigenous Language) from 1985.

(vi) Mobilized the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia in 1990 for registration in the 1991 National Population Census of Saint Lucia. The State of Saint Lucia for the first time recognized the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, as the First People.

(vii) Operated an Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Radio Station from 1990-1995 which provided 8 hours daily of Kwéyòl Language Broadcast throughout Saint Lucia, Martinique and Saint Vincent & The Grenadines and weekly Radio Linkups with French Guyana and Haiti.

(viii) Began monitoring the conduct of the Parliament of Saint Lucia since 1990.

(ix) Provide Kwéyòl interpretation for Live Radio Broadcast of the meetings of the Parliament of Saint Lucia from 1990-1995.

(x) Engaged in Election Monitoring from 1990 to the present.

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- (xi) Defended the rights of Migrant Workers and Aliens in Saint Lucia against abuse from 1996-1999.
- (xii) In 1996, was able to secure the release of an Alien who was illegally detained at the Prisons by the State of Saint Lucia for a period of three years. Matter was presented to the Judge. Immediately following, a request was made to the State to offer the victim "Refugee Status". The State complied. The individual is now a Citizen of Saint Lucia.
- (xiii) Protected the rights of Inmates at the Prisons in Saint Lucia from 1996-2000. In 1997 mounted a successful defense of five Lawyers in an appeal against a Warrant for the execution of a condemned person. The death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. During the same period, mobilized public support for the commutation of the death sentences of five other condemned persons. The death sentences were commuted to life imprisonment by the Cabinet of Ministers of the Government of Saint Lucia.
- (xiv) Participated at the World Conference Against Racism process from 2000-2001. Appointed to represent Indigenous Peoples on the International Steering Committee for the NGO Forum for the World Conference Against Racism. Was the coordinator of the International Steering Committee during its operation in 2001. Was responsible for voting the NGO Draft Declaration. Represented the International Steering Committee for the NGO Forum for the World Conference Against Racism at the World Conference Against Racism in Durban, South Africa. Promotes the implementation of the World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and related Intolerance Declaration and Programme of Action. Participates in the the Intergovernmental Working Group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and the Preparatory Committee for the Durban Review Conference.
- (xv) Mobilized the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia in 2000 for registration in the 2001 National Population Census of Saint Lucia. Contributed to the formatting of the National Population Census Questionnaire.
- (xvi) Represented the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles at the International Conference on Indigenous Languages held in Oklahoma City in 2002.
- (xvii) Has been an Observer on the Ad Hoc Working Groups on Access and Benefiting-sharing and Article 8(j) under the Convention on Biological Diversity since 2003.
- (xviii) Has been a Member of the Organization of American States Working Group on the Draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples since 2003.
- (xix) Has actively participated in the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues since 2002.
- (xx) Has been contributing to the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations since 2002.
- (xxi) Has been contributing on Indigenous Issues to the Commission on Sustainable Development, the United Nations Development Programme and the UNICEF since 2000.
- (xxii) Has been an Observer of World Intellectual Property Organization Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore since 2004.
- (xxiii) Participated at the United Nations Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in 2006.
- (xxiv) Has presented Reports to a number of the Treaty Bodies.
- (xxv) Participates and contributes to the United Nations process on International Migration and Development since 2006.

The candidate is competent in the interpretation of a number of international legal instruments and uses them frequently in the execution of his responsibilities.

### Publications by the candidate:

- (i) Several Newspaper Features from 1977 to the present.
- (ii) TimTim a cultural magazine published in 1983.
- (iii) Facts News and Current Affairs Magazine published from 1985-1988.
- (iv) Code Switching (English to Kwéyòl) by Radio Communicators in Dominica and Saint Lucia in 1992. Research presented to the Université des Antilles et de la Guyane.
- (v) Traditional Medicine in Saint Lucia-Beliefs, Practices and Contributions to Health Services in 1993. Research presented to the Université des Antilles et de la Guyane.
- (vi) Presented positions to the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on the sub-themes from 2002. Published in the Reports of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, under the names of: THE ALDET CENTRE-SAINT LUCIA, The International Alliance Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia And Related Intolerance (IAAR); International Indigenous Peoples Think Tank (IIPTT); Saint Lucia Human Rights Commission (SLCHR); Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (BGC); Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus & The Diaspora (CAIPCD) and the Small Island Developing States 2005 Mauritius Initiative (SIDS2005MI).
- (vii) Presented several Reports to: UNDP; Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; Secretariat of the Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations; NGO Office in New York; Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity; UNEP; WIPO IGC/GRTRF; among others.
- (viii) History of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia in 2004.
- (ix) Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Sacred and Cultural Sites in 2002.

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

2002-present: Saint Lucia Commission on Human Rights Saint Lucia

2001-present: International Alliance Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia And

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Related Intolerance International/During the World Conference Against Racism process and post-Conference

1990-present: The Aldet Centre Saint Lucia, Saint Lucia

1999-present: Caribbean Organization of Human Rights Defenders, Auditors and Reporters Caribbean Antilles

The candidate belongs to the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia.

Principal Leader of:

Self-governing Administrative Mechanism of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (BGC). Chief Negotiator in negotiations with the Government of Saint Lucia on issues relating to the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, inclusive of the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; ILO Convention 169 and other Recommendations and Decisions of the Treaty Bodies, The United Nations Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Issues and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

The candidate is an Anthropologist, Communications Consultant, Cultural Administrator, Environmentalist, Expert on Indigenous Issues, Expert on Small Island Developing States, Human Rights Defender/Reporter and Socio-linguist.

Executive Chairperson of:

THE ALDET CENTRE-SAINT LUCIA (An Indigenous Peoples' Human Rights NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations) (Having National, Regional and International mandates).

Secretariat of:

(i) The Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus & The Diaspora (CAIPCD) (Regional and International).

(ii) The Alliance of Small Island Developing States and Territories Indigenous Peoples Caucus (AOSIS-IPC) (International).

(iii) The Caribbean Organization of Human Rights Defenders, Auditors and Reporters (COHRDAR) (National and Regional).

(iv) The Saint Lucia Commission On Human Rights (SLCHR) (National)

(v) The Saint Lucia Consumers Association from 1997-2003.

The candidate:

(i) Moderated the Live Radio and Television Broadcasts and was Spokesperson for the NGO Forum for the United Nations World Conference Against Racism in Durban South Africa in 2001.

(ii) Represented the NGO Forum for the United Nations World Conference Against Racism on an International Television Panel of Representatives of States, UNESCO and the NGO Forum on the South African Broadcasting Corporation Live Television Broadcast on the eve of the United Nations Conference Against Racism in Durban South Africa in 2001.

(iii) Represents the International Alliance Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia And Related Intolerance (IAAR). An International Organization formed as a follow-up to the World Conference Against Racism in 2001 to implement the recommendations of the Declaration and Programme of Action of the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia And Related Intolerance.

(iv) Represents the International Centre for Multicultural Studies and Policy Development (ICMMSPD). An International Organization formed as a follow-up to the United Nations World Conference Against Racism in 2001 to implement specific recommendations of the Declaration and Programme of Action of the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia And Related Intolerance.

(v) Represents the International Indigenous Peoples Think Tank from 2002.

(vi) Represents the Small Island Developing States 2005 Mauritius Initiative (SIDS 2005 Mauritius Initiative) Formed in 2005 to articulate the positions of Indigenous Peoples of the SIDS at fora of the Commission on Sustainable Development.

(vii) Coordinates the Working Group on the OAS Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from November 2005.

Head-of-Delegation to:

(i) The United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from 2003.

(ii) The Convention on Biological Diversity from 2003.

(iii) The Organization of American States Working Group on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples from 2003.

(iv) The Summits of the Americas/Organization of American States from 2003.

(v) The United Nations Development Programme/Equator Initiative from 2004.

(vi) The Commission on Sustainable Development from 2004.

(vii) The United Nations Forum on Forests from 2005.

(viii) The WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore from 2006.

(ix) The United Nations Environment Programme from 2006.

(x) The Global Environment Facility from 2007.

Director of :

(i) Indigenous World Association from 2003.

(ii) World Indigenous Nations Sports (WIN Sports) from 2005.

Focal Point for:

(i) Caribbean Antilles/CARICOM Indigenous Peoples' to the Convention on Biological Diversity

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from 2005.

(ii) Caribbean Antilles/CARICOM Indigenous Peoples' to the Commonwealth Association of Indigenous Peoples (CAIP) from 2005.

(iii) Caribbean Antilles/CARICOM Indigenous Peoples' to the Colition of the International Criminal Court (CICC) from 2005.

(iv) Latin America and the Caribbean Indigenous Peoples' to the United Nations Environment Programme from 2007.

Member of:

(i) The Boad of Directors of the Saint Lucia Standards Council from 1998-2002.

(ii) The Indigenous Peoples Steering Committee for the Second Indigenous Peoples Summit of the Americas in 2005.

(iii) The Group of Latin America and the Caribbean Countries Working Group on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing and the Participation of the Region in the Negotiations of an International Regime in 2008.

(iv) The Caribbean Common Market Secretariat (CARICOM Secretariat) at the Latin America and the Caribbean at the Meeting of Experts and Ministerial Segment of the Sixteenth meeting of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic from January 27th to 01 February 2008. Advised the CARICOM Team on issues relating to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

(v) The WIPO/CARICOM Task Force/Working Group on the Caribbean Framework for the Protection of traditional Knowledge, Folklore/Traditional Cultural Expressions and Genetic Resources from March 2008.

Nominated to:

The United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in 2004 and 2007.

Spokesperson and Expert for:

(i) Indigenous Peoples at the Informal Interactive Hearings of the United Nations General Assembly with representatives of Non-Governmental Organizations, Civil Society Organizations and the private sector on International Migration and Development at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on July 12th 2006.

(ii) Indigenous Peoples at the United Nations High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 14th -15th September 2006.

(iii) Indigenous Peoples at the International Organization for Migration Caribbean Seminar: Building Capacity to Manage Migration in the Caribbean, held in Curacao from 05th - 08th November 2006.

(iv) Indigenous Peoples at the Civil Societ Forum on Migration and Development in Brussels in July 2007.

Experience relevant to, and which may impact on the Subject:

(i) Presented Human Rights Education Programmes via the Radio from 1990-1995.

(ii) Frequently consulted by the Media on human rights issues.

(iii) Defends the rights of the Indigenous People (Bethchilokono) of Saint Lucia to their Sacred and Cultural Sites. Began a movement for the Protection of the said Sacred and Cultural Sites.

(iv) Researcher in Indigenous Peoples' Cultures, Geography and History of the Americas; the Indian Ocean and the Pacific since 1988.

(v) Executes Comparative Studies of the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles, the Indian Ocean and the Pacific Islands from 1990 to the present.

(vi) Communications Consultant on the Kwéyòl Culture (Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean, South America abd the Pacific) from 1990 to the present.

(vii) Began collaboration with INTERIGHTS in 1997.

(viii) Represented Consumers on the Boad of Directors of the Saint Standard Council from 1998-2002. Advised the Board on the Rights of Consumers.

(ix) Mobilized the Indigenous People (Bethchilokono) of Saint Lucia to register in the 1991 and 2001 National Population Censuses. Designed a culturally appropriate Questionnaire which was adopted by all the Governments of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States.

(x) Represented the Saint Lucia Standard Council at the CARICOM Association of Standard Councils Board Meeting in Saint Kitts in 2001.

(xi) Coordinator of the First Trans-Caribbean Video Conference for the Anniversary of the Abolition of Slavery in the Caribbean, among the Islands of Dominica, Martinique and Saint Lucia, as a preparatory activity for the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, which was held in 2001. The Video Conference which was broadcasted live over Television for 16 hours in the three Islands brought together, Indigenous Repoples' Representatives, African Descendants Representatives, Non-governmental Organizations, Civil Society Organizations, Academics, Professionals, Media Personnel, Traditional Knowledge Holders, and Decision Makers; among others.

(xii) Advised the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry/Government of Saint Lucia, National Biological Diversity Enabling Project on ABS and Article 8(j) of the Convention on Biological Diversity from 2002 to the present.

(xiii) Submits National Reports to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity from 2003.

(xiv) Contributed to all the sub-themes of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from 2002, continuously.

(xv) Facilitator of several Indigenous People (Bethchilokono) of Saint Lucia Consultations on the Convention on Biological Diversity from 2003-2007.

(xvi) Presents Lectures on Human Rights at Secondary Schools in Saint Lucia since 2000.

(xvii) Facilitator of several Indigenous People (Bethchilokono) of Saint Lucia Consultations on the activities of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property from 2004 to the

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present.

(xviii) Represented the Caribbean Antilles at the Fourth Session of the United Nations Forum on Forests in New York from 16-27 May 2005.

(xix) Participated at the 11th Session of the United Nations Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Geneva in December 2005.

(xx) Facilitated the United Nations Development Programme/Equator Initiative to facilitate a Learning Exchange Project between the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia and the Traditional and Local Communities in Samoa from September 20th to October 10th 2006. The Project among other things did the following:

(a) Identified and addressed obstacles and processes to the retention and use of the knowledge, innovations and practices of indigenous and local communities relevant to the conservation and sustainable use of traditional knowledge associated with traditional medicines;

(b) Identified processes that may threaten traditional knowledge with the view to the identification and assessment of measures and initiatives to protect, promote and facilitate the use of such knowledge by the indigenous and local communities in Saint Lucia and Samoa.

(c) Studied the South Pacific Biodiversity Conservation Programme: Community-Based Ecosystem Conservation in the Pacific for replication (Lessons learnt and best practices in Saint Lucia).

(xxi) Represented Indigenous Peoples and Civil Society of Latin America and the Caribbean at the Meeting of Experts to the Sixteenth meeting of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic from 27th to 29th January 2008.

(xxii) Represented Indigenous Peoples and Civil Society of Latin America and the Caribbean at the Ministerial Segment of the Sixteenth meeting of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic from January 30th to 01 February 2008.

(xxiii) Member of the Indigenous Peoples' Panel at the Twelfth Session of WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, Geneva on 25th February 2008.

Other Areas of Concern:

(i) Human Rights advocacy, education, monitoring and protection.

(ii) Governance

(iii) Curriculum Development for the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles & The Diaspora and the in the Alliance of Small Island Developing States.

(iv) Data collection and disaggregation of Indigenous Peoples in the Caribbean Antilles & The Diaspora and the Alliance of Small Island Developing States.

(v) National Capacity Strengthening Programmes.

(vi) Information flow/Best practices/Knowledge exchange programmes among the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles & The Diaspora and the Alliance of Small Island Developing States.

(vii) Indigenous Peoples' Issues/human resource development/sustainable livelihood.

(viii) Clearing House Mechanism for the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles & The Diaspora and the Alliance of Small Island Developing States.

(ix) Visibility and participation of Indigenous Peoples of Saint Lucia, the Caribbean Antilles and the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) at local, regional and international fora.

(x) Protection of Migrant Workers and their Families; Contact with Migrant Diaspora Groups.

(xi) Technical Review of International Instruments/Regimes with special interests to Indigenous Peoples.

(xii) Translation into Kwéyòl of International Instruments/Regimes, decisions and recommendations with special interests to Indigenous Peoples.

(xiii) Anthropological Research.

(xiv) Traditional Knowledge/Traditional Cultural Expressions/Folklore Intellectual Property protection, development and preservation.

(xv) Bi-lingual (Kwéyòl and English) public-awareness programmes on the Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, thus advancing the recognition of their rights to control, own and manage their traditional knowledge and creativity.

(xvi) Constructive engagement with the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia through Working Sessions on the preservation of traditional methods of traditional occupations (agriculture and fishing, among others).

(xvii) Research on the mode of transmission of TK (protective mechanism) to ensure the widest possible participation among the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, within the Caribbean Antilles and The Diaspora and the Alliance of Small Island Developing States, to maintain and transmit their intangible heritage and to involve them in its management.

(xviii) Research and work on Indigenous Peoples' knowledge (Traditional Knowledge) for nature conservation and natural disaster management, in particular Weather Forecasting, and for mitigating and adapting to Climate Change.

(xix) Drawing from the Working Group on Article 8(j) and the Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Latin America and the Caribbean Working Group on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing and the Participation of the Region in the Negotiations of an International Regime and providing advice to the CARICOM and the Small Island Developing States of the Caribbean (SIDS) on their effective participation in the Negotiations of an International Regime on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing.

(xx) Working on a mechanism for the harmonization of the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, the FAO International Treaty on Plant Genetic

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Resources for Food and Agriculture, the TRIPS Agreement, Latin America and the Caribbean positions on ABS, UNESCO Conventions; the Revised CARICOM Treaty and the Mataatua Declaration on Cultural and Intellectual Property Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

(xxi) Maintenance of a Registry as a Database for the protection and preservation of the Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia.

(xxii) Maintenance of a Registry as a Database for the protection and preservation of the Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore of the Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles.

(xxiii) Monitoring of the use of the Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia; calling for the Government of Saint Lucia to create specific legal regimes to ensure that the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia are able to create, produce, disseminate, distribute and have access to their own cultural expressions and benefit from their own knowledge, prevent its unlawful use by others and obtain the rightful recognition.

(xxiv) Product development/standards development for Traditional Arts and Craft export development.

(xxv) Impact Assessments of Eco-Tourism and Heritage/Cultural Tourism Projects on Indigenous Peoples' communities. The implementation of the Akwe: Kon Guidelines and the Biodiversity and tourism: Development of Guidelines for Sustainable Tourism in Vulnerable Ecosystems.

(xxvi) Community Needs Assessments.

(xxvii) Environmental protection.

(xxviii) Biological Diversity and Sustainable Development Projects.

Collaborates with the following regional and international organizations:

The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs; United Nations Economic and Social Council (New York, Geneva and Vienna Offices; Economic Commission for Africa, Economic Commission for Europe, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia and Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific); Office of the High Commission for Human Rights and Subsidiaries (Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, Committee Against Torture, Committee on the Rights of the Child, Committee on the Protection of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families, Working Group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, Working Group of the sub-Commission on Contemporary Forms of Slavery and Minorities Working Group); United Nations High Commission for Refugees; United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development; United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Secretariat of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity; United Nations Environment Programme; Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification; United Nations World Summit on Information Society; Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests; United Nations Office for the Alliance of Small Island Developing States and Territories; United Nations Development Programme-Equator Initiative; Global Environment Fund; Pan-American Health Organization; World Health Organization; United Nations Children Fund; United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women; Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations; United Nations Habitat; International Labour Organization; United Nations Programme on Youth; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; United Nations Development Fund for Women; United Nations Division for Sustainable Development; United Nations World Tourism Organization; United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; United Nations Department of Public Information; International Committee of the Red Cross; Organization of American Secretariat and Subsidiaries (Working Group on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Inter-American Human Rights Commission, Summits of the Americas Secretariat; Inter-American Development Bank; Indigenous Peoples Advisory Committee to the Inter-American Development Bank); International Fund for Agricultural Development/World Bank Indigenous Peoples' Programme; Indigenous Caucus on the World Bank; World Intellectual Property Organization (Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore); Commonwealth Foundation; World Conservation Union; Natural Resources Defense Council; Freedom of Information Network, UNDP/Equator Initiative Community Vilaj; The Coalition for the International Criminal Court; Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research; Indigenous Peoples Summit of the Americas and Minority Rights Group; Amnesty International, World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters; International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs; International Bar Association Human Rights Institute; International Institute of Human Rights; INTERIGHTS; Council of Indigenous Peoples; International Institute for Sustainable Development; Property and Environment Research Center; National Geographic; Stockholm International Water Institute; The Observatory for Cultural and Audiovisual Communication; Food Security Information for Action; among others.

## Candidate Information : DOUCH, Latifa

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	DOUCH	<b>First Name</b>	Latifa	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Morocco	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the universal charter of human rights, the CERD Convention, the CEDAW convention, the convention on the Rights of the Child, and the ILO convention No169.  
She has knowledge of human rights and the administration of justice

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate is familiar with the UN mechanisms, treaty bodies, special procedures and working groups on indigenous peoples.  
She assisted to an information session at the ILO and WIPO related to the mandate of the international union for the conservation of nature and natural resources.  
She assisted to a two-weeks session with UNESCO, Paris

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate holds a law degree and has served as an attorney for the amazigh people within the framework of the « Tamaynut » organisation in which the candidate works. She has represented her organization in the 2006 session of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2000- 2008: Organisation TAMAYNUT - MAROC, Rabat, Morocco  
-1999- 2004:Legal intern ( Avocat- stagiaire), Casablanca, Morocco  
-2001- 2002 :Legal Intern ( Avocat stagiaire) with Me Fahd Elouftassi, Casablanca, Morocco  
-2004- 2008:Legal assistant ( Avocate assistante) with Me Med Amrhar et A.mestaoui.

The candidate participated to events organized by the Tamaynut organisation or other parts of the Amazighe movement, as a panellist or trained young people on human rights and rights of the Indigenous Amazighe of Morocco.  
The candidate is Secretary general of the Tamaynut organisation for 2005-2008 and has been proposed for the presidency of the national office of the organisation.

## Candidate Information : DUNUAN, Evelyn

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	DUNUAN	<b>First Name</b>	Evelyn	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Philippines	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

-The candidate has a high level and broad knowledge in international human rights instruments, norms and principles based on his work with various non-governmental organizations and governmental agencies as well as on attendance at international trainings and conferences sponsored by UN bodies. Specifically, the candidate attended a summer training programme on "indigenous rights in the international system" in the International Training Center of the Indigenous Peoples in Nunk, Greenland.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

- The candidate has a high level and broad knowledge of institutional mandates related to UN. Acting as a Chairperson of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) and a Commissioner for four years, where she coordinates with UN agencies and submits reports on human rights issues, the candidate acquired a knowledge of institutional mandates. Also, as being a participant, expert or resource speaker for various seminars, workshops, meetings and conferences related to human rights and indigenous peoples, the candidate acquired knowledge in the institutional mandates. Those conferences, seminars, workshops, meetings were organized, inter alia, by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, the World Bank, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development, Asian Human Rights Commission, UNIFEM, Asia Forum for Human Rights and Development, Regional Working Group on ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism, UNDP, UN CEDAW, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Present-2004: Commissioner representing Indigenous Peoples at the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (NCRFW).
- 2004-2001: Commissioner for CAR and Region of the NCIP
- 2003-2001: Chairperson on the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)
- August-April 2004: Undersecretary of the National Anti-Poverty Commission
- 2001-1997: Chairperson of the Coalition for Indigenous Peoples' Rights and Ancestral Domains
- 2001-1995: Member of the National Governing Board of the National Peace Conference under the auspices of Gaston Ortigas Peace Institute
- 2001-1993: Vice-President of the Ifugao Studies and Research Center
- 1998: Member of the Board of Directors of the Igorota Foundation, Inc. (a regional organization of indigenous women of the Cordilleras)
- 1996-1993: Member of the Provincial Task Force on Ancestral Domains of Ifugao Province
- 1995-1990: Chairperson of the Peoples's Law Enforcement Board
- 1993-1992: Has been involved in the human rights work with the National Unification Commission
- 1997-1994: has been involved in the human rights work with the Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process and for the Social Reform Agenda Council under the Office of the President
- Acting as promoter of indigenous peoples' rights through various NGO

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- The candidate received the plaque of appreciation from the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP); she was awarded one of the Historic Women Field of Public Service by the National Centennial Commission-Women Sector and the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (1999). She received various awards and citations from several municipalities in Ifugao province, government agencies, the Supreme Court, Lady Local Litigators Leagues of Philippines, Women in Nation Building, International Labor Organization, Ateneo Human Rights Center and from various NGO and indigenous peoples' organizations and communities.



