MEETING OF STATES PARTIES
Twenty-seventh meeting
New York
4 September 2008

ELECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES 28 TO 32 OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS, OF NINE MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE TO REPLACE THOSE WHOSE TERMS ARE DUE TO EXPIRE ON 31 DECEMBER 2008

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In conformity with articles 30, paragraph 4, and 32 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the 27th meeting of States parties to the Covenant will be convened by the Secretary-General at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 4 September 2008, for the purpose of electing nine members of the Human Rights Committee from a list of persons nominated by States parties (annex I) to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 31 December 2008 (annex II). The names of the other nine members who will continue to serve on the Committee until 31 December 2010 appear in annex III.

2. In accordance with article 30, paragraph 2, and article 34 of the Covenant, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 14 February 2008, invited the States parties to submit, in conformity with article 29 of the Covenant, their nominations for the election of nine members of the Committee within three months, i.e. by 14 May 2008.

3. Annex IV contains the curricula vitae of the persons whose nominations had been received by the secretariat by the end of day, 14 May 2008. Nominations received after this date will be issued in addenda to the present document.
Annex I

LIST OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED BY STATES PARTIES

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## Annex II

### LIST OF THE NINE MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE ON 31 DECEMBER 2008

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Annex III

LIST OF THE NINE MEMBERS WHO WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE UNTIL 31 DECEMBER 2010

Mr. Abdelfattah AMOR                Tunisia
Mr. Prafullachandra N. BHAGWATI     India
Ms. Christine CHANET                France
Mr. Yuji IWASAWA                    Japan
Mr. Walter KÄLIN                    Switzerland (vacant)
Ms. Zonke Zanele MAJODINA           South Africa
Ms. Iulia Antoanella MOTOC           Romania
Mr. José Luis PÉREZ SANCHEZ-CERRO   Peru
Ms. Ruth WEDGWOOD                   United States of America
Annex IV
CURRICULA VITAE OF CANDIDATES*

Mohammed AYAT
(Morocco)

Date and place of birth: 1 January 1950, Rabat (Morocco)

Working languages: French/Arabic/English

Current position/function

Senior Legal Adviser in the Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (1997 to date, more than 10 years)

Professor of Law at Mohammed V University, Faculty of Law, Rabat (from 1979 to date, currently on leave of absence)

Main professional activities

Attorney at Law before the Moroccan Supreme Court (belonging to Rabat Bar Association)

Former Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Law, Fes, from 2 February 1987 to 31 March 1991 (more than 4 years)

Former Head of Private Law Department (10 years, elected position, each term two years’ mandate)

Judge and subsequently, Deputy Prosecutor (from 1971 to 1975 (4 years))

Deputy Inspector of Finance (Ministry of Finance) (1968 to 1971 (3 years))

Legal consultation to the Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Science in Syracusa, Italy

Legal consultation to the DePaul University, Institute of Human Rights, Chicago

Consultation to Geneva Initiative, Netherlands

Consultation to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Consultation to the Conseil consultatif des droits de l’homme (Morocco)

Consultation and expertise to the Ministry of Justice of Morocco (on Moroccan penal reforms)

* The full curricula vitae of the candidates as submitted by the State party may be consulted on the website of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (http:www.ohchr.org/English/bodies/hrc/elections.htm).
Educational background

Doctorat d'État en droit (mention très honorable) (PhD in Law with highest distinction), Université des sciences sociales, Faculté de droit, Toulouse, France, June 1979

Diplôme d'études approfondies en Sciences criminelles (Master in Criminal Justice), Université des sciences sociales, Faculté de droit, Toulouse, France, 1976

Diplôme d'études approfondies en Sociologie (Master in Sociology), Université Toulouse le Mirail, Toulouse, France, 1982

Certificat d’aptitude à la profession d’avocat, 1970

Diplôme de formation de l’Institut des études judiciaires à Rabat, 1971

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

I attended a multitude of national and international conferences in several countries (notably at Syracuse, Italy, at the International Institute of Criminal Science and constantly cooperated with Professor M. Cherif Bassiouni, President of the Association internationale de droit penal, and at Oxford, Cable College).