## Candidate Information : ESPINOZA QUINTILLANA, Juan Carlos

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ESPINOZA QUINTILLANA	<b>First Name</b>	Juan Carlos	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Bolivia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of human rights principles norms and instruments, because of the experience he developed in defending indigenous peoples' rights, academic training received at the Institute of the Service for External Relations of Argentina, and the practical experience acquired at the consulate of Bolivia in Buenos Aires, where he dealt with cases of discrimination, trafficking of people and other violations of human rights, and provided advise on their rights to Bolivian nationals in Argentina.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of mandates related to human rights and indigenous peoples' rights, which are interlinked; He has knowledge of the application of ILO convention 169, of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigneous Peoples and international legal instruments related, inter alia, to trafficking in persons and discrimination.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate possesses experience in the work with indigenous peoples of Bolivia and some of their organizations such as the Consejo Nacional de Ayllus and Markas del Qullasuyu. He is originary from the Ayllu Kollana del Jatun ayllus Tinguipaya in Potosi, Bolivia. Besides his experience in the defence of indigenous peoples, the candidate has experience at the Bolivian consulate in Buenos Aires, defending bolivians against discrimination, trafficking of children and providing advise as to how to improve the Bolivian legislation to control these crimes. He has also visited prisons and assisted the coordination of meetings to improve the rights of bolivian detainees.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1999-2002: Consultant, Educational projects, Vice-Minsitry of primary and secondary education, Potosi Bolivia  
-2003: Facilitator in judicial proceedings, Potosi Bolivia  
-2004-2005: Facilitator of the Constituent Assembly, Consejo de Ayllus Originarios de Potosi. Potosi Bolivia  
-2007: Legal Advisor, National Council of the Ayllus and Markas of the Qollasuyu (CONAMAQ), La Paz Bolivia

The candidate's main area of competence is indigenous issues and indigenous movements in the Andean zone with CAOI  
He participated in the elaboration of the new constitution of the State, particularly in the drafting process of the section related to indigenous peoples which served as the basis of the newly-adopted constitution

## Candidate Information : FOFANA, Mamadou Lamine

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<b>Family Name</b>	FOFANA	<b>First Name</b>	Mamadou Lamine	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Senegal	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

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Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Not specified

Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate assisted to UN treaty bodies meetings as a representative for Senegal

Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-From 1983 to 1996 the candidate was rapporteur and representative of Senegal at the Human Rights Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural rights, at the CERD Committee, at the « Groupe des Trois pour l'élimination de la répression du crime d'Apartheid » Geneva, at the Committee Against Torture, at the CEDAW Committee, New York, at the African Commission on human and peoples' rights, Banjul, Gambia  
-Expert in training on the elaboration, presentation and follow up of national reports in the field of human rights, 2004.

-Vice-President of the Consultative Council on human rights and Peace Promotion

### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate was a delegate of the government of Senegal at various international conferences, seminars, experts meetings at the regional and international level, in the field of human rights and drug trafficking.

He received the following awards:

- Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite du Sénégal (1990).
- Officier de l'Ordre National du Mérite (1993).
- Officier de l'Ordre National du Mérite Français (mai 1995).
- Prix de la Communauté Economique des États de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (CEDEAO) pour le Contrôle de la Drogue (1998).

## Candidate Information : GABRIEL XIQUIN, Calixta

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	GABRIEL XIQUIN	<b>First Name</b>	Calixta	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Guatemala	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of human rights instruments, norms and principles: the international bill of human rights, instruments on the protection of human rights defenders, women's rights, humanitarian law, social progress and development

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of the mandate of OHCHR, its purpose and mechanisms for the protection of human rights

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate worked in the field of human rights and indigenous issues for over 15 years, especially indigenous people in Guatemala where she worked with local communities and with international organizations  
In 1990 she founded the "MOLOJ RUJOTAY NOJIB'AL MAYA TINAMIT" Council of Revival of the Wisdom of the Maya People ("Consejo Renacimiento de la Sabiduría del Pueblo Maya"),  
In 2006, she dealt with the cases of 1500 widows victims of the armed conflict in Guatemala

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2008: Consultant, Programme for temporary workers in Canada, International Organization for Migrations, Guatemala
- 2005: Reseracher, Centre for Environmental Studies, Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, Guatemala
- 2005: Director of the Women's department in the Guatemala Indigenous Development Fund - FODIGUA
- 2003: Consultant on rootless populations in Escuintla, ORGUA/MINUGUA Santa Rosa y Chimaltenango
- 2001: Sub- Director of Cooperation and International relations in the Presidential Secretariat for Women
- 2000-2002: Coordinator of the Programme for Assistance to Victims of Human Rights Violations (AVIDEH/OIM), Chimaltenango department, Guatemala
- 1999: Supervisor for the Project on citizens' participation, United Nations Office for Project Services, in 8 departments in Guatemala ( Huehuetenango, San Marcos, Quetzaltenango, Quiché, Chimaltenango, Izabal, Chiquimula and Salama)
- 1999: Consultant, National Peasant and Indigenous Coordination (CONIC), Institutional evaluation on the Maya Culture in 40 communities of 14 departments
- 1998: Consultant, International Organization for Migrations /Aragón y Asociados, diagnostic in communities affected by political violence in the Quiché and Chimaltenango departments
- 1998: Research Assistant, Earthwatch Institute, Rhode Island University, CIRMA
- 1995-1998: Coordinator, "Programa Ayuda Popular Noruega" APN, collaboration with 38 organizations in Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, México y Belice
- 1990: Programme on financing for integral development, financed by UNDP

She has competence at the national, regional and international level, she participated to the following events and conferences:

- 2005: She participated and made a presentation at the Working Group on Indigenous Populations on cultural and intellectual Heritage and specific rights of Indigenous Peoples, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2004: She made a presentation on the role of Maya women at the 6th Meeting of the Indigenous of the Americas, Universidad de Puerto Rico
- 2003: Participated to the General Assembly of Native Nations, Seattle, Washington
- 2002: Facilitator of Spiritual Guides, First Summit of Indigenous Women of the Americas, México
- 2002: Exhibition at the World Conference on Indigenous Education, Alberta, Canada
- 1997: International observer, elections in El Salvador, invited by FUNDASPAD
- 1990: Delegate and speaker on the role of Maya women in Guatemala, World Conference on Indigenous Women, Karasjohka, Noruega

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- 2004- present: Member of the National Commission for the follow up and support of the strengthening of Justice for Indigenous Peoples
- 2004: Main representative of the Council of Revival of the Wisdom of the Maya People in Guatemala
- 2002: International Coordinator of the Ancient Spiritual Guides of de Americas

## Candidate Information : GABRIEL, Katsi'tsakwas Ellen Jennifer

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	GABRIEL	<b>First Name</b>	Katsi'tsakwas Ellen	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

(...) As president of Quebec Native Women, the candidate works since 2004 for the promotion and protection of Indigenous women's rights in Canada and abroad  
The organization supports Indigenous women's efforts to improve their conditions by the promotion of non violence, justice, health and equality  
The organization also supports women in their road to autonomy and implication within their community.  
(...) The organization works for the recognition of the right to equal treatment of Indigenous women, on a legislative and constitutional level. That is why the candidate acquired knowledge of (...) international human rights norms and mechanisms to protect those rights, Indigenous rights, their right to land, to property, to cultural identity, and women and children's rights.  
The candidate (...) had training on human rights protection in the Interamerican system, given by an expert, M. Bernard Duhaime. In Canada, she militated for the adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

(...) At the international level, the candidate participates every year since 2004 to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, where she intervened to inform the international community on the situation of Indigenous women in Quebec and Canada.  
She participated to Beijing +10, in partnership with the "Alliance Féministe canadienne pour l'Action Internationale" (AFAI).  
At the regional level, she assisted to the 126th ordinary session of the Interamerican Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States, an initiative to draw attention of the international community on the situation of Indigenous women in the Americas  
  
The candidate traveled to the Hague (Netherlands), Strasbourg (France) to the European parliament She also traveled to Japan to inform on Indigenous identities and testify on the "Kanehsatake" events

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate (...) is known in Canada for her pacific role as a spokesman for Mohawks during the Oka crisis (...) opposing the Mohawk community of Kanehsatake and the governments of Quebec and Canada (...)

As president of Quebec Native Women, the candidate works for the defense of Indigenous women's rights and is their spokesman at the regional, national and international level  
She is a member of several committees, as the National Indigenous Health Organization (Organisation Autochtone nationale de la santé), the research group of Ottawa on health and traditional healing of Indigenous women of the university of Winnipeg, and the Native Women's Association of Canada in Ottawa

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2004- present: President of Quebec Native Women Inc./Femmes Autochtones du Quebec  
-September 2001 to December 2004: Coordinator, First Peoples' House, McGill University (provide support for Aboriginal students, administrative work, sensitization of the University i.e. participating in committee on Equity for First Peoples, lecturing in classes of McGill University as well as in student groups' events, initializing new programs i.e. hot lunch project, library project, pow wow, sweat lodges etc., searching out new funding resources for programs, creating events, movie afternoons, speakers series and maintaining, searching out new community contacts, advocating for the rights of Aboriginal students, and working with the public amongst various other tasks.  
-November 1992 to August 2001: Illustrator, Videographer, Curriculum Developer, Tsi Ronteriwanoón:ha ne Kanien'keha/Kanehsatà:ke Language Resource Center ( Illustration of school materials for Kanehsatà:ke Immersion School, creation of videos utilized in local schools of legends and local stories, researching of culturally relevant information of school curriculum

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materials, development of curriculum materials)

(...) Her competence is recognized at the national and international level.

She received the following awards:

Golden Eagle Award from the Native Women Association of Canada, 2003

Homage from the Quebec's Bar Association, 2008

Her association is also member of the « Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas », a regional network of women from the Americas. As a representative of the Northern American branch, she intervenes in the name of Indigenous women (...)

She is recognized by the international community thanks to her participation in regional and international organizations

## Candidate Information : GINNISH, Sandra

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	GINNISH	<b>First Name</b>	Sandra	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate is familiar with United Nations human rights conventions, how these standards can apply to government policies and programs, as well as the processes of many human rights committees.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Besides her knowledge of United Nations instruments and committees dealing with human rights, having taken part in discussions and conferences with the Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Issues, the candidate is aware of the function and role of Special Rapporteurs. She has participated at the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, including moderating a very successful side event on Indigenous Women as Agents of Change.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate has worked on policies that reconcile, balance and protect the special needs and rights of indigenous peoples with broader social and economic development priorities.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Gatineau, Québec Canada (32 years)

Present: Director General, External Relations and Gender Issues Branch  
1999 - 2006: Director General, Treaties, Research, International and Gender Equality Branch  
1997 - 1999: Director General Legislation, Research and Cabinet Affairs Branch  
1993 -1997: Director, Indian Registration and Band Lists  
1992 - 1993: Senior Liaison, Liaison Office with the Royal Commission on Aboriginal People  
1990 - 1991: Registrar, Indian Registration and Band Lists  
1988 - 1990: Project Manager, Policy and Band Affairs, Membership and Entitlement Directorate  
1987 - 1988: Project Manager, Band Membership Rules Project, Membership and Entitlement Directorate  
1985 - 1986: Head, Reinstatement Unit, Membership Division  
1982 - 1985: Special Advisor and Head, Special Services, Membership Division  
1976 - 1982: Progressively responsible positions in the Lands, Revenues and Trusts Sector

The candidate has worked on the recognition and promotion of indigenous peoples' rights in Canada and elsewhere. This has included work to overcome discriminatory practices, particularly against indigenous women. It has been said of Ms. Ginnish that she (...)demonstrates the value and the possibility of a different kind of public sector leadership.

The candidate has published: Human History Bibliography of the Gros Morne National Park. An Annotated Bibliography Concerning the Native Peoples of the Maritimes.

## Candidate Information : GOMEZ BRAVO, Noemí

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	GOMEZ BRAVO	<b>First Name</b>	Noemí	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Mexico	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The protection of human rights of minorities and tribal people

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Referring to the Office of the High Commissioner of Human rights, knowledge of urgent actions in case of denunciations of disappearances, torture etc., or in case of conflicts, a fact finding mission in the field to negotiate with both parts; in relation to the ILO, it is a tripartite institution, where the community takes part, the State that has violated the rights of the indigenous and the ILO, it is a binding organism

Training for indigenous Readers on International law, coordinated by OHCHR with the University of Deusto, Bilbao, Spain in 2004.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Rights to land of indigenous women within their own communities as a factor of equality and an intangible patrimony of the indigenous people
- 1995: Organizational Commission for the third National Indigenous Assembly for Autonomy (ANIPA)
- Selected by the Voluntary Fund of Indigenous Populations of the OHCHR to participate to the 23rd session of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations in July 2005, Geneva, Switzerland; and made a presentation on this occasion: "Etnodesarrollo sustentable, Cosmovisión y Ciencia" in 2004
- Participated to the Universal Forum of Cultures, Barcelona 2004, in the framework of the World Youth festival with Fellows of the UN to work on Indigenous Millennium Goals, coordinated by Julian Burger, chief of the programme of indigenous of OHCHR.
- Selected by OHCHR and the Universal Forum of Cultures to answer one of the 141 questions of the Dialogue of the Forum: ¿Podemos ser indígenas en el siglo XXI? ¿Queremos? On the International Day of the World's Indigenous People, Barcelona, Spain, 2004.
- Participated to the Vth Nacional meeting of Indigenous women in the Artes, in Tuxtla Gutierrez Chiapas, organized by Culturas Populares" CONACULTA and the authorities of Chiapas in 2006
- Assisted to the international university of Andalucía to the Days on multiculturalism and indigenous rights in the Americas, La Rábida, España, 2004.
- Organized a conference on the fight of indigenous peoples, Universidad del País Vasco, Bilbao, España, in 2004.
- Participated to the regional meeting on human rights "Los Derechos Humanos en México vistos desde la Perspectiva de los Jóvenes" and made a presentation on political violence, (organized by the Mexican institute on Youth in 2001)
- Participate to the Workshop "El Derecho Indígena y la Relación de las Organizaciones Civiles y los Pueblos Indígenas", organized by INI, SAIAC and CENCOS, Ciudad de México

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1996-1999: Human Rights and Conflict resolution, Chiapas, Mexico  
1995-2002: Agrarian Law for women, Oaxaca, México  
2004-2007: Free, prior and inform concern as a right, Oaxaca, México

She has worked and participated in conferences, workshops, trainings, working groups on Indigenous issues taking place at the national, regional and international level. She was selected by OHCHR for participation to events on indigenous peoples.  
Her competence is recognized by the indigenous people of Chiapas and Oaxaca  
She was invited by the Committee for the respect of human rights "Daniel Gillard", to visit the European Parliament in Brussels (...)  
She has publications on indigenous' rights issues



## Candidate Information : HENRIKSEN, John

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	HENRIKSEN	<b>First Name</b>	John	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Norway	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has [...] knowledge about international human rights instruments, norms, principles and mechanisms. "Please see below as referred to the candidate's relevant experience in the field of human rights".

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has worked within the UN system in [...] capacities [...] capacities for a long period of time; he has [...] good knowledge about institutional mandates of the UN and some regional organizations working in the area of human rights.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

2006 - present: Self-employed human rights consultant, Bangkok, Thailand

Position: Consultant

Work on internationally on issues related to human rights and international policy processes, for governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, private entities and UN agencies, including the International Labour Office, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Convention on Biological Diversity, UNEP/GEF, and UNEP/GRID.

2004-2005: Consultancy Firm Jaruma A/S, Oslo, Norway

Position: Senior adviser

Research and advisory service, including on policy processes and human rights.

2002-2005: Nordic Group of Experts on Indigenous Saami Rights

Position: Expert

Participating alternate member of Expert Group, appointed by the Governments of Finland, Norway and Sweden; Appointed by the Government of Norway as participating alternate member to the Chairman of the Group of Experts, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Norway, Dr. Carsten Smith.

Mandated to prepare a draft Nordic Convention on the Rights of the Indigenous Saami People in the above-mentioned countries.

2002-2003: The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway

Department for Human Rights, Humanitarian Assistance and Democracy

Position: Adviser

Thematic responsibilities: Indigenous peoples, minorities, human rights defenders, racism and racial discrimination, freedom of expression, human rights in post-conflict situations, UN treaty bodies, multilateral human rights processes;

Main Assignments included the following:

- Coordination and follow-up of human rights issues at the (1) UN Commission on Human Rights, (2) Economic and Social Council, and (3) Third Committee of the General Assembly;
- Negotiations on the Draft UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues;
- International human rights tribunals, including the International Criminal Court of Justice;

2000-2002: Member of National Legal Commission on Ethnic Discrimination

Position: Member of Commission

Commission appointed by the Government of Norway, composed of eight legal experts in the field of human rights; tasked to review national legislation on racial and ethnic discrimination; to propose legal measures necessary to improve protection against racial and ethnic discrimination, including a national monitoring system; the proposals are contained in White Paper NOU 2002:12.

1999-2001: The Saami Council, Utsjoki, Finland

Position: Human Rights Coordinator and Permanent UN Representative

The Saami Council is an indigenous Saami NGO in consultative status with ECOSOC and the International Labour Organization (ILO). The organization is the non-governmental branch of the

## Candidate Information : HENRIKSEN, John

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indigenous Saami people in Finland, Russian Federation, Norway and Sweden.

Responsible for human rights issues and other issues related to indigenous peoples at the UN Commission on Human Rights and the Economic and Social Council, including the process which led to the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

Coordinator of human rights training programme for indigenous representatives in Africa and Asia, entitled "Indigenous Peoples: International Human Rights Standards and the Policy Process".

1999-2001: Law Firm Haugen, Oslo, Norway  
Position: Attorney-at-law  
Worked on civil law issues, including human rights litigations.

1996-1999: The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland  
Position: Human Rights Officer

Assigned responsibilities pertaining to the human rights of indigenous peoples;

Responsible for the preparation of substantive reports, legal research and documentation to the General Assembly, Commission on Human Rights and the Sub-Commission on Human Rights, including "Review of the Existing Mechanisms, Procedures and Programmes within the United Nations concerning Indigenous Peoples", UN Document A/51/493;

Prepared substantive reports, records and other documentation for UN meetings including the annual sessions of the UN Working Group on Indigenous Populations and the Commission on Human Rights' Working Group on the Draft UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Substantive documentation to/from the Commission on Human Rights' Working Group on the Possible Establishment on a Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. Served as resource person on a number of regional workshops and seminars on the possible establishment of the Permanent Forum.

Undertook a [...] number of field missions to various countries on behalf of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights;

Responsible for development, preparations, commencement, coordination and implementation of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights' Indigenous Fellowship Programme - a training programme for indigenous peoples in the field of international human rights and international policy processes.

1995-1996: Human Rights Consultant, Geneva and London  
Position: Self-employed human rights consultant

Focus on human rights and environment;

Projects included research and report on discrimination in employment (ILO); and a proposal for the establishment of a joint parliamentary body for the Saami in Finland, Norway and Sweden (resulted in the establishment of the Saami Parliamentary Council);

1994-1995: The Sami Parliament, Karasjok, Norway  
Position: Legal and Policy Adviser  
Legal and policy adviser to the Sami Parliament in Norway. The Sami Parliament is an elected indigenous parliament in Norway; Responsible for indigenous issues within the United Nations system.

1992-1994: Inner-Finnmark Legal Aid Office, Karasjok, Norway  
Position: Director / Lawyer

Governmental Legal Aid Office serving five municipalities in Finnmark County in Northern Norway, funded by the Ministry of Justice. The majority of the clients were indigenous Saami persons and communities. Cases on civil law, including human rights.

1992-1993: The Saami Council, Utsjoki, Finland  
Position: Member of Legal Committee

Appointed as member of the Saami Council's Legal Committee, which was mandated to draft a proposal for a framework convention on indigenous Saami rights between Finland, Russian Federation, Norway and Sweden.

1991-1994: The Saami Council, Utsjoki, Finland  
Position: Human Rights Adviser and Permanent Representative to the UN  
Advised on human rights issues and policy processes;  
Represented the Saami Council at UN meetings and other international fora;  
Coordinated activities relating to the above.

## Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2006- present: Self-employed consultant in the field of human rights and international policy affairs, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2003-2003: Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway, Oslo, Norway
- 2002-2005: Nordic Group of Experts on Indigenous Saami Rights appointed by the Governments of Finland, Norway and Sweden, Royal Ministry of Local Government and Labour, Oslo, Norway
- 2000-2002: National Commission on Ethnic Discrimination, Royal Ministry of Local Government and Labour, Oslo, Norway
- 1999-2002: Lawfirm Haugen, Oslo, Norway
- 1996-1999: The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland
- 1991-1994/ 1999-2004: The Saami Council, Utsjoki, Finland
- 1994-1995: The Sami Parliament, Karasjok, Norway
- 1992-1994: Inner-Finmark Legal Aid Office (Royal Ministry of Justice)

The candidate has [...] knowledge of the human rights situation in the "various" regions of the world, in particular indigenous peoples human rights; as he has worked on human rights issues in "many" countries/regions in "various" capacities.

The candidates competency in the field of human rights is [...] recognized at the national level, in the Nordic countries and internationally. He has written [...] on indigenous peoples human rights, nationally as well internationally. The candidates latest published article is included in the University of Cambridge's quarterly journal Cambridge International Review of International Affairs (Volume 21, Number 1, March 2008); entitled "the continues process of recognition and implementation of the Sami people's right to self-determination."

He has worked [...] on the human rights of the indigenous Sami people, as well as other indigenous peoples.

During his time in the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway, the candidate was responsible for human rights issues at the multilateral level, including the United Nations. He also served in the inter-ministerial working group on minority issues, and in the working group on Saami policy matters. The candidate also served as Norway's resource person for human rights issues in the Sudan peace process - the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Peace Process. He has conducted human rights trainings and teachings in "numerous" countries, including for indigenous and tribal peoples in "various" Asian and African countries.

## Candidate Information : HUERTAS GONZÁLEZ, Hector

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	HUERTAS GONZÁLEZ	<b>First Name</b>	Hector	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Panama	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Knowledge of international (UN) and regional (OAS) legal instruments on human rights.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Knowledge of the international (UN) and regional (OAS) systems of protection of human rights, including the treaty bodies and the systems of communications or individual petitions

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

From 1985, the candidate has represented legally some indigenous peoples from Panama in the negotiations with the government on issues related to the collective lands' title, the rights over natural resources and the recognition of the indigenous governments at the domestic level. He has presented petitions before the inter-american commission of human rights and has provided legal advice to a number of indigenous peoples from the Americas on human rights cases. He has provided advice to the government of Panama in the adoption of new laws on the protection of indigenous peoples. He has participated in international activities within the framework of the United Nations and the OAS in relation to indigenous peoples' rights. He also participated in the processes of standard-setting within the IADB and the World Bank. He has written a number of documents to raise awareness on human rights and the systems for their protection.

He has worked pro-bono for more than 10 years in different organisms dealing with the rights of indigenous peoples such as the UNPFII (Ms. Victoria Tauli Corpus); the WG on the draft Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples (H.E the Ambassador Luis Enrique Chavez) and the WG on the proposed American declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples (H.E. The Ambassador Juan León Alvarado). He has also worked on indigenous peoples before organisms of the World Bank, the IADB and within the Panamanian government.

Ha has participated in a number of activities on human rights organized by the inter-american institute of human rights as well as in a number of activities on indigenous peoples' rights such as the analysis and discussion on ILO Convention 169 in January 2000.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate has more than 10 years of working experience as:

- an attorney in cases involving indigenous peoples in administrative, civil, criminal, labour, and family matters
- a human rights trainer and conflict resolution facilitator at the national and international levels
- a drafter and negotiator of a number of laws and proposed laws affecting indigenous peoples.
- a participant of a number of activities on guidelines and international standard-setting on indigenous peoples issues.
- As a legal advisor of indigenous organizations in Panama from 1985 onwards.
- a representative of indigenous organizations in Latin-America

From 1987 to date he has been in charge of the indigenous programme of a Centre of Legal assistance (CEALP)

## Candidate Information : IBANEZ SANCHEZ, Miguel Alberto

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	IBANEZ SANCHEZ	<b>First Name</b>	Miguel Alberto	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Peru	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has Knowledge of the following:

- UN Declarations and conventions on human rights or related issues
- UN Charter of 1945
- international bill of human rights (Universal Declaration of Human Rights, ICCPR; ICESCR)
- ILO convention No169
- European Charter for Regional and Minority Languages
- ILO Convention 111 on Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) (1960)
- Declaration on Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities
- CERD convention
- International norms and instruments on intellectual property protection and biodiversity
- Declaration on Friendly Relations
- Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action
- UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- International norms and instruments related to the protection of natural resources, indigenous language and values for example in the UNESCO Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity (and Action Plan), UNESCO Recommendation Concerning the Promotion and Use of Multilingualism and Universal Access to Cyberspace and the UNESCO Convention for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of the OHCHR, the Human Rights Council, its special procedures and thematic mandate-holders, especially the special rapporteur on Child pornography, the special rapporteur on the right to development, the special rapporteur on forced and involuntary disappearances, the special rapporteur on the right to health and the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people. He has knowledge of the Inter-American system of human rights, the Inter-American Institute for Human Rights, and non governmental organizations promoting and protecting human rights He has knowledge of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the International Decade for the World's Indigenous People

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate descends from a quechua family from Peru. He has experience in the protection of indigenous people in Peru  
He prepared a study on the impact of climate change on Indigenous peoples  
As a representative of the NGO Habitat Pro Association, he participated to all meetings of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the majority of the debates of the General Assembly on the draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the meeting where it was adopted  
He participated to international and regional conferences, workshops and forums related to climate change, sustainable development and indigenous peoples, organized by the OAS, the UN-UNITAR, The United Nations University Institute for Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS) together with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research among others

For example he participated to the Special Session of the Working Group to Prepare the Proposed American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples at the OAS Headquarters in 2002, the International Expert Group Meeting on Indigenous Languages at the ECOSOC Division for Social and Development in 2008, New York and the 52nd session on the Commission on the Status of Women

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1975-1995: Professor of Geography, Universidad Nacional San Marcos, Lima, Peru
- 1969-1975: Professor of History and Geography, Colegio Nacional Bartolome Herrera, Lima, Peru
- 1997-2000: Director for Ecology, Metropolitan Municipality of Lima, Peru

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-1999: environmental advisor, CARITAS, Peru

-2002-2008: Advisor for the NGO "Asociacion Habitat Pro", New York, USA

He has taken part (...) in all the meetings of the Permanent Forum since his foundation and also in the debates on the proposals for a Declaration of the Rights of the Peoples Indigenous of America in the OAS in Washington.

He was present at the negotiations and deliberations in New York before the approval of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

He directed the website [www.habitatpro.org](http://www.habitatpro.org) for five years devoting himself to reports exclusively about the Permanent Forum of the United Nation on Indigenous Issues, and developments related to the Declaration of the Rights of the Indigenous Peoples.

The candidate has publications on Indigenous issues, he made statements at the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues that can be found online (see CV)

## Candidate Information : ILAQUICHE LICTA, Raul

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ILAQUICHE LICTA	<b>First Name</b>	Raul	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Ecuador	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of international and regional (inter-american system) human rights instruments, he participated in regional and international workshops and negotiation on Indigenous peoples' rights and issues

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate participated in the United Nations and Inter-american system in relation to indigenous issues. He is familiar with the work of the United Nations' working group on Indigenous peoples, the special rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of the Indigenous People and the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Lawyer specialized in the defence of Indigenous peoples and communities
- Trainee for judges, lawyers and prosecutors on human rights of Indigenous peoples and related international instruments
- 2002- 2003: participated to the elaboration of the draft American declaration on Indigenous peoples' rights at the OAS headquarters, Washington DC, United States of America
- 2004: participant, 3rd session of the United Nations permanent forum on Indigenous issues
- 1997- 2008: Legal advisor of the Indigenous movement of Cotopaxi, Ecuador
- 2003- 2008: Legal advisor of the Confederation of peoples of Kichwa nationality of Ecuador ECUARUNARI, Ecuador

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- Lawyer specialized in the defence of Indigenous peoples and communities
- Professor of social sciences and Kichwa, Ecuador
- Deputee and legislator of the province of Cotopaxi
- 2001- 2003: Chief of the Indigenous movement Cotopaxi, Ecuador
- 2002: participant, Special session of the OAS working group in charge of a draft American declaration of Indigenous peoples' rights
- 2003- 2006: Vice president of Confederation of peoples of Kichwa nationality of Ecuador ECUARUNARI, Ecuador
- 2004: participant, 3rd session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
- 2005- 2007: Executive director of the Kichwa Defence Foundation, Cotopaxi, Ecuador
- 2007- 2008: Vice president of the territorial circumscription and autonomous government of Tigua, Ecuador
- 1997- 2008: Legal advisor of the Indigenous movement of Cotopaxi, Ecuador
- 2003- 2008: Legal advisor of the Confederation of peoples of Kichwa nationality of Ecuador ECUARUNARI, Ecuador

## Candidate Information : JACANAMIJOY TISOY, Segundo

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	JACANAMIJOY TISOY	<b>First Name</b>	Segundo Antonio	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Colombia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

ILO Convention 169  
Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Among others: United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; UNPFII; CBD; CCC; Proposed American Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples, Indigenous Fund

Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Defense in topics dealing with land, environment and strategies for the survival of indigenous peoples. The Candidate states he has demonstrated experienced through his participation in different activities at the UN level including the discussion on the UN declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples; UNPFII; CBD; CCC, Proposed American Declaration on the rights of Indigenous peoples within the framework of the OAS and the Indigenous Fund.

### Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

4 years - ONIC- National Indigenous Organization of Colombia.  
6 years - COICA- Coordinator of the Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon Basin, Quito, Ecuador.  
3 years - United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York, U.S.A.  
8 years - OPIAC- Organization of indigenous peoples of the Colombian Amazonia, Bogota, Colombia.

2001-2003 Vice-President of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues ONU-ECOSOC, New York  
2001 Independent expert of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues ONU-ECOSOC, New York  
1998-2001 Member of the Board of Advisors of the PRIAIA Programme (Programme for the Support to Amazonian Indigenous Peoples) of FIDA-CAF, La Paz-Bolivia  
1998-2001 Member of the Board of Advisors of the Trust Fund COICA-OXFAM-AMERICA-Boston, U.S.A.  
1998-2002 Coordinator of the Amazonia Regional Project on Socialization of International Procedures on Indigenous Rights. FORD Foundation -COICA.  
1997-2001 General coordinator of COICA, Quito-Ecuador.  
1996 Member of the board of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Oaxaca, Mexico  
1992-97 Coordinator of the Department for Territorial defence of COICA, Quito, Ecuador.  
1997-2001 Member of the directive council of the Alliance for the Environment COICA, Quito, Ecuador.  
1990-92 Vice-President of the Indigenous National Organization of Colombia (ONIC).  
1987 Indigenous Governor of Cabildo Inga de Santiago, Putumayo, Colombia.

The candidate has cited around 40 conferences related to indigenous issues to which he has participated.



## Candidate Information : JACOBS, Beverly

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	JACOBS	<b>First Name</b>	Beverly	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has specialized in Indigenous peoples and international human rights for many years. As President of the Native Women's Association of Canada, she has been actively involved in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as well as in the development of the draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. She has advocated for the right to live free from violence for Indigenous women in many international and regional fora, including the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (2006 & 2007) as well as the Commission on the Status of Women (2007) as well as for recognition of the right of self-determination for Indigenous peoples. As President of NWAC, she has participated in many meetings with UN Special Rapporteurs, including the former Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous People, Rodolfo Stavenhagen, the Special Rapporteur on the Right to Adequate Housing and the Special Rapporteur on the Violence against Women.

The candidate has also completed her Masters in Law degree focusing on international law and the Great Law of Peace (Haudenosaunee). Her education, her practical experience and her academic career as a professor and instructor in a number of different universities and educational institutions, demonstrates her understanding of international human rights instruments, norms and principles.

The candidate has been travelling globally to address the issues of human rights violations against Indigenous peoples and to address human rights issues, in general. For example, she participated with an international group of human rights experts with the National Indigenous Organization of Colombia (ONIC) on its International Verification Mission on the Humanitarian and Human Rights Situation of Indigenous Peoples in Colombia. This took place in September, 2006. The Mission was made up of human rights and civil society organizations from Europe, Latin America, United States and Canada with observers from United Nations agencies, the Swiss Embassy, the German Embassy and the European Commission delegation and MAPP-OAS. In addition, the Mission participated in the National Indigenous Women's Forum and in the National Forum for the Life of Indigenous Peoples. NWAC assisted in funding the Indigenous Women's Forum.

The candidate was invited by the Government of Ireland in April, 2006 to address issues surrounding minorities and racism.

The candidate was also invited to present in June, 2007 at a conference in Darwin, Australia to address human rights violations occurring against women in prison.

The candidate has work experience in this area in the area of international human rights instruments, norms and principles as lecturer, instructor and speaker.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

As President of NWAC, she has participated in many meetings with UN Special Rapporteurs, including the former Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous People, Rodolfo Stavenhagen, the Special Rapporteur on the Right to Adequate Housing and the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women. Her work involves advancing the human rights of Indigenous women and peoples through effectively working with existing mandate-holders of the UN Human Rights Council (and former Commission on Human Rights) to provide the necessary information to inform their annual reports, reports on missions to Canada and other report. Prior to working with NWAC, Beverly Jacobs worked with Amnesty International on the Stolen Sisters report, which documented the systemic nature of violence against Indigenous women in Canada - a report which has been referred to extensively throughout the UN system.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Ms Jacobs has experience working at the national, regional and international level of human rights, with a particular emphasis on the human rights of Indigenous women and Indigenous peoples. Her experience includes working as a lawyer for Indigenous rights, to research, writing and policy analysis of human rights issues facing Indigenous peoples, to leading a national political organization (NWAC) as President, representing the voice of Indigenous women in Canada at the community and national level as well as throughout the Americas and globally.

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### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

2004-present: Native Women's Association of Canada; Ottawa, Canada  
2004-present: Barrister and Solicitor; Ohsweken, Six Nations Grand River Territory  
1998-2004: Bear Clan Consulting; Ohsweken Six Nations Grand River Territory  
2002-2003: Eberts, Symes, Street & Corbett; Toronto, Canada  
06/2001-10/2001: Residential Schools Issues Community Worker, Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto; Toronto, Canada  
08/2000-11/2000: Course Developer/Trainer, UPPER MOHAWK, INC. , Beavercreek, Ohio.  
01/1997-03/1998: Native Family Courtwork Program Developer/Trainer, Ontario Federation of Indian Friendship Centres; Toronto, Ontario.  
10/1996-01/1997: Native Criminal Courtwork Trainer, Ontario Federation of Indian Friendship Centres; Toronto, Ontario  
09/1994-04/1995: Teaching Assistant for Prof. Patricia Monture-Angus, Department of Native Studies, University of Saskatchewan.  
05/1994-09/1994 and 05/1993 -08/1993: Teaching Assistant and tutor for native students in the Program of Legal Studies for Native People. Native Law Centres, University of Saskatchewan.  
01/1994-04/1994: Judicial Research Assistant (Law Clerk) for three Supreme Court Justices of the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories; Yellowknife, NWT.  
09/1992-03/1993: Teaching Assistant for Legal Writing Instructor, Sukanya Pillay - researching for first year moot, marking and assisting first year law students, UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR, Faculty of Law, Windsor, Ontario.  
05/1992-08/1992: Research Assistant for Professors Delores Blonde and Brian Mazer summarizing reports and researching native law, University of Windsor, Faculty of Law, Windsor, Ontario.  
06/1985-05/1991: Legal Assistant/ Law Clerk for various lawyers in Hamilton and Brantford.

The candidate is currently the President of the Native Women's Association of Canada and as such has advanced the rights of women nationally and internationally. She has background in law, social policy and academia, focusing on the rights of Indigenous peoples.

The candidate has over 40 presentations which outline the varied and general human rights experience and competency that she holds in relation to human rights.

The candidate has over 20 consultative work experience.

The candidate taught as an instructor and professor on issues regarding indigenous people in a number of universities.

The candidate has 5 published articles.

## Candidate Information : JIMENEZ MIRANDA, Guillermo

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	JIMENEZ MIRANDA	<b>First Name</b>	Guillermo	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Panama	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the UN declarations and conventions on human rights

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Not specified

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate participated in the fight for land of the Ngabe-Bugle  
He coordinated the drafting of the Law nbr.10 of 1997, the executive order nbr.194 of 1999 of the Ngabe-Bugle region, and participated in the delimitation of the Ngabe-Bugle territory as a legal consultant for the National Programme for the Administration of Land, PRONAT

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1984- 1989: legislador de la republica, National Assembly of Panama
- 1998: Legal adviser of the general Congress Ngabe-Bugle, Panama
- 2005-2008: Legal consultant for PRONAT (National Programme for the Administration of Land) for the delimitation of the Ngabe-Bugle region
- 1995- 1998: personero municipal of Chiriqui Grande, Panama

The candidate has acted at the local and national and international level for the defence of Indigenous people, especially from Panama and Central America. He has published articles on Indigenous issues.

- 1968 and 1971: participated to the preparation of the National Congresses of Indigenous Peoples of Panama
- 1971 and 1975: participated in the first and second national meeting of Indigenous leaders in Panama
- 1982: participated to the conference "Realidad Indígena del Istmo de Panamá"
- 1988: Chief of delegation to the 2nd meeting of Indigenous legislators of Latin America, Managua, Nicaragua

## Candidate Information : KUPPE, Rene

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	KUPPE	<b>First Name</b>	Rene	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Austria	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Professor Kuppe has (...) researched and published on indigenous rights and international human rights law. He has followed international negotiations in that regard, including the 1993 UN Conference on Human Rights in Vienna and the Convention on Biological Diversity. The candidate has also followed the negotiation of ILO Convention 169 and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. He worked on the development and implementation of new Latin American constitutions and laws regarding indigenous rights. The candidate teaches international human rights law, both at the academic/university level, and in the context of projects of international cooperation with indigenous peoples.

As an example, the candidate was the scholar responsible for the design and realisation of training seminars on the topic of international human rights of indigenous peoples. The training seminars were directed to the project partners in six Latin American countries in the research project "Multicultural autonomy and sustainable development" (Project acronym: LATAUTONOMY, Call: FP5-2000 INCO-DEV, Contract: ICA4-CT-2001-10082), Some of the academic partners were indigenous organisations. See: [http://www.latautonomy.org/lae\\_par.htm](http://www.latautonomy.org/lae_par.htm)

The candidate also offered seminars as part of the curriculum of the "The European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation", and provides its graduates with practical work experience.  
See: <http://portal.unesco.org/shs/en/ev.php>

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Professor Kuppe teaches the institutional structure of the United Nations in his classes and has (...) knowledge of the mandates and work of the United Nations bodies focusing on human rights (such as the UN Working Group on Indigenous Populations in the past, the UN Permanent Forum and the Reports of the UN Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Issues). He also follows the rulings of UN human rights bodies and of the Inter-American Commission and Court especially on indigenous rights.

From 2005-2007, Professor Kuppe was member of the international INDIPO research network, Indigenous Peoples as International Political Actors: Indigenousness and Construction of Political Agency (INDIPO), the research was funded by the Academy of Finland, and a focus of this work was an analysis of legal and political aspects of the participation of indigenous peoples in international institutions and fora (United Nations, Arctic Council).  
<http://www.arcticcentre.org/?depid=23763>

During the last couple of years, Prof. Kuppe has been the tutor and supervisor of about 20 doctoral thesis in law, about different aspects of the law of indigenous peoples, in all regions of the world.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate served as an advisor for the implementation of the constitutional provisions on indigenous rights in Venezuela and is currently working on a demarcation project to implement those provisions.

He advocated for indigenous rights at the international level.

He has worked with European support groups in lobbying for the recognition of indigenous rights, including the implementation of ILO Convention 169 and the adoption of the UN Declaration on the rights of indigenous Peoples. He has also followed international environmental negotiations in relation to traditional knowledge of indigenous peoples, such as the Convention on Biological Diversity.

He spearheaded (...) projects that ensure the implementation of indigenous rights on the ground and research how indigenous knowledge contributes to the preservation of biological diversity, such as the Latautonomy project that brought together nine universities from Europe and Latin America and many indigenous communities.

1999- 2004 Legal Consultant of the German "Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit" (GTZ, German agency for development cooperation) in international projects concerning the rights of indigenous peoples in Venezuela.

Member of the Austrian "National Biodiversity Commission", based at the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment, Vienna. The commission is coordinating the Austrian national policy on

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biodiversity and preparing international positions of Austria in biodiversity and other environmental issues. Special responsibility: Issues of traditional knowledge and indigenous and local communities.

Since 1987, he participated in several meetings of the United Nations concerning human rights of indigenous peoples, especially "Working Group on Indigenous Populations" meetings in Geneva; Biodiversity COP conferences; coordination of Indigenous meeting at the UN World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, 1993.

### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1981- Present: Professor, lectures on indigenous law and legal anthropology, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2006: Project experience European Commission, Venezuela
- 2001-2005: Project experience European Commission, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panamá, Ecuador
- 1999-2004: GTZ, Venezuela

Legal and political adviser of the indigenous organization "Asociación de Pueblos Indígenas Yukpas" (ACIPY) from Venezuela. ACIPY was the first indigenous organization from Venezuela represented at the WGIP in 1987.

From 2001 - 2003 the candidate was a legal consultant, working for the Permanent Commission on Indigenous Peoples of the National Assembly of Venezuela, in the drafting of a national law on the rights of indigenous peoples. This work was part of a project funded by the German development cooperation agency "GTZ". The law was later adopted (Ley de Pueblos y Comunidades Indígenas) (...)

Professor Kuppe currently coordinates the project, "Promoción de la participación indígena en la demarcación de sus hábitat y tierras", funded by the European Commission (Call EuropeAid/120914/L/G/VE). In the context of this project, the candidate has designed and organised several regional and one international workshop on the demarcation of indigenous lands. The international workshop has brought together leading experts and scholars from 6 Latin American countries (...).  
[http://www.delven.ec.europa.eu/es/cultura/EuropaChevere/Sexto\\_Numero/indigenas/UEenVzla\\_indigenas.htm](http://www.delven.ec.europa.eu/es/cultura/EuropaChevere/Sexto_Numero/indigenas/UEenVzla_indigenas.htm)

In the context of the upcoming international conference of the "International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences" (Kunming, China, July 2008) Prof. Kuppe will coordinate a panel with the title: "Dimensions of the Meaning "Indigenous" with Special Focus on the Asian Region "  
<https://www.icaes2008.org>

Currently Professor Kuppe coordinates the project "capacity building of the Indigenous Peoples of Venezuela in the demarcation of their lands", funded by the European Commission (Call EuropeAid/120914/L/G/VE). In the context of this project, the candidate has designed and organised several regional and one national workshop on the topic of demarcation of indigenous lands. The international workshop has brought together leading experts and scholars from 6 Latin American countries (...)

Professor Kuppe is also the editor for the international journal Law and Athropology and a member of the board for the World Congress on Legal Pluralism that follows (...)international developments in regard to the human rights of indigenous peoples.

## Candidate Information : LASIMBANG, Jannie

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LASIMBANG	<b>First Name</b>	Jannie	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Malaysia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate is (...) versed in the Bill of Human Rights and the five main Human Rights Convention, particularly on articles relating to Indigenous peoples as she has been giving Human Rights Training on these instruments, including the UN and indigenous peoples for many years to indigenous representatives. Apart of these she is well-versed in the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, The ILO Conventions and the Convention on Biological Diversity.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has a (...) grasp the UN processes and mandates related to indigenous peoples, including the Treaty bodies having followed some of these processes and having been involved in giving training in the field of human rights since 1986. She also acted as a consultant/resource person to UNDP, ILO and UNESCO on some projects under her competence, thus giving her some understanding on the mandates of such institutions.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Trainer - AIPP Foundation's Human Rights Training and UNDP-Regional Indigenous Peoples Programme (RIPP) 's Human Rights Based Approach  
Participation in a Fact Finding Mission in Malaysia  
Authored several research papers related to human rights  
Developed and continue to check the AIPP's Indigenous Peoples and Human Rights Report

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of the UN Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations where as an expert, she also engage with states on the status of indigenous peoples worldwide. She is also an expert member of the CBD focussing on Traditional Knowledge and on Protected Areas, both focusing issues faced by indigenous peoples in these themes.