I am periodically solicited by the IBA (International Bar Association) to train lawyers. I notably did this in Uganda, in the Arab world (Dubai) and in the United Kingdom (London and Stratford).

I am contributing to training Rwandan prosecutors on international criminal law and justice (training organized by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda funded by the European Union).

I collaborated in the discussion of the drafting of the Transitional Code for Post-Conflict Criminal Justice to give insight on the position of Arab and Islamic law.


I am currently representing the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda before the Rwandan Government and the diplomatic community accredited in Rwanda. I am also occasionally mandated by the Prosecutor to represent him in international forums. Lately I represented him in Washington, D.C., at the American University, Washington College of Law in a forum on fugitives.

I am also member of several national and international legal associations and amongst the founders of some of the associations in Morocco.
List of most recent publications in the field

_Manuel de procédure pénale_ (tome I), Babel Éditions, Rabat, 1991 (312 p.) (in Arabic)

_Manuel de procédure pénale_ (tome II), Babel Éditions, Rabat, 1991 (330 p.) (in Arabic)

“À la recherche des racines biopsychologiques du crime”, _Savoir criminologique_, Collection (publiée sous la direction de Mohammed Ayat) No. 3, Éditions Almaarif Al Jadida, Rabat, 1998 (208 p.)

“Le crime”, _Savoir criminologique_, Collection (publiée sous la direction de Mohammed Ayat) No. 1, Éditions Ennajah AlJadida, Casablanca, 1997 (126 p.) (in French)


_Cours de terminologie juridique_, Textbook, 1995 (190 p.) (in French)

_Droit pénal marocain_, Textbook, 1997 (180 p.) (in Arabic)

Articles

Around 60 articles published in national and international specialized law journals, most of them written in Arabic or French. Some are written in English


“Silence is Golden: The Right to Remain Silent in International Criminal Law”, *Revue de droit international de sciences diplomatiques et politiques*, Genève, vol. 79, No. 3 (septembre-décembre 2001), pp. 303-338 (in English)

“Independence of the Judiciary in Morocco”, *Revue marocaine de sciences administratives*, premier semestre 2000, pp. 2-9 (in Arabic)


“Reflection on Acquittal Based on Doubt”, *Al moulhak alkadai*, No. 32, April 1997, pp. 75-78 (in Arabic)

“Psychiatry and Criminology”, *Al moulhak alkadai*, No. 32, April 1997, pp. 3-7 (in French)


“The Protection and assistance provided to former detainees”, *Al mouhak alkadai*, No. 31, June 1996, pp. 23-37 (in Arabic)

“Reflection on Fair Trial”, Published in *Al Alam*, 29 June and 11 July 1996, and in *Al Ittihad Al Ichtiraki*, 30 June 1996. Also published in *Al Ichaa*, No. 15, January 1997 (in Arabic)

“Defence Lawyer’s Role during the Interview of Suspects by the Prosecutor: in Light of the 30/12/1991 Reform”, *Al Ichaa*, 7th year, No. 13, December 1995, pp. 105-116 (in Arabic)

“Outline of the Moroccan Criminal Justice System”, paper presented at Saint Cloud State University (Minnesota, United States) (in English)

“Articulation de la responsabilité pénale dans les jugements du TPIR” (to be published by the Institute of Strategic Studies, Amman) (in French)
Mr. Ahmad Amin FATHALLA  
(Egypt)

Date and place of birth: 25 November 1952, Cairo, Egypt

Working languages: French, English, Arabic

Current position/function

Ambassador of Egypt to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Governor of Egypt to the Common Fund for Commodities and representative of Egypt to the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Court, the Permanent Court of Arbitration and the Hague Conference on Private International Law.

Main professional activities

On home postings he worked mainly in the legal department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs until he became Deputy Assistant Minister for Legal Affairs and then Assistant Minister for Multilateral Relations responsible for all United Nations matters. One of his main tasks was the preparation of Egypt’s reports to all United Nations and human rights bodies, as well as lectures and presentations on United Nations matters. He served in the Permanent Missions of Egypt in New York (Sixth Committee) and Geneva (Human Rights). He was a member of the Egyptian team for the Taba Arbitration. He represented Egypt in many United Nations legal forums and assumed the post of either chairman or vice-chairman of a number of committees or working groups of these United Nations bodies.