Regionally, as the Secretary General of the Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact Foundation, an umbrella body of indigenous organisations and movements in Asia, she looks after a wide number of indigenous issues including human rights through the Programmes and Activities of the organisations. Being this position, she also has the opportunity to visit all the countries to understand their situations. She is also active in coordinating with a range of donors, governments and international indigenous caucuses/bodies like the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity and the Indigenous Peoples Caucus.

At the national level, the candidate has been working (...) through her local organisation, PACOS TRUST and the Indigenous Peoples Network of Malaysia to promote the recognition of indigenous rights. The work of the organisation is well-respected by the government, donors and communities.

## Candidate Information : LAURENCE, Charlotte

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LAURENCE	<b>First Name</b>	Charlotte	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Guinea	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the CEDAW convention, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the Convention Against Torture

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate (...) is actually working for UNDP CO Guinea as Governance Programme Advisor. The area of Human Rights is in (her) portfolio. She has knowledge of some institutional mandates but also keeps learning about them.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate has been working for UNDP since 2002, she has experience in (...) economic, social and cultural rights particularly for the most vulnerable, children and women with handicap. She is a member of civil society organisations.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2002- 2008: in charge of the Governance Programme, UNDP, Conakry, Guinea
- 1993- present: Legal Consultant for the Ministry of Justice, Guinea
- 1987- 2002: Laurence & Associates, Law Office, Conakry, Guinea

The candidate (...) worked for almost 15 years as a lawyer with rural NGOs in the field of human rights protection (civil, gender-based violence). (She) worked with Terre des Hommes, a Swiss organization in child protection. (She) also worked with ASWAR Guinea an NGO which works with prisoners nationwide in Guinea. (She) is very interested with the questions of disability. In (her) country they are among the most vulnerable groups. The candidate published articles in magazines on women's rights, women and employment, education.

## Candidate Information : LEHMANN, Tyge

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LEHMANN	<b>First Name</b>	Tyge	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Denmark	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidat, has in his capacity as Ambassador for Human Rights been:

- 1993: Head of Delegation to the World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna
- 2001: Head of delegation of the World Conference against Racism, Durban
- 1981-1994: Agent of the Government of Denmark in cases before the Human Rights Organs in Strasbourg
- 1996-1998: Danish representative in the United Nation's Commission on Human Rights, during Denmark's membership
- Head of the delegation to numerous meetings before the various Treaty Bodies on Human Rights presenting the reports of the Danish Government

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate was assigned to the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations in Geneva (1974-1977). The candidate was also the Danish Representative at the Sixth (Legal) Committee of the United Nations General Assembly (1982-2001) and the Chairman of the Committee in 1995.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate also has experience as a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague, and as an agent before the International Court of Justice in the Jan Mayen Case (1988-1993) and The Great Belt Case (1991-1992).

1974-1977: Legal Adviser of the Danish delegation to the Diplomatic Conference on Humanitarian Law during Armed Conflicts; Geneva

1968-1994: Director of Legal Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1977-1991: Assistant Professor of the International Law and European Community Law at the University of Copenhagen

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

2002-2007: Ambassador for Human Rights & Senior legal Adviser; Copenhagen, Denmark  
1965-2007: Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Copenhagen, Denmark

The candidate has been involved in promoting the rights and aspirations of the world's indigenous peoples.

He was instrumental in creating the Permanent Forum on indigenous issues in New York and played a (...) role in securing the adoption of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples- Furthermore, he promoted the case for proclaiming the 2nd Decade of the world's indigenous peoples.

The candidate retired last year and has no longer any affiliations to the Danish Foreign Service. However, he is still active in his own personal capacity in promoting the rights and aspirations of the world's indigenous peoples.

The candidate is co-author of Danish textbooks on International Law (1976, 1984, 1989) and the author of several articles in Nordic Journal of International Law.



## Candidate Information : LEON ALVARADO, Juan

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### Personal data

Family Name	LEON ALVARADO	First Name	Juan	Gender	M
Nationality	Guatemala	Indigenous Origin	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate was a human rights defender in his country since the 80's and acquired a specialized knowledge of the UDHR. Since 1984, he worked for the UN, with the Working Group on Indigenous Populations on a draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples. Then he participated in the Inter-sessional Working Group on the Draft United Nations Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples as a member of indigenous organizations of Guatemala and participated as a governmental representative in the negotiations on the Declaration adopted by the GA in September 2007 (...)

In these processes the candidate applied his theoretical and practical knowledge of International human Rights norms and instruments.

He developed knowledge working also within the Organization of American States where the candidate was President of the Working Group on the proposed American declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

He has knowledge of the special rapporteurs, especially the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people; the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; the special procedures in general, the thematic and country mandates. He has knowledge of the UN and Inter-American system.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

He has practical knowledge of the promotion and protection of human rights and working experience in the promotion of the rights of the Maya people and other indigenous people in Guatemala. He participated with proposals in the discussion between Mayan leaders, on the Agreement on Identity and Rights of the Mayan People, that later became the Agreement on Identity and Rights of the Indigenous People. He defined a plan and program for COPMAGUA in application of the AIDPI. This plan began in 1996 and finished in 2000. He was the main promoter for the creation and impulse of: "Tzujnel, Tob'nel, K'astajnel", an organization dealing with the rights of the Indigenous people in Guatemala and internationally.

He worked in the field of training and education on human rights and indigenous rights at the local, national and international level and was invited to some countries to work on these issues.

At the international level, he contributed to the formulation of political proposals on indigenous issues by means of diplomatic work, lobbying, negotiation and agreements within the framework of United Nations, the Organization of American States, as well as other forums.

He participated in the process of negotiation with representatives of intergovernmental instances like the ILO, OHCHR, WIPO, the UN Commission of Human Rights and other forums on the Indigenous peoples, where he participated to the negotiation and consensus around the draft declaration on the rights of Indigenous Peoples.

The candidate received a price from the UN in July 2001 for his contribution in the negotiations and his lobbying for the promotion and defense of the rights of indigenous peoples at the United Nations.

He has taken part in interviews, publications, press conferences, bulletins and the formulation of proposals on the States' public policies on Indigenous peoples and the social and political progressive movement for the States' recognition and guarantee of the rights of those marginalized and discriminated peoples.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

2007-2008: Ambassador of Guatemala in Ecuador

2003-2007: Substitute Ambassador at the OAS, Washington D.C., USA

2003-2006: Representative of Guatemala for the negotiations on the draft UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in the Human Rights Commission and Human Rights Council

2004-2007: President of the Working Group on the draft Inter-American declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples of the OAS. Directed 8 negotiation meetings between representatives of indigenous peoples and member states, Washington D.C., USA

## Candidate Information : LITTLECHILD, Wilton

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LITTLECHILD	<b>First Name</b>	Wilton	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate (...) has worked with the International Covenants on Civil and Political Rights, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and the International Convention on the Rights of the Child.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate (...) has been on the drafting teams of the ILO Convention 169, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as well as the OAS proposed Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Denver Text and 1997 OAS text)

Since 1977, as Member of the First Indigenous delegation to the United Nations; the candidate attended over 100 hundred international meetings in 27 countries as a delegate, legal counsel for the Four Nations of the Maskwacis Cree. Participation includes preparations and presentations of interventions to Working Groups, Prep-Coms, Seminars, Meetings of Experts, the U.N. Sub-Commissions on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, the Commission on Human Rights and E.C.O.S.O.C.

The candidate attended (...) World Conferences on issues of concern to Indigenous Peoples; for example:

- Keynote address to World Food Summit in Rome [1996]
- Keynote address to World Health Organization's First Global Consultation on Indigenous Health [1999] [after meeting with secretary General Gro Harlem Brundtland to call for World Conference]
- Speaker at the World Forum for Youth [Lisbon, 1998]
- Delegate to two (2) Roundtables on Indigenous Intellectual Property and Traditional Knowledge at W.I.P.O. [Geneva 1999, 2000]
- Delegate to World Conference on Human Rights [Vienna 1993]
- Delegate to U.N.E.S.C.O. Meeting on Indigenous Peoples [Paris]
- Delegate to World Millennium Conference [New York 2000]
- Delegate to Second International Conference on Cultural Diversity [Lucerne, Switzerland 2001]
- Chairing the International Conference on the Rights of Indigenous Children [Geneva, 1000, 2003, 2004]
- Keynote address to Committee on the Rights of the Child at Geneva on Special Day for Indigenous Children [ September 19, 2003]
- Keynote address at the U.N. Administration of Justice of Indigenous Peoples [Madrid, Spain, November 2003]
- Keynote address at World Conference on Indigenous Languages [Japan 2005]

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

In 1977, the candidate chaired the World Council of Indigenous Peoples [W.C.I.P] Session in Kiruna, Sweden on I.L.O. Convention 107.

He later led the delegation to Geneva to meet with I.L.O. He was the Executive to argue for amendments to I.L.O. Convention 107 [1983].

The candidate chaired the Indigenous Working Group of Canada to coordinate proposal for amendments.

He attended as official delegate the General Assembly and meetings to draft I.L.O. Convention 169 [1988].

The candidate was one of (...) two Indigenous experts re-appointed by ECOSOC President to serve on UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (two 3 year terms);

He chaired the Working Group to consolidate the Indigenous Draft of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [W.C.I.P. at Panama and W.G.I.P. at Geneva]

He proposed themes at W.G.I.P. on Children and Youth; Economic Development

Since 1982 he participated at W.G.I.P. on the Draft Declaration and at all Inter-Sessional Working Groups to date to argue for current U.N. Declaration

He was appointed First Indigenous Special Rapporteur and Chairman to the Geneva Meetings [Dec 2001]

The candidate participated in lobby for Resolution on U.N. Treaty Study. Assisted Special Rapporteur on provision of legal evidence and other documentation for review on Treaty No. 6 as

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it was selected for specific reference. He monitored throughout the U.N. Treaty Study and hosted Professor Miguel Alfonso Martinez to meet with the Elders, Members and Leaders of the Regional Alberta of First Nations Treaties on 3 occasions leading up to the Final Report.

He was appointed Chairman and Special Rapporteur at the U.N. Experts Seminar on the Treaty Study Final Report, Geneva [Dec 2003]  
He hosted and coordinated the second UN Expert Seminar on treaties, first historic UN meeting in Indigenous Treaty Territory

He chaired the Indigenous meeting in Denver, Colorado to draft an alternate text to the proposed Organization of American States [O.A.S.] Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. He was selected by the O.A.S. as one of five experts to review all submissions by States and Indigenous representatives to draft a composite text as on O.A.S. proposal for consultations. He co-chaired the Indigenous Summit to seek full and direct participation by Indigenous Peoples at subsequent O.A.S. meetings to consider the proposed draft. He attended two subsequent Expert Committee meetings in Washington, D.C. as work in progress.

The candidate coordinated as host and chairman, Her Excellency Mary Robinson, the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights' visit with the Maskwacis Cree in Treaty No. 6 Territory and Canada.

## Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate had a law firm from 1977 to 1984  
The candidate was the First Treaty Indian elected to the 34th House of Commons of the Canadian Parliament, he served on several senior committees from 1988 to 1993:  
-Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs  
-Special Committee on Canadian Security and Intelligence Service [C.S.I.S]  
-Special Joint Committee on Constitution [Beaudoin-Edwards]  
-Joint Senate and House Committee on Constitution [Beaudoin-Dobbie]  
-Sub-Committee for Health on National Sports and Fitness  
-Standing Committee on Energy  
-Vice Chairman of Justice and Solicitor General's Committee  
-Legislative Committees [All Reports of these Committees available at House of Commons Library]  
-Parliamentary delegate to the United Nations in Geneva and New York [34th Parliament]  
-Appointed Chairman of the Commission on First Nations, Métis and Justice Reform Commission in Saskatchewan [2002]

As a Member of Parliament, the candidate served on the Indigenous Parliament of the Americas [1988-1993] as Vice-President.

He was a legal team member for the lawsuit in the British High Courts at London, England to prevent partition of the Canadian Constitution until the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights were protected and entrenched in the Constitution [1980-81].

The candidate (...) was a Founding Member of the Indigenous Initiative for Peace with Nobel Laureate Rigoberta Menchu-Tum, and Co-chaired Summits in Guatemala and Mexico which endorsed the Indigenous Decade and an Independent Tribunal proposal [1993-94].  
He was elected UNPF member for six years (two terms), Chairperson Rapporteur and independent expert on many UN Seminars, Co-chair of several UN meetings on Indigenous issues, Keynote address to World Conference on Food, World Health Organization, World Intellectual Property Organization on Indigenous Issues, including Committee on the Rights of the Child

The candidate received the following awards:

-First Indigenous person appointed to Queen's Council by Alberta Law Society [1996]  
-American Biographical Institute Distinguished Leadership Award for Law  
-Canadian Bar Association and Alberta Law Society Distinguished Service Award for contributions to community [1997]  
-First inductee as Member of Indigenous Peoples Counsel by the Indigenous Bar Association [2000]  
-Recognized with Canada 125 Medal by Governor General Ray Hnatyshyn [1993] for contributions as Member of Parliament  
-Received the Canadian Parliamentary, Saskatchewan and Alberta Distinguished Service Awards

## Candidate Information : LUWA MALAWUKA, Joe

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LUWA MALAWUKA	<b>First Name</b>	Joe	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Congo	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of the UN Charter, and the international Charter of human rights (UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR)

The candidate assisted to the following human rights and related issues trainings:

- Training on electoral monitoring organized by the Human Rights Service, United Nations Office in the Central African Republic for Peace consolidation (BONUCA), Bangui, (2003)
- Training by the International Organization of the Francophonie (OIF), Bangui, CAR, (2003)
- Training for National Observers (OIF, BONUCA and CEMI), (2003)
- Training for Observers of the constitutional referendum for presidential and legislative elections, Bangui, CAR, (2003)
- Training on human rights (BONUCA), (2004)
- Training on integration and reinsertion of street children into their families, organized by UNFPA, UNICEF, Ministry for Social Affairs, Kinshasa, (2005)
- Training on the protection of Indigenous peoples' rights organized by the COOPI, BONUCA, CARITAS Centrafrique, ( 2006)
- Training on women's rights protection, United Nations Mission in the DRC (MONUC), (2006)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has (...) assisted to several trainings organized by the United Nations, its peace-keeping missions in Central Africa, the International Organization of the Francophonie, and he participated to regional conferences in Africa

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate (...) has competence in the field of human rights and works in different areas including the promotion and protection of the pygmy aka people in the Central African Republic. He was chosen in 2006 to raise the issue of Indigenous peoples in Central Africa and organize activities in different countries to fight against discrimination of Indigenous peoples, women and children

The candidate has been working for the Movement of African Volunteers for Development (MVAD) for 7 years (...)

He participated to the following:

- 2003: Participation to the first Central African Social Forum organized by the Central African League for Human Rights
- 2003: Seminar on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights organized by OZADO, Kinshasa, DRC
- 2005 : Training workshop on capacity-building for micro financing organized by the European Union, Bangui
- 2005: Training on the improvement of actions for the fight against discrimination of minorities (Pygmy AKA) and the evaluation of their socio-cultural identity organized by the Italian NGO International Cooperation (COOPI)
- 2006: Sub regional workshop on the involvement of the network of Indigenous peoples of Central Africa (REPALEAC) in the management of forests' ecosystems in Central Africa, Kinshasa, DRC
- 2005 : Training on reforestation, Fight against poverty, organized by the UNDP and the FAO
- 2005: Participation to the sensitization on the Pygmy AKA people's rights in the Lobaye region and in the south with the support of BONUCA
- 2006 : Training workshop on capacity building to prevent the propagation of HIV/AIDS

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2001: NGO "ASBL/MV" movement of African volunteers for the development in DRC
- 2002: NGO "MVAD", Bangui, Central Africa
- 2002-2008: NGO « MVAD », DRC

The candidate (...) has competence at the national and regional level as he worked in the field on minority issues

He was chosen in 2006 to raise the issue of Indigenous peoples in Central Africa and organize

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activities in different countries to fight against discrimination of Indigenous peoples, women and children

## Candidate Information : LYNGE, Aqqaluk

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	LYNGE	<b>First Name</b>	Aqqaluk	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Denmark			<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate (...) has knowledge of international human rights instruments, norms, and principles. Through his work with the Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC), he led a human rights case on behalf of the Inughuit tribe in northern Greenland and played the role of their central advocate and chief advisor. He worked closely with international legal counsel, developing strategy in addressing the matter of the Inughuit's forced relocation in 1953, both in domestic courts in Denmark (...), such as Denmark's high court and its supreme court, and in international human rights jurisdictions. International organisations included, among others, the International Labour Organisation (and Convention 169 on the rights of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples), and the UN Human Rights Commission's Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD). Also, after the ruling by the Supreme Court of Denmark (which agreed the relocation was done against the will of the Inughuit, yet little compensation was offered, and no right to return was given), Mr. Lyngé became a chief advisor on taking the matter to the European Human Rights Commission.

The candidate (...) has lectured in (...) various places international human rights instruments, norms and principles, most notably at the Greenland-based International Training Center of Indigenous Peoples (ITCIP), among others.

Mr. Lyngé has other knowledge of rights related to indigenous subsistence rights such as at the International Whaling Commission, North Atlantic Marine Mammal Commission (NAMMCO), and was a chief advisor on matters of the indigenous rights to trade, barter, and sell traditional products across traditional indigenous territories and into the USA (and therefore (...) has knowledge about the amending process of the USA Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), and of which he was partially responsible for changing.

In Greenland, The candidate (...) volunteers (...), works with indigenous authors, is past president and recently vice-president of the Greenland Writers' Association where he promoted the matters of indigenous copyright law. He promotes this issue regularly internationally, including at the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), among others.

As a member of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) for three years, Mr. Lyngé became (...)familiar with all UN agencies and their respective human rights instruments, norms and principles, as these agencies were regularly asked to attend UNPFII sessions, and they interacted with them inter-sessionally as well.

The candidate (...) in his capacity as Inuit Circumpolar Council Executive Council Member (...) promoted the position that climate change impacts on indigenous peoples was a human rights matter. He, in fact, supported strongly the petition in 2006 filed by the Inuit Circumpolar Council Chair at the Inter-American Human Rights Commission, where a hearing was held.

He is (...) familiar with the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which was passed by the UN General Assembly in September 2007. Not only was Mr. Lyngé a key player in the 24-year long negotiations, drafting process, and lobbying and diplomatic efforts, he also played a strong mediation role among indigenous peoples during this decades-long process.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has (...) knowledge of the mandates of the European Human Rights Commission, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, the former UN Human Rights Commission and the current UN Human Rights Council, the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the International Labour Organisation Convention 169, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, and various other bodies related to indigenous peoples.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

As Chair of the Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) for 6 years, as ICC executive council member for more than 20 years, as member of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues for 3 years, including one year as Vice-Chair of the Permanent Forum, as Chief Advisor to Hingitaq 53 (the group formed to address their forced relocation in northern Greenland to make way for a USA Air base), as member for 3 years of the Greenland-Danish self-government commissions special review committee on international and constitutional law and international human rights matters, as a special guest lecturer at the International Training Center of Indigenous Peoples (ITCIP) where international human rights instruments, norms, and principles are the core curriculum, as

## Candidate Information : LYNGE, Aqqaluk

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an advisory board member of ITCIP, and many other related positions, the candidate has gained (...) experience in the field of human rights. Throughout the 1980s, Mr. Lyngé fought for the human rights of indigenous peoples in the former Soviet Union. He travelled to the former Soviet Union (...) for example, for the inclusion of the Siberian Yupik (or Inuit) in to the Inuit Circumpolar Council.

### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1983- 2005: Greenland Parliament, Greenland
- 1984-1988: Minister for Social Affairs, Greenland government
- 1980- present: Executive and President of ICC
- 2005- 2007: UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

The candidate (...) is recognized (...) as an (...) international human rights practitioner on several fronts. He is also recognized in his home country of Greenland and in Denmark, with whom Greenland is still associated through a self-government process, which he was a central player in negotiating (and continues to play a role). He was named member of the Danish-Greenland Self-government commission. He was member of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, nominated by the Arctic indigenous peoples organisations. He was named to the advisory board of the International Training Center of Indigenous Peoples (ITCIP), which focuses on international human rights instruments. He is a regular international speaker in media, in bodies such as UNESCO and others. He is a member of the Danish Order for his work in the human rights field and the Greenland Homerule Governments Award (...)

## Candidate Information : MANTSANGA, Alexis

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MANTSANGA	<b>First Name</b>	Alexis	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Congo	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of international and regional human rights instruments (European convention on human rights, African charter of human rights, Arab charter of human rights) and knowledge of national mechanisms for the protection of human rights in Congo and in Central African States

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate is a lawyer, he has knowledge of mandates, activities, purposes of the various UN institutions, especially the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Human Rights Committee, and the International Labour Organisation and also of the regional courts and mechanisms.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-1999- present: Administrative and legal assistant, Egalité et développement, NGO defending and protection Indigenous peoples' rights, République du Congo  
-2000- present : Member of the NGO international coalition for the International Criminal Court  
-2002- present : Executive secretary, Congolese association for the diffusion of international humanitarian law  
-2006- present: Consultant and legal analyst, National Chamber of bailiffs, Brazzaville, République du Congo  
-2002- 2005 : Legal assistant of Maître Annick MONGO, lawyer at the International criminal tribunal for Rwanda and at the International Criminal Court, Brazzaville, République du Congo  
-2002- 2004: Legal assistant of Senator Pierre NZE (Vice-president of the foreign affairs and cooperation Commission).

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2007: Intern with Maître Xavier Keita, International criminal court, The Hague, Netherlands  
-2006- present: Consultant and legal analyst, National Chamber of bailiffs, Brazzaville, République du Congo  
-2002- 2005 : Legal assistant of Maître Annick MONGO, Brazzaville, République du Congo  
-2002- 2004: Legal assistant of Senator Pierre NZE (Vice-president of the foreign affairs and cooperation Commission).

The candidate has knowledge of human rights instruments; he is recognized at the national level as he took part to the elaboration of national mechanisms for the protection of human rights, for the recognition of Pygmy peoples of Congo and for the protection of children and women's rights. He participated to the campaign for ratification of the Rome statute and the elaboration of a national implementation law in Congo.  
At the international level, he participated in 2006 to the training organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights at the Université de Bourgogne, France, at the Office's headquarters in Geneva, at the ILO and at UNESCO, Paris.  
He undertook a 6months internship at the International Criminal Court.



## Candidate Information : MOLINTAS, Jose

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MOLINTAS	<b>First Name</b>	Jose	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Philippines	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

"As chairperson and member of the Cordillera Peoples Alliance (CPA), he attended UN Working Group Meetings and worked with the Saami Council doing training on the UN Human Rights Processes for Asian Indigenous Peoples"

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

"He is often the resource speaker for Indigenous Peoples Organizations and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) on UN Processes"  
As Chairperson of the Cordillera Peoples Alliance, the candidate participated to UN meetings of the working groups drafting and elaborating the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as well as the creation of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Legal Aid Volunteer Lawyer under the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Legal Aid Committee (1987 to present)
- Developmental Legal Aid Program (DLAP) Coordinator of the Baguio-Benguet Chapter of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP), 1991 to 1995
- Volunteer Lawyer of the Free Legal Assistance Group (FLAG), Protestant Lawyers League of the Philippines (PLL), Task Force Detainees of the Philippines (TDFP) in 1989 represented political prisoners before judicial bodies
- Legal Area Manager, Legal Assistance Center for Indigenous Filipinos (PANLIPI) since 1990 providing legal assistance to Filipino Indigenous Peoples
- Vice President for Luzon, National Union of Peoples Lawyers (NUPL) which is lobbying for remedies against extrajudicial killings in the Philippines, 2007 to present
- As Elected COUNCILOR of the City of Baguio, 2004 to 2007, he was Chairman of the Committee on Human rights, Justice, peace, public protection and safety, peace and order
  
- As Chairman or Member of CPA or DINTEG, he attended the following meetings:
  - UN Working group on Indigenous Populations (UNWGIP), United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland, 1994 and 1995 Meetings
  - UN Commission on Human Rights (UNCHR) open-ended inter-sessional Working Group on the draft declaration on the rights of Indigenous Peoples, United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland, October 1995 to November 2002
  - UN Commission on sustainable development (UNCSD), United Nations, New York, USA, 1995
  - UN experts seminar on indigenous land rights and claims, Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada, March 1996
  - Attended Asian and regional seminars and conferences on the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, UN Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Asian Development Bank on indigenous policy, in Various Asian Countries
  - UN Working Group on the establishment of a Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland, February 2000
  - visited and studied Canadian first nations territories and did sharing of Filipino experience at Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, and Vancouver, Canada, 1995
  - Regional preparatory meeting for the Durban World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, Tehran, Iran, 2003
  - UN Working Group on the draft Declaration on the Rights Of Indigenous Peoples (UNWGDD), United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland, November - December 2004

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 2007: Vice president for Luzon, National Union of Peoples Lawyers (NUPL)
- 1999-2001: Instructor, College of Law, La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines
- 1987-present: Legal Aid lawyer, Human Rights lawyer, Molintas and partners Law Offices
- 1996- present: Executive Director, Benguet Peoples Development Foundation, Inc. (Publication of a community paper called "Cordillera Today" which published UN Processes and HR Declarations)
- 1996- 1998: Protestant Lawyers League of the Philippines (PLL)
- 1995- present: Co-founder and chairperson of the Cordillera Indigenous Peoples Center

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(DINTEG)

- 1991- 1995: Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Developmental Legal Aid Program (DLAP)
- 1990- present: Legal area manager, Legal Assistance Center for Indigenous Filipinos (PANLIPI) on Filipino Indigenous Peoples Rights including lobbying for the passage of the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA)
- 1989- present: Free Legal Assistance Group (FLAG) (Trainings on rights of HR workers, urban poor, labor, and environmental law)
- 1989- present: Cordillera Peoples Alliance (CPA, chairperson of CPA from 1995 to 1997)
- 1987- present: Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Legal Aid Committee

The candidate is the chairperson of the Board of Directors of the DINTEG-Cordillera Indigenous Peoples Legal Center

"He worked with Filipino NGOs and the Saami Council, organizing training and training Indigenous Peoples on Human Rights and UN Processes in the Philippines and Asia (Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand) so that Asian Indigenous may fully participate in the drafting of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples' Issues"

As Chairperson of the Cordillera Peoples Alliance, the candidate participated to UN meetings of the working groups drafting and elaborating the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as well as the creation of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

He is a member of the Ibaloi indigenous community within the Cordillera Region, north of the Philippines, and has experience (...) in promoting and protecting indigenous peoples' rights in in the Philippines and Asian region

As a lawyer he has represented victims of human rights abuses mostly indigenous litigants, he has stood for human rights and indigenous peoples' rights (...)

He was elected Vice President for the Luzon group of Islands in the Philippines of the newly created National Union of Peoples Lawyers. Having an indigenous expert in the UN with (...) practice in a militarized situation will bring closer the urgent concerns of indigenous peoples in Asia and have it addressed at the international community level

He also has experience in local governance, he was elected as a City Coucilor in Baguio City in 2004-2007 where he chaired the Committee on Human Rights, Justice, Public Protection and safety, Peace and Order

## Candidate Information : MORALES MORALES, Jose Carlos

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MORALES MORALES	<b>First Name</b>	Jose Carlos	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Costa Rica	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The international bill of human Rights, the ICCPR, the ICESCR, Resolution 5/1 of the Human Rights Council, the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Decisions of the Human Rights Committee, the CEDAW, the CRC, the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and ILO convention 169.  
At the regional level, the American Declaration on Rights and Duties of Man , the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court on Human Rights, the Protocol of San Salvador: Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the Awas case, Tingni case, Saramaka case, Surinam case etc...

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The Inter-American system, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the African Commission on Human and Peoples' rights, the European Convention on Human Rights, the OHCHR  
He participated to:  
the Working Group on Indigenous Populations in Geneva from 1982 to 1984 and 1995 to 1998  
the Working Group on the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples from 2000 to 2007  
the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from 2002 to 2004  
Regional meeting on Health for Indigenous people, OPS/OMS, Guatemala, 1994  
Experts Workshop on Cooperation for Development, European Commission for Indigenous people, Brussels, Belgium, 1998

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

For 45 years, the candidate worked in the field of human rights protection and promotion, especially Indigenous peoples' rights.  
He followed up for 23 years the elaboration of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, until its approval by the Human Rights Council on 29 June 2006 and by the General Assembly on 13 September 2007.  
He is still working for the elaboration of an American Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples by the Organization of American States, he is as a member of the Special Fund of the OAS  
He assisted to workshops with indigenous peoples in Costa Rica, Panamá and Bolivia and implications of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.  
He is currently delegate for the elaboration of a law on autonomous development of indigenous peoples of Costa Rica.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- Bank of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica
- 1985- 1993: Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, IIDH, San Jose, Costa Rica y las Américas
- 1995- 1998: Punto Focal, Decenio Internacional Pueblos Indígenas del Mundo, Oficina Alto Comisionado de los Derechos Humanos, Ginebra, Suiza.
- 1998- 2005: Miembro Junta Síndicos, Fondo Voluntario ONU para los Pueblos Indígenas del Mundo, Ginebra, Suiza
- President of the World Council of Indigenous Peoples, CMPI, Ottawa, Canada

At the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, IIDH, Costa Rica, he was responsible for the programme on human rights and indigenous rights from 1985 a 1993.  
For 3 years he was focal point at the OHCHR for the first International Decade of the World's Indigenous People.  
He is a Founder member of the Commission of Human Rights of Costa Rica (CODEU). He was president of the World Council of Indigenous Peoples (CMPI) from 81 to 84 especially for the promotion of the inclusion of indigenous rights in international human rights law  
He was Founder and president of the National Commission on Indigenous Issues of Costa Rica (CONAI) from 1975 to 1979

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He is President and founder of the indigenous organization "Kus-Kurá Sociedad Civil-Costa Rica"

## Candidate Information : MORALES, ASCARIO

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MORALES	<b>First Name</b>	ASCARIO	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Panama	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Universal Declaration of Human Rights, ICCPR, ICESCR,  
UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (...)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

-OHCHR  
-Inter- American Commission on Human Rights  
-Inter-American Court of Human Rights  
- United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders  
-Development programm for Displaced persons, Refugees and Returnees in Central America, (PRODERE)  
- UNDP

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate worked as a solicitor defending indigenous peoples, indigenous congresses and organizations

He participated to the following:

-1985: Representative of the Panamean Parliament at the Indigenous Parliament of America, celebrated in Tegucigalpa, Honduras,  
-1991: International seminar "Amerindia hacia el tercer milenio", San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas, Ciudad de Méjico, Distrito Federal  
-1990: Inter- American Institute for Human Rights, Workshops on criminal justice administration and indigenous people, San José, Costa Rica,  
-1993: Symposium Indo-Latin American on the strengthening of human rights of Indigenous peoples, Distrito de Tlahuilotepic Mixe, Oaxaca, Méjico  
-2006: Presentation on decentralization and its incompatibility with indigenous peoples' rights  
-2003: Workshop on the elaboration of a strategic plan in Kuna Yala, Partido Revolucionario Democrático de Panamá  
-2006: Workshop on training to Ecoturism, Kuna yala, organized by the General Congress Kuna and the combined hispano-panamean fund for cooperation  
-2007: VIth International seminar: Democratization, decentralization and concertation in local governments Trujillo-Perú

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1980- 1990: Legal Advisor of the Kuna General Congress, Panamá, Comarca Kuna Yala  
-1990- 1994: Director of the Legal Consultancy Centre of Indigenous people, Panamá, República de Panamá.  
-1994- 2000: Solicitor of the Commission on Indigenous Affairs of the Panamean Parliament  
  
-Solicitor and Director of the Legal Consultancy Centre of Indigenous People of Panama  
-Lawyer at the Kuna General Congress  
-Member and representative of Indigenous people at the nacional negotiations for development in the UN system, organized by Panama

## Candidate Information : MOREIRA, Manuel

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MOREIRA	<b>First Name</b>	Manuel	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Argentina	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

His professional life is oriented on law, in a legislative, academic and judicial field (...)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate's specialization is oriented on international human rights instruments, and also indigenous rights: He participated, organized and gave courses related to human rights.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

He organized and directed work for the CEDEAD on the defence of Indigenous rights, gave courses on discrimination, investigated on books and journals specialized in the issue. Coordination of a free legal consultancy for indigenous Mbya guaraní (...)

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1973: Advisor, Argentinean Senate  
1979: Secretary of the 1st instance criminal tribunal Sec  
1979-1982: Professor of Politics and Law and Professor of criminal proceedings  
1983: Public prosecutor in a provincial court (2da Cir. Jud.)  
1984- 1993: Judge  
1990- 2000: Professor, General theory of State, Univ. Católica de Santa Fe  
1999: Juror  
2005 y 2006: member of the national jury for judges  
President of the Centre of Antropology and Law, (CEDEAD, Centro de estudios en Antropología y Derecho).

working experience with CEDEAD, with a multidisciplinary team, belonging also to different networks (INADI, the "Red de operadores de justicia de Derechos de los Pueblos Indígenas"), coordinated by the Secretariat for Human Rights of the Minsitry of Justice

## Candidate Information : MUNDA, Ram

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	MUNDA	<b>First Name</b>	Ram	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	India	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Candidate is (...) versed in the International Bill on Human Rights, relevant core treaties and their optional protocols, declarations including the Declaration on the Rights of Minorities and the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. He is also (...) acquainted with the Special and Thematic Mechanisms of the Council as well those responsible to the UN Secretary-General. Candidate is also (...)versed in the regional human rights instruments and standards, including those of the American, African and European regions. He is further acquainted with the ILO and UNESCO treaties.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Candidate has been attending regular meetings of the Sub-Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, its Working Group on Indigenous Populations, the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. He is closely associated with the ILO and its work at the national level.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Indigenous Peoples' Rights: Candidate has participated actively in the drafting of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Candidate was also actively involved in the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. (...) he has (...) studied and explored the wide range of rights elaborated regarding the indigenous peoples, including civil and political rights, the right to development, and collective rights.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

2001: Visiting Professor, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies.  
1996: Visiting Professor, Syracuse University, New York.  
1986-1988: Vice-Chancellor, Ranchi University.  
1985-1986: Pro Vice-Chancellor, Ranchi University.  
1983: Visiting Professor, Australia National University, Canberra.  
1981-1999: University Professor, Tribal and Regional Languages, Ranchi University.  
1970-1981: Assistant Professor- Associate Professor, South Asian Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis  
1963-1970: Research Assistant, South Asian Language and Civilization, University of Chicago.

The candidate has mentioned his participation in 14 international meetings and conferences, and 49 publications.

The submitting party has highlighted the following is a non-exhaustive but indicative list of professional activities:

- Committee on Jharkhand Matters, Government of India, 1989-95.National Education Policy Review Committee, 1990
- Steering Group, Planning Commission of India, 1996-2000
- Expert Committee, National Commission on Women, 1997-2000
- National Advisory Board, International Labour Organization (ILO), 1997-2000
- Standing Committee on Human Rights Education, University Grant Commission, 1998-2001
- National Committee for Promotion for Social & Economic Welfare, 1998-2001
- Working Group on Empowerment of Scheduled Tribes, Planning Commission of India, 2000-2005.

## Candidate Information : NAGAN, Winston Percival

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	NAGAN	<b>First Name</b>	Winston Percival	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	South Africa	United States		<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Candidate has (...) scholarly experience, as well as teaching experience. Candidate has also used human rights norms to promote and defend indigenous peoples rights, has helped to draft model bill of rights for local indigenous communities (Shuar, Khoi San). These models are based on international human rights norms. Candidate has drafted amicus curiae briefs, as well as petitions on human rights issues to international fora. Candidate's theoretical scholarship has a focus on the human rights of non-state groups (...)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Candidate has written papers for the UN Committee Against Apartheid as well as having testified before the Committee on aspects of apartheid. Candidate has also promoted human rights through the Inter-American Commission, through consulting on issues of transitional justice, worked with Amnesty International and attended sessions of the Human Rights Commission. Candidate has also attended sessions of the conference of the parties on the Convention on Biodiversity. Candidate is one of the co-founders of the Human Rights and Peace Centre in Makerere, Uganda. Candidate has served as advisor to the Shuar and Khoi San on human rights issues that affect them. Candidate has developed teaching programs in human rights (Cape Town Law Program); Brazil/Florida program, and consulted on technical human rights issues requiring clarification of international law under the Charter. Presentation, UN Conference Organized Crime (Palermo, Italy). Candidate has taught short courses in human rights in Asmara, Eritrea, Makerere Uganda, Cape Town, South Africa, University of Warsaw, Poland, Inter-University for Post Graduate Studies, Dubrovnik, Peace Conferences in Opatija and Sarajevo and consultant European Union Conference also in Opatija, Croatia, lectures European University, Bulgaria, Oxford University.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Candidate has summarized experience from application submitted previously to the Council. (Special Rapporteur).

The candidate grew up in South Africa when the system of apartheid was being aggressively imposed and sustained by state violence. His teachers and close family friends were all active in the anti-apartheid struggle at that time. One of his teachers, a survivor of a Special Branch shooting, and confinement at Robben Island, was his mentor and later, close friend and compatriot. In high school he was a courier delivering discrete communications to such figures as Christopher Gell and John Sutherland. The former was a journalist who lived in an iron lung and who emerged to write letters exposing apartheid human rights violations. He was a man of immense courage and hope and he inspired the candidate. John Sutherland was the Editor of the Evening Post and a staunch anti-apartheid newspaper man. He later took the candidate under his wing as a young writer. Later when the candidate attended the University of Fort Hare, he was an underground reporter for the Evening Post covering detentions, torture, and other human rights violations. Thus, his main experience was initiated in practice.

He worked underground at the University of Fort Hare and reported on human rights violations done by the Security Police to the Evening Post. During this time he was one of the leaders responsible for initiating a legal defense program (The Students Political Freedom Fund) for student political prisoners. This was later broadened to include all political prisoners. With other leaders they also initiated a prison education scheme for student political prisoners, later broadened to include all political prisoners.

He was forced into political exile from South Africa in 1964. He received a scholarship to Oxford. He continued activism in Human Rights and anti-apartheid activity. He was Chair of the Oxford University Joint Action Committee against racial intolerance; Chair, National Union of South African Students Overseas Committee. In addition, He worked at raising scholarships for refugees, as well as funding for political prisoner education in South Africa (distance education). After completing legal training in Oxford, he received a scholarship to study in the U.S. In the US, he served on the Board of the Defense and Aid Fund for Southern Africa (U.S. branch). He also served as Secretary of the International Campaign against Racism in Sports. He testified before the UN on apartheid in sports. We also pressured the International Olympic Committee (Avery Brundige) to purge the Olympic movement of racism. Later, he was elected to the Board of Directors, Amnesty International USA (Chair). He led the campaign to prevent execution of the Sharpeville Six (UN document distributed worldwide: judicial executions and the Sharpeville Six). He also led the campaign (as Chair of the Amnesty International) to successfully secure the advice and consent of the Senate to the ratification of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. As the Chair of Amnesty, He developed the political strategy by which we could influence the Administration and the Senate Foreign



## Candidate Information : NAGAN, Winston Percival

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Relations Committee in moving it toward a successful conclusion. The advice and consent of this Human Rights Treaty was only the second Human Rights Treaty in U.S. history. They were able to build on this initial success by jump starting the process by which the advice and consent of the Senate could be given to the Convention on Civil and Political Rights and the Convention on Racial Discrimination. The success of these initiatives was an important education in how to strategically and tactically promote human rights on a global basis. A further aspect of this approach was initiated when he was Chair of Amnesty International (USA) was the use of the symbolic importance of the 40th Anniversary of UDHR. They developed this initiative by promoting the critical value of human rights through music. They promoted concerts to celebrate human rights in every continent. Along with that initiative they distributed copies of the Universal Declaration translated into local languages. He was responsible for promoting the central issue of multilingualism and human rights development as a major component of Amnesty International's global mission. He also worked on the film the Amnesty Files which dealt with a situation of the gratuitous use of torture. The film was aired on TNT.

He also served as Chair of the Institute for Policy Sciences (Yale). In this capacity, he organized periodic workshops for bringing human rights perspectives into the focus of different academic disciplines (interdisciplinary), as well as diverse professional associations. The particular focus was to see the role of leadership and decision-making in the promotion and defense of human rights. Such an approach underlined the importance of context for human rights work to better appreciate its social consequences and political implications. As indicated, he had an important role in the adoption of important human rights instruments mentioned above. This underscored the importance of a multitude of skills that give focus and orientation to human rights policy, advocacy and decision making. Leadership in Amnesty and the Policy Sciences permitted an exploration of theoretical difficulties and issues in terms of practicality and applicable human rights solutions. In short, it is a combination of understanding both the theory of human rights, as a theory of activism and intervention. This underlines thinking about human rights in strategic and tactical terms.

During the tragic war in the former Yugoslavia, he was actively involved in the early stages of the conflict on a personal basis. He addressed the Royal Institute for International Affairs, the American University in Cairo, University of Toronto, University of Western Ontario, Waterloo University, University of Cape Town, as well as the University of Leiden, and the Institute for the Interdisciplinary Study of Serious Human Rights Violations (PIOOM), on the specific issue of ethnic conflict, responsibility, and the role of international human rights and humanitarian law. His writings challenged the notion that atrocities done under the veil of allegedly incomprehensible ethnic conflict are immune to human rights accounting. To this end, he clarified the complex problems of conflict and timely intervention to prevent or ameliorate catastrophic human rights tragedies. (A Legal Theory about Group Deprivations," 17 Nat'l Black L. J. 133 (Columbia University).

He organized, with Professor Paul Separovic, former Rector of the University of Zagreb, one of the first conferences touching on war crimes in the Balkans, in conjunction with PEN International, the International Society of the Victimology, and the Croatian Academy of Art and Science. The meeting was held during the war in 1993 in Dubrovnik. He also organized several peace conferences with Professor Ivo Slaus (Club of Rome and World Academy of Art and Science) in Zagreb, Opatija and Sarajevo (former Yugoslavia). He also briefed Ambassador Galbraith on the situation in Croatia. He was then heading a Senate investigation into the region. During one of his visits in the field, he retrieved the affidavits of several hundred women who had been victimized by sexual aggression. Those documents were then passed on to the NGO community for further investigation and action. He joined several Croatian and Bosnian intellectuals in occupying the apartment of a Serbian woman living in Zagreb who was to be evicted from her home because she was a Serb. They visited the home and remained there until the authorities finally determined that such action was a violation of the new provisions of the new Croatian Constitution. He also lectured on the subject of genocide in Sarajevo during the war. That document is on file with the Bosnian Academy.

He has most recently been appointed to the Academic Advisory Board of the Princeton Center for the Prevention of Crimes Against Humanity. He has also been chosen to serve as an international advisor to the Journal of Law and Politics (the free tribune of exchange of views of Russian and foreign scientists on politics, law and social psychology). He is also a co-founder and international board advisor of the East African Journal of Peace and Human Rights.

He has a long standing record of practical work dealing with racism and persecution, particularly in the context of Southern Africa. For the purpose of this application, he notes that South Africa today, as does the international community, accords greater recognition to indigenous communities, such as the Khoi and the San in South Africa. Since he was officially classified as a coloured, he went to schools with people whose racial diversity was rich. In particular, a significant element of the population in the community was of Khoi and San ethnicity and many were of mixed race in which the element of Khoi identity remained important. The struggle against apartheid involved the commitment of the Khoi community, sometimes loosely subsumed in government policy under the labels, "coloured and other coloured." In part, he is a member of this community, although of mixed race. To express what one may be doing "for the Khoi" suggests that one may well be in effect not really a part of this community. He shares greatly the heritage, as well as, the sufferings of the Khoi people, including the people related by human diversity to them (us). Very many members of this community were politically victimized by apartheid and many are martyrs in the struggle for freedom. For the purpose of this application, he has been keenly aware of the current problems of indigenous identity and claims to land, development, and human rights. He has been actively involved in advising some groups, ranging from legal services for others to giving suggestions about how they might improve their human rights situation using certain strategies of development that he has been simultaneously using in the Rainforest of the Amazon. At a more general level, he is the co-founder and one of the principle organizers of the Human Rights and Peace Centre at Makerere University, and serves as the Associate Editor of

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the East African Journal of Peace and Human Rights.

Since 2002, he has served as the political and international advisor of the Shuar nation of the Amazon of the Ecuadorian Rainforest. He also holds the technical title of Procurador Judicial (Abogado Defensor) of the Federacion Interprovincial de Centros Shuar. Active human rights here involved drafting and facilitating adoption by the Grand Assembly of the Shuar of the Bill of Fundamental Human Rights. This was the first such instrument drafted and adopted by an indigenous community in the Americas. Some of his further work includes protection of land and environmental rights (petition before Inter-American Commission), creating legal positions for the defense of traditional knowledge and genetic resources; in particular, the limits and imperfections of intellectual property law. These issues are being developed within the framework of the human rights law of the inter-American system.

He has been involved in pioneering the teaching of human rights and has worked at developing effective strategies for human rights implementation through the non-governmental route. He has been specifically involved in training young leaders for human rights work, especially in Africa, South Africa, and parts of Latin America. To this end, he has organized courses, programs, seminars on various aspects of human rights including human rights theory, human rights and communication, contextualizing human rights issues, human rights and AIDS, as well as litigating human rights in the domestic courts. For example, he has written briefs on the private sector enforcement of human rights violations involving for example, the international wrongs of apartheid. He organized the 50th Jubilee Seminar for Africa of the International Court of Justice. Part of the program dealt with the ICJ and human rights. A particular part of that program dealt with weapons of mass destruction and human rights. He has also participated in and consulted on issues of transitional justice and human rights.

Recently he gave a keynote address and developed a framework for re-evaluating the Colombian Peace and Justice Law. He facilitated curriculum development at Makerere University on the integration of human rights into the general curriculum of the university. He gave a course of lectures covering sovereignty and human rights issues at the University of Asmara, Eritrea. He gave courses of lectures on human rights litigation and activism at the University of Warsaw; the Federal University of Bahia, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, as well as lectures at other universities in Brazil. His most recent contributions to understanding human rights in advancing its theoretical understanding is the recent publication, "Communications Theory and World Public Order: The Anthropomorphic, Jurisprudential Foundations of International Human Rights," 47 Va. J. Int'l L. 725, 2007. This study is directed primarily at the status of non-state groups such as indigenous people in international law. It provides a framework that permits the appropriate legal recognition of the rights including human rights of communities often consigned formally or at least effectively to an international human rights vacuum.

He spent a lifetime on human rights activism, which he has combined with both teaching and impact scholarship. This is a small fraction of the record. It would be tedious to work through the details of all his hands-on experience, the successes, and the failures. We draw your attention to his recent work with the Shuar in Ecuador. The proper understanding of the central issues of survivability and the capacity to effectively adapt and manage the powerful forces that they contend with, both nationally and internationally, requires a hands-on feel for the culture, the community, and the leadership capacity. That feel is utterly meaningless if it is not underscored by trust. If there is no trust, nothing is accomplished. Trust means one must work on the ground and one must, at the same time, work with the ground resources to evolve the critical steps to ensure the future of the people.

A critical component of almost every major human rights issue involving indigenous people is the utter legal complexity of their circumstances and their resources, which of course are essential to survival. The nature of ownership, the fundamentals of land title tenures, the forms of political and juridical identity, the nature of knowledge, and the concept of knowledge as new property, concepts of consultation, ethical access and benefit sharing remain mired in the intellectual mediocrity and inconclusive deliberations to the detriment of indigenous peoples worldwide. These issues are technically difficult and thus, the work, to be successful, in reporting on indigenous peoples' human rights necessarily involves a high degree of legal and juridical expertise and technical social science experience, as well as the tools, the knowledge base, and the strategic and tactical factors in making human rights work for such communities and peoples. To the extent this insight is worth anything, it does not come from formal study. It comes from experience and having the technical tools to deepen the understanding of hands-on experience in order to control and manage these concerns in the common interest of indigenous peoples.

### Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1975-present: Sam T. Dell Research Scholar, Professor of Law, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, United States of America

1993- present: Member, British PEN

1978- present: Professor of Law (tenured), University of Florida College of Law

1989- present: Affiliate Professor of Anthropology, University of Florida

1994- present: Founder and Director, Institute for Human Rights and Peace Development, University of Florida

2006- 2007: Acting Justice, High Court of the Republic of South Africa, Western Cape Division Honorary Professor, University of Cape Town, South Africa

March - June 1999: Visiting Professor of Law, University of Stellenbosch

May- July 1997: Visiting Professor of Law, University of Western Cape and Howard University

January - August 1994: Visiting Professor of Law, Institute of East European Law & Russian Studies, University of Leiden

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April - July 1993: Visiting Professor of Law, University of Cape Town, South Africa  
May 1992: Visiting Professor of Law, Makerere University, Uganda  
June- November 1979: Visiting Professor, Monash University School of Law, Melbourne, Australia  
1975- 1977: Associate Professor of Law, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida  
1974- 1975: Lecturer, Afro-American Studies, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut

The candidate has competence in human rights as an activist, consultant, representative, scholar and teacher.

Publications available with the Human Rights Council Secretariat

## Candidate Information : NAYAK, Ramanath

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	NAYAK	<b>First Name</b>	Ramanath	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	India	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate worked on Labour Issues and frequently refers to ILO, UN and other conventions.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate worked on indigenous people issues, their rights, livelihood vis-à-vis the national and international policies.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-10 years of experience working on the issues concerning to the downtrodden and indigenous people.

-Consultancies:

-With Action Aid International- Asia on Food Rights

-IGSSS on Development Planning

-With DFID/PRIA on Livelihood project in Orissa

- Undertook Training on Capacity-Building & People-Centric Advocacy at National Centre for Advocacy Study, Pune.

-Visited to Phnom Penh (Cambodia) to take part in the People's Caravan 2005 in December 2005.

Field Works Undertaken:

-Effectiveness of Public Distribution System in Rural Areas: A Case Study of Raipur Village, Dehradun (Uttarakhand).

-Voting Behaviour of Muslim Voters: Study of Okhla Assembly Constituency, New Delhi.

-Implementation of I.T.D. Plan: Case of a T D Block in Koraput (Orissa).

-Planning Process and People's Participation: with reference to Tribal Sub-Plan in Koraput.

-Food Security and Starvation Deaths in Kashipur (Orissa).

-Atrocities against the lower caste people in Puri District of Orissa.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2007- present: Programme manager, Centre for Education and Communication (Labour Resource Centre), New Delhi, India

-2005- 2007: Research Officer, Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi, India

-2004-2005: Coordinator, Policy and Research, NACDOR, New Delhi, India

-2004: Research associate, Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi, India

-2002-2003: Research Officer in NISWASS, Bhubaneswar (Orissa) . Activities- Training, Teaching, Booklets on forgotten freedom fighters, Development handbook on Scheduled Tribes, Poverty assessment study, Study on Roads & Bridges and its Economic Impact.

-October 2001- March 2002: Researcher at Rural Development Unit of Indian Social Institute (ISI), New Delhi. Handled independently a project on Food Security and Starvation Deaths: Case of KBK Districts in Orissa.

The candidate has undertaken research works on the Tribal people of India. His Doctoral dissertation is developed and published as book.

## Candidate Information : NDUMU, Hilda

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	NDUMU	<b>First Name</b>	Hilda	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Cameroon	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

During her LLM Degree, the candidate carried out independent research on the principles and instruments of International Human Rights Law, International Criminal Law, Refugee Law, International law and Current Issues. Her Dissertation centered on the accountability of persons most responsible for the atrocities leading up to the establishment of the International Criminal Tribunal in Rwanda and the Special Court in Sierra Leone. Consequently, she is abreast with the procedures for the overseeing, monitoring and monitoring of human rights abuses including outreach and communication components. Her knowledge of these principles is heightened by the fact that in her practice as a Lawyer she encounters the abuse of these rights on a frequent basis. Gender and minority issues are of particular interest to the candidate. In this light she volunteered pro-bono services to MBOSCUA which is a social and cultural association that requires the defense of their rights as a minority group. Furthermore, the candidate supports activists that advocate the abolition of Female Genital Mutilation which is still prevalent in some parts of Cameroon.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The establishment of the ICTR by the United Nations in order to prosecute persons who bear the greatest responsibility for the 1994 genocide with a mandate to complete the trials by the end of 2008 is an illustration of United Nations institutional mandates. Since her Dissertation makes a comparative study with the Special Court in Sierra Leone, this is indicative of the candidate's knowledge of institutional mandates. As concerns the establishment of the International Criminal Court at the Hague the candidate believes that its mandate is laudable although some State Parties have not ratified the Rome Statute yet. According to the Monitor which is a Journal of the Coalition for the ICC, issue No 35, some 105 States have ratified the Rome Statute while 136 States are signatories to that Statute.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

As an Attorney in private practice, the candidate's human rights activities include frequent visits to the high security prison in Kondengui Yaounde, Cameroon. This prison detains persons who have not been charged to court since 2006. Presently, the candidate is one of the lawyers to some 22 persons who were arrested in 2006 in connection with political demonstrations in Yaounde. They have applied for Habeas Corpus since their detention is not legal and in spite of a new Criminal Procedure Code which guarantees peoples' liberty, the application for Habeas Corpus has been rejected. Again, domestic violence in some parts of this country is recurrent. In association with other activists, they have organized seminars to educate the women to know that domestic violence is a violation of their human rights and it should be reported. They are also educating the women on the dangers of Female genital mutilation particularly now with the prevalence of HIV and AIDS since in most cases unsterilized instruments are used during FGM.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1999-2008: Ndumu & Co Law Firm; Yaounde, Cameroon  
1993-1999: Layu Chambers; Bamenda, Cameroon

Within MBOSCUA which is a social and cultural development association; the candidate volunteered her expertise in the empowerment of women. These women exemplify the problems of indigenous and minority communities such as the lack of education, poverty and economic dependence on their men who are typically polygamous. Her Province of origin (North-West Province) is home to thousands of these Mbororo people and she grew up witnessing all their problems on a first hand basis. The response so far to efforts are still timid but with time she is optimistic that they will touch the grassroots.

## Candidate Information : NTAHOMPAGAZE, Pascal

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	NTAHOMPAGAZE	<b>First Name</b>	Pascal	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Burundi		Belgium	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate worked on sensitisation for human rights and implementation of development projects/programmes on the basis of Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the UNReport 2000 on Human Rights and Human Development, the EU and AU Charter on fundamental Rights and on national/local law or culture. (for further detail refer to the CV)

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate is a partner of « Friends of the United Nations.60th Anniversary » and the Conference of Brussels OSCE-BIDDH. (...) Refer to [www.connaissiezVosDroits2008.org](http://www.connaissiezVosDroits2008.org) (carte des événements- Belgique, événements politique et éducatif association « Paix et Solidarité en Afrique »). Some of the Institutions in United Nations System: High Commissioner for Human Rights, Human Rights Council, European/African Committees for Human Rights, different NGO as "International Federation for Human Rights".

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

(...)The candidate has experience on fighting against discrimination, for protection of minorities, refugees, all indigenous people especially african indigenous people

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

January 2002-present: International Expert- Consultant, President First counsellor Researcher Volunteer, European Commission in the framework of a contract with COWI and AETS; Brussels & Burundi, Mali, Ivory Cost, Great Lakes, Indian Ocena Ilands  
January 2002-present : NGO-PASOAF (Peace and Solidarity in Africa)& International Network for the Good and Well-being in collaboration with UN institutions, EU-ACP institutions, Regional Institutions, Universities, African and European NGO or Private Companies, Brussels & Burundi, Mali, Ivory Cost, Great Lakes, Indian Ocena Ilands  
January 1997- December 2002: Expert, Consultant, volunteer, researcher, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation, International Centre for Sustainable Development, PASOAF in collaboration with ULB, Institut de la Vie(ULB), AMPGN, INES, Institut Eco- Conseil, CNCD; Brussels, Belgium  
July 1996- September 1997: Expert/ Consultant, HYDRO R&D (Consulting firms) in the framework of the cooperation between UE-ACP countries(European Commission), Brussels West Africa Brussels FAO, Rome, UNESCOParis, CTA, Wageningen ;In the ACP countries  
March-October 1993: Scientific trainer-Researcher on environment issues, Town Council of Arlon - , Department of civil engineering, European Bureau of Environment t (EEB); Arlon and Brussels (Belgium)  
November 1985- January 1992: Scientific adviser:  
-Researcher/part-time teacher of biology, Ministry of High Education and Scientific Research, Department of Scientific Research, Bujumbura (Burundi)  
-Ecole Paramédicale pour les techniques de laboratoires (Medical School for Laboratory Technics)  
- World Bank in Bujumbura; Burundi- Bujumbura

The candidate is (...) active and (...) known by the European Parliament, some belgian institutions and the RUSIC-europe in Brussels (Jean-Luc ONCKELINX, Nations Unies)

The candidate has over 40 publications, and has given lectures in over 10 conferences.

## Candidate Information : ODIMBA KOMBE, Catherine

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ODIMBA KOMBE	<b>First Name</b>	Catherine	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Congo	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate studies and analyses the situation of Indigenous peoples, especially the Pygmy in the light of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (...). Her work will be published

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate was recruited by UNDP as a resource person (...) she has knowledge of the UN system

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- Research on gender and Pygmy women)
- Experience in an NGO « Campagne pour les droits de l'homme au Congo »
- Experience at the Research and Action Centre on Justice and Resolution 1325
- Partner of the "Gender Office" of the United Nations Mission in the DRC, MONUC

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- 1988-1993: Teacher, Kankamana Institute, Lubumbashi/Katanga, DRC
- 1995-1999: Chief of the women division, Campaign for Human Rights in Congo (CDHC), DRC
- 2000-present: Assistant , University of Kinshasa, DRC
- 2006- present : Project manager, Research and Action Center on Justice and Resolution 1325, DRC
- 2006- present : Coordinator, Research Centre on Gender and Development (CRGD) University of Kinshasa , DRC
- 2007: Assistant of the coordinator, resource person for the elections' analysis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, UNDP

The candidate (..) has over 10 publications and communications on issues related to women's rights, Pygmy women's rights and Indigenous rights

## Candidate Information : PALYS, Theodore

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	PALYS	<b>First Name</b>	Theodore	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Canada	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has been interested in human rights issues for many years, but became actively interested in Indigenous issues and human rights and civil liberties issues commencing about 15 years ago. He first became involved internationally when he attended the Working Group on Indigenous Populations in 1994, kept up with developments in that forum, visited Geneva again for the 2004 session, and (...) learned more about international law and its development. He has been teaching courses on "Aboriginal/Indigenous Justice" issues for 15 years; three years ago he developed another course on "Indigenous Peoples and International Law" that has now become a regular offering in their programme [it is a sociology of international law course that examines how the relation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous (primarily European) peoples for the last 500+ years has influenced and been influenced by the development of international law].

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

He is familiar with the Human Rights Council and its activities and is familiar with the former Working Group on Indigenous Populations and its major activities (development of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Miguel Alfonso Martinez's study on Treaties, Agreements & Other Constructive Arrangements) and, more recently, the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Special Rapporteur. The former's book on "Indigenous Peoples and International Law" is a text that he relied on when designing the Indigenous Peoples and International Law course.

More generally, the candidate is interested and has followed the work of Amnesty International and has been, but not currently, a member of the British Columbia Civil Liberties Association.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

He has done research with various First Nations in Canada on Aboriginal/Indigenous justice issues, acted (...) as a liaison between a First Nation or Indigenous community and various levels of government, primarily with respect to the development of community-based Aboriginal Justice systems.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1981- present: Professor, School of Criminology Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada  
1980-1981: Visiting Assistant Professor, University of British Columbia

The candidate developed courses in his department regarding Indigenous Peoples and International Law; he has over 150 publications, which consist of books, articles and research reports on the issue of Indigenous peoples (see curriculum vitae).

The application thus far has focussed exclusively on human rights issues and expertise, but Human Rights Council Resolution 5/1 mentions other criteria as well, i.e., independence, impartiality, personal integrity, objectivity. In this regard a primary area of expertise for him throughout his academic career has been in the area of research methodology where his expertise extends to both qualitative and quantitative methods. A book he wrote entitled "Research Decisions: Qualitative and Quantitative Perspectives" is used as a text in a diverse array of disciplines in more than 40 Canadian Universities. This shows his ability to gather and manage information, and his writing skills that are a prerequisite for writing the sort of reports that the Human Rights Council will require from the Expert mechanism, and understand how to do so in a manner that is objective and impartial.

The candidate is also a member of over 10 committees and governmental and non governmental organizations.

The candidate was subject to many media interview, which include the radio, tv and newspapers.



## Candidate Information : PANDAM UVIJINDIA, Rafael Arutam

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	PANDAM UVIJINDIA	<b>First Name</b>	Rafael Arutam	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Ecuador	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The International bill of human Rights (...), the ICCPR, the ICESCR, and related protocols  
The proceedings related to treaty obligations, and non treaty obligations, the resolutions of the Human Rights Commission, the proceedings before the Commission, and (...) the resolutions adopted by the different organs of the United Nations for the promotion and protection of indigenous peoples' rights

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

At the international level, the candidate has knowledge of the structure, functions, tasks, of the UN General Assembly, of the ECOSOC, of the Human Rights Council, replacing the Human Rights Commission (...) and resolutions related to human rights of the other UN organs

At the regional level, he has knowledge of non governmental organization that watch and denounce human Rights violations in Latin America, whose reports on compliance and recommendations get transformed into policies to be put in place by States.  
At the national level, he has knowledge and has participated through the Ministry of State to the elaboration of a National Plan for Human Rights (...)

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate worked for 22 years in the defence of individual and collective rights of indigenous peoples in Ecuador and in the Amazon region  
In 1994 in Washington, he initiated the international opposition against TEXACO for the environmental damage and damage on health and life of peasants, indigenous and settlers of the Sucumbios province in Ecuador  
He also participated in the appeal for legal protection against the BURLINGTON campaign in 2002, in favor of the protection of human rights of the people with Shuar and Achuar nationality, Ecuador.  
He supported the SARAYAKU demands in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights against the oil company CGC in the Pastaza province, Ecuador.  
As a delegate of the Confederation of indigenous nationalities of Ecuador, he denounced the Peruvian government for the attack of civilian communities within the conflict between Ecuador and Peru, in January 1995. His denunciation was echoed at the World Summit for Social Development of the UN, in Copenhagen, Denmark

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- Chief of promotion and organization of the indigenous nationalities of the Ecuadorian Amazon (CONFENIAE), Morona Santiago, Ecuador (3 years)
- Vice-President of the Confederation of indigenous nationalities of Ecuador (CONAIE), Quito, Ecuador (3 years)
- Ministry of ethnicities and culture, Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador (4 months)
- Chief of international relations of the Confederation of indigenous nationalities of Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador (3 years)

He finished his mandate of Chief of promotion and organization of the indigenous nationalities of the Ecuadorian Amazon (CONAIE) and he is not engaged with any governmental or private organization.  
But his experience as an activist was recognized at the national and international level in the field of Ecuadorian indigenous peoples' rights.

## Candidate Information : PARY ANAGUA, Lazaro

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	PARY ANAGUA	<b>First Name</b>	Lazaro	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Bolivia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Knowledge of core human rights instruments including the International bill of human rights, the CEDAW; CRC; CAT and others

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge and is familiar with the work of the Human Rights Council, the OHCHR, the special procedures and related mechanisms, the subsidiary organs of the Human Rights Council, the UNHCR, UNICEF and the International Criminal Court, among others.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-1977: participated to the first non governmental conference on discrimination against indigenous peoples in America  
-1978-1996: Founder of the Association for solidarity with Amerindians, several projects of rural development put in place for the most affected peoples, Bolivi; participated to the work of ECOSOC subsidiary organs as well as working groups and international conferences organized by the UN  
-1982: participated to the Working group on Indigenous opulations  
-1984-2005: participated at the sessions of the WGIP; the World Conference on Human Rights held in Vienna (1993); World Conference against Racism held in Durban (2001); World Summit on Social Development held in Geneva (2000); World Summit on Sustainable Development held in Johannesburg (2002)  
-1995-2006: Participated in the Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples; organized three workshops on indigenous peoples' rights to land and natural resources and the right to self-determination in Santa Lucia, Peru (1997); Seminar on minorities and northern Russian aborigines' right to development, Yakutsk, Russian Federation (1998); workshops on lands and natural resources in Potosi, Bolivia (2000) and the role of women in sustainable development in Ayacucho, Peru (2001).  
-1997-to present: general coordinator of the NGO Indian Mouvement Tupaj Amaru

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1959-1960: Teacher in an indigenous school and technical assistant to the Agriculture agency of Camargo, Potosí, Bolivia.  
-1969- 1970: honorary professor of Russian, University of Potosi, Bolivia  
-1970-1972: Civil Servant at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, La Paz, Bolivia  
-1973-1977 :International civil servant at the United Nations Office in Geneva  
-1980-1996:International civil servant at the World Intellectual Property Organization  
The candidate has a number of publications including in Indigenous peoples' issues

## Candidate Information : PENTASSUGLIA, Gaetano

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	PENTASSUGLIA	<b>First Name</b>	Gaetano	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Italy	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

"He is (...) recognised as a (...) scholar in the area of international human rights and group diversity. He has a (...) record of seminal publications on the subject of minorities and indigenous peoples."

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

"He has (...) understanding of the scope of universal and regional human rights mandates. He teaches several specialist modules on these aspects at undergraduate and postgraduate level and has written (...) in this area.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

"In addition to his academic work, the candidate has served as a consultant to (...) NGOs working in the field, such as Minority Rights Group International and Open Society Institute. Moreover, he has represented (...) human rights institutions such as the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and the European Centre for Minority Issues, at conferences and other public events. He is Director of the Liverpool Law School's International and European Law Unit and Director of this Unit's Programme on International Human Rights and Group Diversity. As part of this programme, he leads a legal advocacy clinic in partnership with MRG."

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

01.08.05-present Senior Lecturer/Associate Professor, Director of the International and European Law Unit, University of Liverpool Law School, UK  
(modules on public international law; international human rights law; minority rights)  
\*visiting professor in international law and human rights, University of Palermo Law School  
Adjunct Professor of International Law and Human Rights

1999-2005((Lehrbeauftragter) , Faculty of Law, University of Munich, Germany: Teaching and research

2004Visiting Professor, University of Graz (Austria) and European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen: Post-graduate teaching, Master's Programme in European Studies

01.09.2004-31.08.2005Visiting Fellow, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London: Research

01.10.2002-01.04.2003Visiting Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Public Comparative Law, Heidelberg (Germany): Research

01.03.2001-01.03.2002Research Fellow (EU Marie Curie) and Guest Professor (Master's Programme in International Human Rights Law), Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, University of Lund: Research and post-graduate teaching

01.12.2000-01.12.2002Senior Non-Resident Research Associate, European Centre for Minority Issues, Flensburg, Germany: Practice-oriented research, lecturing and counselling

14.05.1999-14.05.2000Research Fellow (EU Marie Curie), Institute of Public International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Munich, Germany: Research

01.01.1999 – 01.05.1999Visiting Scholar and Professor, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, University of Lund, Sweden: Research and post-graduate teaching

01.09.1998-01.11.1998Research Scholar, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, USA: Research Scholar Program 1998-1998: Research and post-graduate seminar teaching

15.09.1997-15.01.1998Visiting Scholar, The Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law, Arctic Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Lapland, Finland: Research

#### Teaching Experience

##### Selected non-Liverpool Teaching

PG module on international law (University of Michigan Law School, 1998) – 20 students

PG modules on international human rights law and minority rights (University of Lund, 1999-2002) – 35 students

UG modules on international law, and minority rights (University of Munich, 1999-2005) – 25 students

PG module on international minority rights (University of Graz/Bolzano, 2004, 2006) – 30 students

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PG seminars on international human rights, University of Palermo, June 2008 – 25 students

### Liverpool Teaching

UG module on Public International Law (lectures, both semesters) – present (45 students)  
UG module on EU Law (2005-06, semester 1) (50 students)  
PG module on International Human Rights Law (both semesters) – present, 20 students  
PG module on the European Convention on Human Rights (2005-6, semester 2) – 5 students  
PG module on Minorities in International Law (semester 2) – present, 15 students

### Administrative Experience and Other Functions

Committee membership (2005-06): Cayman Islands and LLM Board of Studies; Staff-Liaison Committee. Coordinator of the Socrates Programme  
Director of the International and European Law Unit; Professional Practice Course Appeal Board  
Member of the Editorial Board, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (Brill Publishers)  
Editor, Recent Books on Human Rights and Groups, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (Brill Publishers)  
Associate Editor of Rivista internazionale e diritti dell'uomo (Giuffrè editore)  
Academic Editor, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, vol. 14:2-3, 2007  
Expert member of the European Society of International Law  
Director of standing Research Seminar Series, International Human Rights and Group Diversity Programme, Liverpool Law School ([www.liv.ac.uk/law/ielu/minority.htm](http://www.liv.ac.uk/law/ielu/minority.htm)).

### Research Experience (Honours, Research Grants and Funding)

2007-2008: University of Liverpool, successful bid for one University studentship commencing in 2008.  
2005-2006: University of Liverpool, RDF Grant of £ 7,200  
2004-2005: Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London;  
2002-2003: Max Planck Institute for Public Comparative Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany;  
2001-2002 and 1999-2000: EC European Commission, Brussels, Belgium;  
2000-2002: European Centre for Minority Issues;  
1999: Swedish Institute, Stockholm, Sweden;  
1998: University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA;  
1997: Centre for International Mobility, Helsinki, Finland  
Research students supervised: ca. 15 (international human rights and minorities); currently supervising 4 PhD students on issues of human rights, minority and indigenous rights, and legal dimensions of ethnic conflict.

### Selected invitations to speak

- Seminar UniDEM Campus, Trieste, Venice Commission, Council of Europe, 26 November 2007
- University of Palermo, Faculty of Law, PhD programme in Human Rights, 2007-2008
- Panel of an international conference on 'OSCE and Minorities: Assessment and Prospects', University of Warsaw and University of Paris II, 7-8 April, 2006;
- International Workshop "European Integration and its Effects on Minority Protection", University of Graz, Austria, 20-23 January 2005;
- Inaugural Conference of the European Society of International Law, Florence, Italy 13-15 May 2004, European University Institute;
- Summer session of the Oxford Round Table, St. Antony's College, University of Oxford, 1-6 August 2004;
- Fourth Pan-European International Relations Conference, University of Kent, Canterbury, UK 6-10 September 2001;
- Workshop "Linguistic Diversity and European Law", European University Institute, Florence, Italy 12-13 November 2001;
- Conference "Implementation of Minority Rights Standards - Ethnopolitical Conflict Management in Europe", Akademie Sankelmark, Flensburg, Germany 30 November-2 December 2001;
- Workshop "Addressing Caste Discrimination from a Human Rights Perspective", organized by Minority Rights Group International, Bangalore, India 1-7 April 2001;
- Co-seminar on "Modern International Law-Making" with Prof. Dr. Bruno Simma (Judge of the International Court of Justice, the Hague), University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, USA, Fall term (1998).

### Consultancy Work/Reviews for Referred Journals/References:

Minority Rights Group International, The State of the World's Minorities project (see publications below);

Independent Legal Consultant to MRG; Director of legal advocacy/research in partnership with MRG as part of the IELU International Human Rights and Group Diversity Programme;

Other consultancy work has been carried out for the European Centre for Minority Issues, the Council of Europe, and the Open Society Institute, Budapest (European Union Monitoring Accession Program, Consultant on the situation of Roma and Sinti in Germany, May 2002);

Served as a reviewer for peer-reviewed journals in the area of human rights, development and international law; served as a referee for academic job applications

Selected peer-reviewed publications

Books:

Minorities and Judicial Discourse in International Law: A Comparative Perspective, forthcoming 2009  
Minorities in International Law: An Introductory Study, Council of Europe Publishing, Strasbourg, 2002 Pp. 304 (Minorités en droit international: Une étude introductive, Editions du Conseil de l'Europe, Strasbourg, 2004 Pp. 320; translated also into Serbian, 2005);  
Defining "Minority" in International Law: A Critical Appraisal, Lapland's University Press, Rovaniemi, 2000 Pp. 70;  
The Significance of Persistent Objection in International Law (in Italian), Laterza, Bari, 1996 Pp. 255.

Edited collections:

Academic Editor, "Reforming the UN human rights machinery: What Does the Future Hold for the Protection of Minorities and Indigenous Peoples?", Double special issue, Vol. 14:2-3 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, Brill Academic Publishers, Leiden, 2007, Pp.397.

Book chapters:

"Reforming the UN human rights machinery: What Does the Future Hold for the Protection of Minorities and Indigenous Peoples: An Introduction", in G. Pentassuglia (ed.), "Reforming the UN human rights machinery: What Does the Future Hold for the Protection of Minorities and Indigenous Peoples?", International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, Vol. 14:2-3, Brill Academic Publishers, Leiden, 2007, 127-139;  
"International Institutions and Law", in Green, R (ed), The State of the World's Minorities 2006, London, MRG, 1-15;  
"Minority Rights, Human Rights: A Review of Concepts, Entitlements and Procedures under International Law". In: Council of Europe and European Centre for Minority Issues ed(s), Mechanisms for the Implementation of Minority Rights Standards. 2005, Strasbourg, Council of Europe Publishing, 1-25.

Conference Proceedings:

"Inside and Outside the European Convention: The Case of Minorities Compared", Proceedings of the Inaugural Conference of the European Society of International Law, European University Institute, May 2004, 1-12;  
"Linguistic Diversity in the Larger Setting: Discussing the Means of Minority Rights Enforcement in Europe and Their Role from the Perspective of Sovereignty", Workshop on Linguistic Diversity and European Law, European University Institute, November 2001;

Articles:

"Inside and Outside the European Convention: The Case of Minorities Compared", 6 Baltic Yearbook of International Law (2006) 263-291;  
"Minority Issues as a Challenge in the European Court of Human Rights: A Comparison with the Case Law of the UN Human Rights Committee", 46 German Yearbook of International Law (2003) 401-451;  
"Minority Rights and The Role of Law: Reflections on Themes of Discourse in Kymlicka's Approach to Ethnocultural Identity", 4 Journal on Ethnopolitics and Minority Issues in Europe (2002) 1-18 (electronic symposium accessible at [www.ecmi.de](http://www.ecmi.de));  
"State Sovereignty, Minorities and Self-Determination: A Comprehensive Legal View", 9 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (2002) 303-324;  
"On the Models of Minority Rights Supervision in Europe and How They Affect a Changing Concept of Sovereignty", 1 European Yearbook of Minority Issues (2001/2) 29-64;  
"The EU and the Protection of Minorities: The Case of Eastern Europe", 12 European Journal of International Law (2001) 3-38;  
"Monitoring Minority Rights in Europe: The Implementation Machinery of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities – with Special Reference to the Role of the Advisory Committee", 6 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (1999) 417-461;  
"Minority Protection in International Law: From Standard-Setting to Implementation", 68 Nordic Journal of International Law (1999) 131-160 (the study has been republished in V La Nuova Frontiera, International Human Rights and Security Review (1999/2000) 2-19);  
"The Treaty Between Italy and Croatia Concerning Minority Rights: An Appraisal", 5 East European Human Rights Review (1999) 49-80;  
"International Protection of Human Rights and State Sovereignty" (in Italian), II La Nuova Frontiera, International Human Rights and Security Review (1997) 8-13;  
"The Application to Minorities of the First Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights" (in Italian), VIII Rivista internazionale dei diritti dell'uomo (1995) 295-313;  
"The Protection of Minorities and the Right to Self-determination" (in Italian), II La Nuova Frontiera, International Human Rights and Security Review (1995) 31-40;  
"Anti-pollution Intervention over Foreign Ships on the High Seas" (in Italian), VIII Rivista giuridica dell'Ambiente (1993) 135-151.

Recent Book Reviews:

Karen Knop, Diversity and Self-Determination in International Law, Cambridge, 2002, 15 European Journal of International Law (2004), 395-400;  
Anna Meijknecht, Towards International Personality: the Position of Minorities and Indigenous Peoples in International Law, Antwerpen, Gröningen, Oxford, 2001, 14 European Journal of

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International Law (2003) 390-395.

"He is recognised as an (...) international legal expert in the area of minority and indigenous rights. He is the author of [over 20] books and articles on this subject. His texts have been nationally and internationally acclaimed. His books include a (...) study on Minorities in International Law published by the Council of Europe. He has recently edited a collection of essays on the UN reform process and its implications for minorities and indigenous peoples: The collection brings together leading academics and practitioners, including senior UN experts."

He is a member of the Editorial Board, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (Brill Publishers)

He is the editor of Recent Books on Human Rights and Groups, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights (Brill Publishers) and Academic Editor of the International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, vol. 14:2-3, 2007

He is the Director of standing Research Seminar Series, International Human Rights and Group Diversity Programme, Liverpool Law School

## Candidate Information : POGGI, Zulay

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	POGGI	<b>First Name</b>	Zulay	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Venezuela	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

-Knowledge of the international bill of human rights, the Inter-American Declaration on Human Rights, ILO Convention No. 169, the resolution creating the OHCHR, the UN Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

-Knowledge of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Millennium Development Goals, especially where they refer to culture, environment, human rights; and the second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People.  
-Knowledge of the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people especially in the field of promotion of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People and other international mechanisms on these topics

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

-Experience in the law of intellectual property of indigenous communities which is contained in the UDHR, and the Inter-American Declaration of Human Rights  
-Experience in environmental law and children in Venezuela applied through a program on environmental education

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-2006- 2007: Consultant for a Project on biodiversity, on the protection of traditional knowledge of indigenous communities of the Amazon, regulation of access to biodiversity and intellectual property, Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO) and the Inter-American Development Bank.  
-2006: PHD programme of the Division of economics and statistics investigation with Patrick Low, World Trade Organization, Geneva, Switzerland  
-Researcher and Professor, Universidad Central de Venezuela. CENDES, Caracas- Venezuela.  
-Association "Punto Verde", NGO for environment protection  
-Presidenta de la Fundación. Asesora permanente en la formulación y evaluación de proyectos ambientales y de desarrollo sustentable y valorización conocimientos tradicionales

-At the national level, experience in human rights and education and environment, development in communities of the Venezuelan coasts directed to children, fishermen and women  
-At the regional level, consulting for the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO) with leaders of indigenous organizations of the Amazon to learn about their needs with respect to the protection of their traditional knowledge and their recovery and preservation  
-At the International level: internship at the WTO, assisted to the Committee on intellectual property where the modification of article 273b of ADPIC dealing with the inclusion of the origin of genetic resources and the traditional knowledge

## Candidate Information : ROBERTSON, Lindsay

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	ROBERTSON	<b>First Name</b>	Lindsay	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	United States	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has experience at the UN and the OAS on a variety of human rights matters and expertise in the following instruments: the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has (...) familiarity with the UN mandates for special procedures regarding indigenous issues and matters arising from the work of the Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, the Human Rights Committee, and the OAS Commission on Human Rights.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Professor of Law, History and Native American Studies, University of Oklahoma, 1997- present, specializing in indigenous peoples law in the United States, comparative indigenous peoples law and international indigenous peoples law. The candidate created and currently co-teaches a course in comparative U.S., Canadian, Australian and New Zealand (Aotearoa) indigenous peoples law with professors at the Universities of Ottawa, Saskatchewan, Auckland, Monash and Queensland. He has trained scholars from Argentina, Peru and Bolivia in US and international indigenous peoples law. Faculty Director, Center for the Study of American Indian Law and Policy, 1998-present. Co-Founder and Associate Director, Inter-American Center for Law and Culture, 2006-present.

Special Justice, Supreme Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 2004-present

Special Counsel on Indian Affairs for the Governors of Oklahoma, 2000-present

Counsel and consultant to numerous indigenous groups in the US since 1989, including, the St. Regis Band of Mohawk Indians, the Cherokee Nation, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Fort Sill Apache Tribe, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, the Osage Tribe, and the Caddo Tribe; currently expert for the Onondaga and Mohawk Nations in land claims against the State of New York and others.

Private Sector Advisor, US Delegation, UN Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2004-06

Private Sector Advisor, US Delegation, OAS Working Group on the Draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2004-07

Lecturer in US Indigenous Peoples Law, University of Virginia School of Law, 1990-97

Lecturer in US Indigenous Peoples Law, George Washington University National Law Center, 1996

Publications include *Conquest by Law: How the Discovery of America Dispossessed Indigenous Peoples of their Lands* (Oxford University Press, 2005) and numerous academic articles

Frequent lecturer on the rights of indigenous peoples under international law

Member, Board of Directors, Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, 1998-2004

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1997-present: University of Oklahoma Law, Norman, Oklahoma, USA

1990-1997: University of Virginia Law, Charlottesville, Virginia, USA

1989-1990: Lichtman, Trister, et al., Washington, DC

1986-1989: Ober, Kaler, et al., Washington, DC

The candidate has a (...) national reputation in the field of indigenous peoples law. As an advisor to federal, state and indigenous governments, he is viewed as a pragmatic scholar who can bring



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diverse groups together. The candidate has an international reputation as creator of the first international legal course in comparative indigenous peoples law, advisor to indigenous rights advocates in Latin America, Canada, Australia and New Zealand (Aotearoa) and participant in the drafting of the UN and OAS Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The candidate's published works have been reviewed and cited in publications from North and South America, Africa, Asia and Australia. The candidate has a well-established reputation among indigenous groups in the United States as a tribal supreme court justice and frequent lecturer and consultant on issues of concern to indigenous communities.

## Candidate Information : STAVENHAGEN, Rodolfo

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	STAVENHAGEN	<b>First Name</b>	Rodolfo	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Mexico	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Information provided states: high level

Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Information provided states: high level

Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of the Indigenous People.  
Member, Vice-President, researcher and professor, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights  
Member of the Advisory Council, Mexican National Commission for Human Rights  
Founding President and Member of the Mexican Academy of Human Rights  
Expert witness, Inter-American Court of Human Rights  
Consultant, Inter-American Commission of Human Rights  
Chair, expert group on the revision of Convention 107, International Labour Organization  
Author of numerous publications in the field of human rights

### Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

Major areas of research:

Agrarian sociology, rural development, ethnic minorities, ethnic conflicts, human rights, indigenous peoples, social movements, conflict resolution.

Professional activities:

--1965-onwards Invited profesor in the Colegio de México; first director of the Center of Sociological Studies (1973-1976); general academic coordinator (1983-1985). From 2005, emeritus professor.

--2001: Appointed as UN Special Rapporteur on the human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of the Indigenous People.

--1979-1982: Assistant Director-General for social and human sciences UNESCO headquarters, Paris, France.

--1977-1979: Director-General of Popular Cultures, Secretaría de Educación Pública, Mexico.

--1969-1972: Senior Research Fellow, International Institute of Labour Studies, ILO, Geneva, Switzerland.

--1965-1969: Co-director of a survey on the Agrarian Reform and Development in Mexico, Inter-American Committee for Agrarian Development.

--1962-1964: Secretary-General, Centro Latinoamericano de Investigaciones en Ciencias Sociales, Río de Janeiro, Brazil.

Professorship activities:

--2000-2001: Robert F. Kennedy Visiting Professor, Harvard University, USA

--1990-1993: Tinker Visiting Professor, Stanford University, USA

--1956-1976: Professor, Political and Social Sciences Faculty Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico City, Mexico.

--1970, 1982: Professor, University of Paris, France

--1971: Professor, University of Geneva,

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Switzerland.

--1963: Professor, Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

--Professor and invited speaker to a number of universities and research institutions in Latin & North America, Europe, Africa and Asia.

Other activities:

Human Rights, Peace and Development:

--1994-1998: President, Steering Committee Fondo para el Desarrollo de los Pueblos Indígenas de América Latina y el Caribe.

--1984 -onwards: Member, General Assembly, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights. 1987-2006: Vice-president of the Executive Committee.

--1999-2003: Member of the Council, University for Peace, United Nations.

--1990-2000: Member of the Council, Comisión Nacional de Derechos Humanos, Mexico.

--1996-2001: Member coordinator of the Comisión de Seguimiento y Verificación de los Acuerdos de San Andrés (Mexico)

--1992-1998: President of International Alert, London, United Kingdom

--1984-1990: Founding President of the Academia Mexicana de Derechos Humanos, Mexico.

--1993-1996: Member, International Commission on Education for the XXI century, UNESCO

--1986: Chairman-rapporteur, Expert meeting on the revision of ILO Convention 107 on Indigenous and Tribal populations, ILO

--Consultant of the UN, UNESCO, ILO and OAS on indigenous peoples and ethnic minorities; occasional consultant of other multilateral organisms.

Social Sciences (only international):

--1975-1987, President of the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO)

--1968-1976, Member, Steering Committee, Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO)

--1976-1980, Member, Advisory Council, United Nations University.

--1984-1988: Member, Steering Committee, Social Science Research Council, USA

--1990-1992: Council president, International Centre for Ethnic Studies (Sri Lanka)

--1985-1987: vice-president, Academic Council for the United Nations. (ACUNS)

--1977-1980: vice-president, Asociación Internacional de Sociología Rural

--1982-1986: vice-president, Federación Mundial de Estudios sobre el Futuro

--1971-1973: Member, Steering Committee, Society of Applied Anthropology, (USA)

## Candidate Information : TEGEGN, Melakou

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	TEGEGN	<b>First Name</b>	Melakou	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Ethiopia	Netherlands		<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	

### Areas of expertise

Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

- Knowledge of international instruments on human rights in general.
- Specific knowledge of international instruments on indigenous peoples and women, knowledge of the rights of disadvantaged groups.

Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

- Knowledge of institutional mandates related to the UN as well as other international or regional organizations' work in the field of human rights, i.e. the Working Group of Indigenous Populations (he attended its meeting on 2001 in Geneva), the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (he attended its meeting on 2004 in New York), the African Human and Peoples Rights' Commission (he attended its meeting on 2003 in Niamey).
- The candidate has written on human rights' issues and has taught human rights in the EL TALLER's leadership training programme in Tunis and Bangkok

Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- The candidate has acquired professional experience in the field of human rights with the following organizations:
- 1997-1993: EL TALLER, Tunis, Tunisia
  - 2004-1997: PANOS, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
  - 2008-2006: IUCN, Entebbe, Uganda

### Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- The candidate has been one of the pioneers in advancing the rights of disadvantaged groups in Ethiopia particularly the rights of pastoralist and women. He has been human rights trainer in Tunis and Bangkok within the framework of EL TALLER training programme and has undertaken initiatives in environmental issues as well as in HIV/AIDS in Ethiopia.

The candidate:

- chaired the Board of the national network of NGO's working on the rights of pastoralists called the Pastoralist Forum Ethiopia in whose establishment he was instrumental
- was a member of the Executive Committee of the African Indigenous Peoples Coordinating Committee representing the networks in the Horn of Africa
- is currently a member of the Working Group of Experts on Indigenous Issues in Africa
- is currently a member of the board of directors for the Pastoralist Forum Ethiopia (NGO active in the field of human rights)
- is a currently trustee of Minority Rights Group Africa Programme

## Candidate Information : TORREZ MAMANI, Virginia

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	TORREZ MAMANI	<b>First Name</b>	Virginia	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Bolivia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of human rights instruments, UN declarations and conventions related to human rights, humanitarian law, refugee law, UN declarations and conventions related to Indigenous issues

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate has knowledge of the mandate, rules of procedures and functioning of the General Assembly especially regarding the role of member states in the consolidation and renewing of the United Nations program of action. The candidate mentioned that in the 2005 World Summit the member states recommended the General Assembly and other UN bodies to examine all the mandates with more than five years of existence.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate acquired experience with human rights when she trained the councilors' women for them to have a space to debate on the many situations of racial discrimination taking place in Cochabamba and also at the national level.

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

1975- present: Assistance and participation for the permanent defense of indigenous peoples' human rights in communities, trade unions, La Paz, Potosí and its indigenous communities, Oruro and Cochabamba indigenous communities, Santa Cruz, Tarija, Chuquisaca  
- Ministry of Health and Social Prevention: nurse assistant  
- Ministry for Countryside and Agricultural issues: in charge of the Emergency National Plan  
- Responsible for the Gender and Indigenous Peoples project at the International Labour Organization (2002-2003)

The candidate has fought for the defense of the fundamental human rights of indigenous peoples of the original communities in Bolivia.  
The candidate took courses and participated in seminars regarding social issues and human development.

## Candidate Information : USOP, Sidik

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<b>Family Name</b>	USOP	<b>First Name</b>	Sidik	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Indonesia	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

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#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

- General knowledge acquired in the civil and political rights as well as in social, economic and cultural rights.
- Particular knowledge acquired in the Indigenous Peoples' Rights as expert and activist in indigenous peoples' issues.
- Knowledge of domestic legal rules in indigenous rights

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

- knowledge of institutional mandates and UN Machinery on human rights as an expert on indigenous rights

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

The candidate has experience acquired as an indigenous rights expert and activist based in Kalimantan, Indonesia. He has experience in research and mediation as follows:

- 2007 : Research on ethnic conflict in Sampit, Central Kalimantan
- Government forbidden to slash and burn on sifting cultivation
- Mediation in the conflict between the Dayak Community and a Forest Company
- Mediation in a conflict between Dayak Peoples and Madura in Sampit
- Identification by the candidate concerning the conflict between Dayak Community and Sawit Plant Company

### Professional experience

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#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

- The candidate is (...) known as an indigenous rights expert and activist based in Kalimantan, Indonesia;
- The candidate is the head of Social Studies and Political Science in the faculty of Economy at the University of Palangka Raya (Unpar) and (...) authority and Spokesperson on behalf of the Dayak Culture.

## Candidate Information : WALET ABOUBACRINE, Saoudata

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	WALET ABOUBACRINE	<b>First Name</b>	Saoudata	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Mali	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>	YES		

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Knowledge acquired during her training at CODAP and the OHCHR from 1996 to 1998 complemented with her participation between 1997 and 2008 in a number of sessions, workshops and conferences related to the promotion and protection of human rights in general and indigenous peoples' rights in particular.

Familiarity with core human rights instruments, international humanitarian law instruments, and legal instruments related to the protection and promotion of cultural diversity; ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities and indigenous peoples.

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

Knowledge of the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous People acquired from 2004 to 2007 within the framework of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' rights and UN activities.

Knowledge on the UN system and mechanisms for the protection of human rights, Charter based mechanisms, the Human Rights Council, the special procedures, the UPR, and treaty bodies.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

- 1997- present : Coordinator of the Tin Hinan Association
  - 2006-2007: Project « Promouvoir les Droits de l'homme et construire de la citoyenneté effective pour une démocratie active » Grants Facility for Indigenous Peoples, World Bank
  - 2005- 2006: Research for the Study of the World Health Organization on Indigenous nomads' health in the Oudalan Province, Burkina Faso
  - 2005-2006 : Translation of theILO Convention 169 in Tamachek (Touarègue), Tin Hinan /International Labour Organization
  - 2003-2008: Programme Coordinator, Tin Hinan Association, Province de l'Oudalan, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso ; Tomboctou , Bamako, Mali
  - 2003-2004: Study on Indigenous peoples' rights in Burkina Faso, International working group on Indigenous Affairs, Province de l'Oudalan, Burkina Faso
  - 2003 : Person in charge of the training project for representatives of French speaking Indigenous peoples of Africa, Tin Hinan in partnership with the Saami
  - 2001-2004: Contribution to the draft document which served as the basis for the report of the Working Group of Experts of the African Commission, West Africa
  - 2001 : Consultant, international workshop on multiculturalism in Africa, Office of the High Commissioner for Human rights Kidal, Mali.
  - 1999-2001 : Project manager on human rights education of Tin Hinan members, Tin Hinan Association in partnership with the European Commission « Responsabilité »
  - 1997-2001: Member of the Executive Committee, Representative for West Africa, Indigenous Peoples of Africa Co-ordinating Committee
  - 1997-1998: Project manager in partnership with OXFAM Belgium : fight against poverty, training women in handicraft and artisanship (sewing, silkscreen, dye)
  - 1991- 1992 : Assistant to the Programme Director on assistance to refugees, World Vision International, Mauritania
- In addition to that stated before:
- 2002: The candidate was solicited by the WHO for a research study on Indigenous nomads' health in the Oudalan Province, Burkina Faso (...)
  - 2003 à 2004: The candidate undertook a study for the International Working Group for Indigenous Affairs on the situation of Indigenous peoples in Burkina Faso.
  - January 2001 : Consultant for the organization of the international workshop on multiculturalism in Africa, Office of the High Commissioner for Human rights , Kidal, Mali
  - November 2006 : The candidate's expertise was solicited by the OHCHR for the UN experts' meeting on treaties , agreements and other constructive arrangements between States and Indigenous peoples

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-August 2004: The candidate's expertise was solicited by NGOs (IWGIA, Democratie et Droit de l'Homme, Conseil Sami, etc...) and regional networks of Indigenous peoples in the framework of the pleading and lobbying for the adoption of the draft declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

-September 2007 : The candidate was designated by the World Alliance of Mobile Indigenous Peoples (WAMIP) as member of the Administrative Council of the network  
September 2007 : The candidate was designated by the World Alliance of Mobile Indigenous Peoples (WAMIP) as member of the Administrative Council of the network

-12 -13 November 2007 : the candidate's experience in the promotion and protection of Indigenous peoples' rights was solicited by the OHCHR for a workshop organized in Brazzaville

The candidate is a founder member of the executive office of the "International Indigenous Portal" - IITF

### Professional experience

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Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

The candidate has been coordinator of a number of projects, as follows:

- 2004 : Alphabetization of Tin Hinan members in partnership with the Danish Cooperation
- 2005-2007: Women's training (Alphabetization, animation, sensitization on children's education, especially girls, women and children's health, HIV/AIDS), Oudalan province
- 2005-2007 : Project « Projet de protection des especes vegetal et animal au Sahel Burkinabe » Union internationale pour la conservation de la nature / PAYS BAS
- 2006-2007 : Project « Promouvoir les Droits de l'homme et construire de la citoyenneté effective pour une démocratie active » Grants Facility for Indigenous Peoples World Bank

The candidate has taken part in a number of international activities related to human rights such as the Beijing +5 Conference held in New York; the WSIS II to which she was invited as a resource person;

The candidate has participated in a number of international activities related to indigenous peoples rights such as the sessions of the WGIP (1997-2006); the preparatory meetings for the establishment of the UNPFII (1999-2000); the sessions of the WG on the draft UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (1998-2007) and the sessions of the UNPFII (2002-2006).

Between 2001-2007 At the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, the candidate pleaded with other NGO representatives to promote and protect Indigenous peoples' rights in Africa. She militated for the adoption of the report of the Working Group of the African Commission on Indigenous peoples.

Within the framework of the consultations on African indigenous experts with the UN special rapporteur, the candidate gained knowledge on the situation of indigenous peoples in Africa. She represented the Indigenous Peoples' African Coordinating Committee in the 3rd Committee of the General Assembly of the UN (...) in charge of the draft declaration and was beneficiary of OHCHR financial support to take part in the informal meeting to discuss the most appropriate mechanisms to continue the work of the working group on Indigenous Populations held in Geneva on December 6-7, 2007.



## Candidate Information : WIESSNER, Siegfried

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	WIESSNER	<b>First Name</b>	Siegfried	<b>Gender</b>	M
<b>Nationality</b>	Germany	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

Professor Wiessner has taught International Law and Introduction to Human Rights Law for many years, including structure of UN, ECOSOC, Human Rights Commission/now Human Rights Council, working groups, special rapporteurs, etc., UN Charter and treaty bodies as well as regional human rights systems.

He has worked with UN HRC Subcommittee Members and Special Rapporteurs (Professors Erica-Irene Daes, Kalliopi Koufa, Iulia Motoc, Martin Scheinin) and members of universal and regional human rights treaty bodies (Human Rights Committee: Professor Eckart Klein; European Court of Human Rights: Professor Herbert Petzold; Inter-American Commission of Human Rights: Professor W. Michael Reisman) as Guest Lecturers in St. Thomas University's LL.M. Program in Intercultural Human Rights

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

In addition to that stated under the heading "knowledge of Human Rights instruments":  
The candidate has been lecturer on Human Rights, UN/UNITAR International Law Fellowship Programme on four consecutive years (1997 to 2001)  
He has also acted as a facilitator of the Drafting commission on Principles of the 2000 UN Seminar on Draft Principles and Guidelines on the Protection of Indigenous Cultural Heritage (Feb.28-March1, 2000, UN Doc. E/CN.4/Sub.2/2000/26) in Geneva.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

Founder and Director, Graduate Program in Intercultural Human Rights, St. Thomas University School of Law, since 2001; Co-Founder and Academic Director, St. Thomas University Human Rights Institute; Provided support in (...) effort of indigenous peoples, historical preservation and environmental groups to protect indigenous sacred site (Miami Circle), 1999-2000; Participated in Drafting of Amicus Curiae Briefs in Human Rights Litigation; Wrote (...) articles in the field of human rights, the role of NGOs, etc.

Specific experience on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples includes:

1993: First speech on concerns and international legal issues of indigenous peoples to the Sovereignty Symposium of the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

1995: First article on the legal status of treaties the U.S. Government concluded with American Indian nations from the dawn of the Republic till 1871 ("American Indian Treaties and Modern International Law."

1999: Article on the "Rights and Status of Indigenous Peoples: A Global Comparative and International Legal Analysis," published in the HARVARD HUMAN RIGHTS JOURNAL of 1999. This (...) study of novel customary international law in the field has been (...) cited as it constitutes the first globally comprehensive research of pertinent state practice and opinio juris (e.g. by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in its successful complaint to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in the pathbreaking Awas Tingni case, recognizing collective property rights of indigenous peoples to their land).

1994 - 2008: Organized eight tribal sovereignty symposia as chair of a pertinent steering committee at St. Thomas University School of Law. These conferences were building on the Oklahoma Supreme Court's Sovereignty Symposium idea and were designed to reach out to cover indigenous issues from an international perspective. Assembled many indigenous leaders from the U.S. and beyond, government representatives, scholars, NGOs, etc. to analyze and develop solutions to pressing problems facing indigenous peoples.

1997, 1998, 2000: Taught the segment on the international protection of human rights at the UN/UNITAR International Law Fellowship Programs at The Hague, focusing, in intercultural dialogue, on the issues of women, indigenous peoples and religious intolerance.

2000: Elected Facilitator, Drafting Commission on Principles, UN Seminar on Draft Principles and Guidelines on the Protection of Indigenous Cultural Heritage (Feb. 28 - March 1, 2000, UN Doc. E/CN.4/Sub.2/2000/26) in Geneva: Important achievement: to fashion a consensus on the revision of Draft Principles and Guidelines between the representatives of States, indigenous peoples, NGOs, the business community (ICC), international organizations (WIPO), etc.

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2001 - 2005: Elected Chair of the American Society of International Law's Interest Group on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Work on developing listserve and pertinent programs for ASIL Annual Meeting.

2007 - present: Member, International Law Association (ILA) Committee on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Work on legal commentary on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; particular responsibility, partially shared, for issues regarding treaties, rights to land and autonomy.

### Recent Speaking Engagements:

-- Lecture, "The Scope and the Limits of Indigenous Peoples' Right to Self-Government," Faculty Speakers Program, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, February 22, 2007

-- Lecture, "Creating Safe Spaces for Indigenous & Non-Western Peoples and Their Laws," Earth Jurisprudence Seminar, Barry University School of Law, Orlando, Florida, February 12, 2007

-- Chair, Panel on "Sovereignty and Sustainable Development of Indigenous Peoples," Seventh Tribal Sovereignty Symposium, St. Thomas University School of Law, January 27, 2006

-- Member, Panel on "International Strategies of Protection of Indigenous Rights" at 2005 Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 7, 2005

-- Member, Panel on "Self-Determination and International Law," Mid-Year Conference of the National Conference of American Indians, Mohegan Sun Resort & Casino, Connecticut, June 20, 2004. The National Congress of American Indians was founded in 1944 and is the oldest and largest tribal government organization in the United States. NCAI serves as a forum for consensus-based policy development among its membership of over 250 tribal governments from every region of the country.

-- Member, Panel on "Indigenous Peoples in Human Rights Law," Symposium on Indigenous Peoples in International Fora, University of Michigan Law School in Ann Arbor, March 26, 2004

### Pertinent Publications:

The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Towards Re-Empowerment, JURIST Forum, Oct. 3, 2007, at <http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/forumy/2007/10/un-declaration-on-rights-of-indigenous.php>, republished in THIRD WORLD RESURGENCE, Issue No. 206, at 15-17 (October 2007), with S. James Anaya

Rights and Status of Indigenous Peoples: A Global Comparative and International Legal Perspective, 12 HARVARD HUMAN RIGHTS JOURNAL 57-128 (1999), at <http://www.law.harvard.edu/students/orgs/hrj/iss12/wiessner.shtml>, reprinted in INTERNATIONAL LAW AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES 257-328 (S. James Anaya ed., 2003)

Indigenous Peoples, 10 YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW 193-216 (2000); 11 Y.B. INT'L ENVTL. L. 155-163 (2001); 12 Y.B. INT'L ENVTL. L. 198-208 (2002); 13 Y.B. INT'L ENVTL. L. 249-257 (2004)

Intellectual Property and Indigenous Peoples: An Overview, 95 PROCEEDINGS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 151-153 (2001)

A New United Nations Subsidiary Organ: The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues ASIL Insight No. 67, Apr. 2001, at <http://www.asil.org/insights/insigh67.htm> (with John Carey)

Defending Indigenous Peoples' Heritage: An Introduction, 14 ST. THOMAS LAW REVIEW 271-274 (2001)

Joining Control to Authority: The Hardened "Indigenous Norm," 25 YALE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. 301-305 (2000)

The 2000 Revision of the United Nations Draft Principles and Guidelines on the Protection of the Heritage of Indigenous People, 13 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 383-390 (2000), with Marie Battiste

Esa India! LatCrit Theory and the Place of Indigenous Peoples within Latina/o Communities, 53 UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI LAW REVIEW 831-854 (1999)

The Proposed American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 6 INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF CULTURAL PROPERTY 356-375 (1997)

American Indian Treaties and Modern International Law, 7 ST. THOMAS LAW REVIEW 567-602 (1995); also published in SOVEREIGNTY SYMPOSIUM VIII (1995)

### RELATED PUBLICATIONS:

## Candidate Information : WIESSNER, Siegfried

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Demographic Change and the Protection of Minorities, in *GLOBALER DEMOGRAPHISCHER WANDEL UND SCHUTZ DER MENSCHENRECHTE* 155-185 (Eckart Klein ed., Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag 2005)

Ethnic Groups, in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF GENOCIDE AND CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY* 304-306 (Dinah Shelton ed., Macmillan Reference USA 2005)

Legitimacy and Accountability of NGOs: A Policy-Oriented Perspective, in *FROM GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNANCE - 2003 HAGUE JOINT CONFERENCE ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* 95-101 (W.P. Heere ed., T.M.C. Asser Press 2004)

Policy-Oriented Jurisprudence and Human Rights Abuses in Internal Conflict: Toward a World Public Order of Human Dignity, in *THE METHODS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* 47-77 (Anne-Marie Slaughter & Steven R. Ratner eds., 2004), with Andrew R. Willard (No. 36, *ASIL Studies in Transnational Legal Policy*)

Exploring the Edge: The Personal Reach of a Transnational Agreement to Arbitrate, in "IN EINEM VEREINTEN EUROPA DEM FRIEDEN DER WELT ZU DIENEN...@ LIBER AMICORUM THOMAS OPPERMANN 453-473 (2001)

Non-State Actors and Their Impact on International Human Rights Law, AALS Workshop on Human Rights, Oct. 26–28, 2000, at <http://www.aals.org/profdev/humanrights/weissner.html>

Faces of Vulnerability: Protecting Individuals in Organic and Non-Organic Groups, in *THE LIVING LAW OF NATIONS* 217-226 (Gudmundur Alfredsson & Peter Macalister-Smith eds., 1996)

### RELATED LECTURES:

"International Protection of Indigenous Peoples: Prospects and Realities," American Society of International Law Human Rights Interest Group Distinguished Lecture, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 2000

"Native American Religions and the Law," Florida International University, 2000

"The Miami Circle: Condos Over Sacred Ground?," Keynote Address, Univ. of Miami Int'l & Comp. L. Rev. Annual Banquet, 1999

"The Miami Circle: Heritage, Takings, and Eminent Domain," American Planning Association, Gold Coast Section, 1999

"The Miami Circle: Preserving Historic, Archaeological, Natural Sites, and Legal Takings," American Planning Association, Broward Section, 1999

"Selected Topics of Human Rights Law: Women, Indigenous Peoples, and Religious Intolerance," UN/UNITAR Fellowship Program in International Law, The Hague, 1997 & 1998

"The Draft Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples," University of Zulia, Maracaibo, Venezuela, 1996

### PANELS:

Panel on "Indigenous Peoples in Human Rights Law," Symposium on Indigenous Peoples in International Fora, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, March 26, 2004

"Intellectual Property and Indigenous Peoples' Traditional Knowledge," XIVth Sovereignty Symposium, Oklahoma City, June 5, 2001

"International Laws & Instruments in Indian Country," 13th Annual Coming Together of the Peoples Conference, Seeding Charred Ground, University of Wisconsin-Madison, February 19, 1999

"Indigenous Peoples and International Law," XIth Sovereignty Symposium, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1998

"Race, Nation and Indigenous Communities," LatCritIII Symposium, Miami Beach, 1998

"Human Rights for the World's Indigenous People," VIIIth Sovereignty Symposium, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1995

"The Status and Contemporary Validity of American Indian Treaties," St. Thomas University Symposium on Tribal Sovereignty: Back to the Future?, Miami, 1994

"The Resurgence of Indigenous Communities," Policy Sciences Institute, Yale Law School, 1994

"Rights and Status of Indigenous Peoples in Comparative Perspective," VIIth Sovereignty Symposium, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1994

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"Empowering Indigenous Peoples: The Relevancy of Self- Determination, Sovereignty and Federalism," VIth Sovereignty Symposium, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1993

### MISCELLANEOUS:

Chair, Steering Committee, St. Thomas University Annual Tribal Sovereignty Symposium:

"Tribal Sovereignty: Back to the Future?", December 1 & 2, 1994, published at 7 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 421-843 (1995)

"The Sacred and the Profane," January 18 & 19, 1996, published at 9 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 1-293 (1996)

"Indigenous Renascence: Law, Culture and Society in the 21st Century," March 13 & 14, 1997, published at 10 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 1-209 (1997)

"Sacred Mother Earth: The Struggle to Save the Everglades," March 27, 1998, published at 11 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 1-107 (1998)

"Sacred Sites and Modern Lives: The Miami Circle and Beyond," February 17 & 18, 2000, published at 13 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 1-414 (2000)

"Defending Indigenous Peoples' Heritage & Autonomy," September 21, 2001, published at 14 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 259-457 (2001)

"Sovereignty and Sustainable Development of Indigenous Peoples," January 27, 2006, published at 2 INTERCULTURAL HUM. RTS. L. REV. 1-147 (2007)

"Indigenous and Minority Languages under Siege: Finding Answers to a Global Threat," January 25, 2008, to be published at 3 INTERCULTURAL HUM. RTS. L. REV. (2008)

## Professional experience

Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

Professor Wiessner has teaching experience in international Law; Comparative Law; International Business Transactions; Constitutional Law; Jurisprudence; Commercial Law; Communications Law; Administrative Law; Property Law. He has been awarded the following honors: Heavy Hitter in Education, South Florida Business Journal, 2005; Elected Member, Int'l Institute of Space Law, 1986; German Government Fellowship (DAAD), 1982-83; Netherlands Government Scholarship, 1979; C.M.E.L., with distinction and merit, 1975; German Government Fellowship (DAAD), 1973-74; Int'l Essay Award, Council of Europe, 1971 & 1972 ("Youth & European Federalism"; "Europe and Détente")

Professor Wiessner has been member of the Executive Council, American Society of International Law (2007 - present); member of the International Law Association Committee on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007 – present); chair of the American Society of International Law Interest Group on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2001-2005) and Expert Witness on Foreign Law.

Professor Wiessner has provided a number of lectures in different universities in Europe, the United States and Latin-America and has a record of publications including articles in human rights specialized journals such as the Harvard Human Rights Journal and has also authored a number of books and book's chapters.

## Candidate Information : YRIGOYEN FAJARDO, Raquel Zonia

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### Personal data

<b>Family Name</b>	YRIGOYEN FAJARDO	<b>First Name</b>	Raquel Zonia	<b>Gender</b>	F
<b>Nationality</b>	Peru	<b>Indigenous Origin</b>			

### Areas of expertise

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding international human rights instruments, norms and principles

The candidate has knowledge of International human rights instruments, norms and principles, especially those related to Indigenous peoples' rights. She worked with these instruments since 1993, in the legal department of the Episcopal commission of social action (Lima, Peru), then in the Andean Commission of Jurists (1993) and in various United Nations agencies (1993, 1996-2007). She also gave classes on human rights and Indigenous rights in over 40 universities. She participated to trainings, seminars on Indigenous rights issues organized by OHCHR and ILO, International Council on human rights policy

#### Knowledge of the candidate regarding institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations work in the area of human rights

The candidate worked for various UN agencies and programmes since 1993 (UNICRI, UNDP, MINUGUA, UNOPS, WB, OHCHR, ILO, etc.) Participated to the seminar of the special rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people, and worked in collaboration with him (2002, 2005) and also collaborated with members of the permanent forum. She has knowledge of the Interamerican system of human rights, she was an independent expert in a case (Carceles y DH Colombia) in 2002.

#### Relevant experience in the field of human rights (including in relation to indigenous peoples' issues)

"The candidate worked for more than 20 years in the field of Indigenous people's rights"  
-1992- 1993: Andean Commission of Jurists, Lima, Peru  
-1996- 1999: MINUGUA-UNOPS, Guatemala  
-2001: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Colombia  
-2004- 2005: United Nations Development Programme, Cambodia  
-2006- 2007: European Union and GTZ, Guatemala  
-2007: United Nations Development Programme, Bolivia  
-2007- 2008: International Labour Organization, Lima, Peru  
-2004- 2005: United Nations Development Programme, Cambodia

### Professional experience

#### Name, attendance/working year(s), place and country where professional experience in the field of human rights have been obtained

-1982- 1992: Legal department of the Episcopal commission of social action, Lima, Peru  
-1992- 1993: Andean Commission of Jurists, Lima, Peru  
-1996- 1999: MINUGUA-UNOPS, Guatemala  
-2001: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Colombia  
-2004- 2005: United Nations Development Programme, Cambodia  
-2006- 2007: European Union and GTZ, Guatemala  
-2007: United Nations Development Programme, Bolivia  
-2007- 2008: International Labour Organization, Lima, Peru

The candidate has over 50 publications on Indigenous rights and legal pluralism, access to justice and women's rights

She was in charge of designing the ILO programme for the promotion and application of Indigenous peoples' rights, was a consultant for several Indigenous organizations from different countries and at the regional level, she was also invited to provide advice in constitutional and legal projects in Ecuador, Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru, Guatemala, Mexico in relation to Indigenous peoples' rights