Issues: ECOSOC Charter, non-use of force, rights of the child, migrant workers corruption, disarmament etc.; chaired a number of Egyptian National Committees (ICC, law of the sea, etc.). He was a member of the Legislative Committee of the Egyptian Council for Motherhood and Childhood. He worked as the legal adviser for the Basel Convention (drafted the basic legal documents and provided legal assistance to the parties). He served as Ambassador of Egypt to Morocco and Turkey.

Educational background

- Attended “Jésuites” school (French Language School) in Cairo (1958-1970)
- BA in Law, Cairo University, 1974
- Diploma in International Relations, Institut International d’Administration Public Paris, 1987

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

When he was serving at the legal department he was responsible for the preparation of the two reports submitted by Egypt in 1984 and 2001 in accordance with article 40 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
He was responsible for the promotion of the obligations of the Covenant in different national authorities responsible for the implementation of the Covenant (Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Interior, etc.).

He was also responsible for the promotion of the rights and obligations stipulated in the Covenant through lectures and presentations delivered at several national institutions like the Egyptian Diplomatic Institute.

**List of most recent publications in the field**

He made a number of presentations which were published on different websites of international institutions. The latest was a presentation made in the Hague Forum for Judicial Expertise on 3 October 2007 entitled “The development and extension of international law: a need for a balanced approach”. It was published in the form of a legal article on the website of The Hague Forum.
Majed FAYAD  
(Lebanon)

Date and place of birth:  29 November 1950, Saida (Lebanon)

Working languages:  English, Arabic, French

Current position/function

Attorney at Law before the Lebanese courts since 1983. Member of the council of the Beirut Bar Association since 2002, elected as a member for two consecutive terms. Representative of the Beirut Bar Association as a “judge” in the tribunal on matters concerning the work of attorneys at law and syndicate issues.

Main professional activities

Practising law before Lebanese courts, particularly on criminal issues, and constitutional matters. Representative of the Beirut Bar Association in the Sub-committee of the Commission for Administration and Justice of the Lebanese Parliament concerned with the review of the Lebanese criminal law, since 2003 until now, as well as representative of the Beirut Bar Association in other subcommittees reviewing various other laws, among them the rules of procedure of criminal trials.

Educational background

Licence in law (4 years), Lebanese University, Beirut, 1973-1974

Licence in Arabic literature, Lebanese University, Beirut, 1978 (Faculty of Education)

MA (aptitude) in Arabic literature, Lebanese University. Faculty of Education, 1979 (5 years).

United Nations Language Proficiency in English and French (New York)

Spanish courses at the United Nations

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Representative of the Beirut Bar Association in the Committee on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms in the Lebanese Parliament, particularly on implementing the National Plan on Human Rights with the assistance of the United Nations Development Programme. Assigned establishing member of the Committee on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms in the Beirut Bar Association in 1996 and assigned member of the Committee until 2003, when elected as member of the council of the Beirut Bar to monitor issues concerning abducted and disappeared persons during the Lebanese civil war.

List of most recent publications in the field

“Lebanese Criminal Law, in the light of constitutional rules, and international treaties”, 2007

“Guarantees of fair international trial and Lebanese law problems”, 2006

“Human rights in the Constitution and Lebanese laws”, 2002

“Relationship between associations and the Lebanese authority”, 2001
Maurice GLELE-AHANHANZO
(Benin)

Born on: 15 March 1934 at Zinvié (Benin, formerly Dahomey)

Family status: Married, four children

Mother tongues: Fon - Yoruba

Working languages: French - English

Professional Activities

(a) International official (UNESCO-Paris, 1961-1962) responsible for relations with French-speaking African States: Department of Relations with Member States

(b) International official in the General Secretariat of the African and Malagasy Union (Cotonou, Dahomey): Legal Adviser and Director of Inter-African Technical Cooperation (1962-1963)

(c) Secretary-General of the Government, from May 1963 to December 1965 (successively under Presidents Maga, General Soglo, Apithy Ahomadegbe, Congacou Tahirou)

(d) Chargé de Mission in the Cabinet of General Soglo, the new Head of State […] of one of the drafters of the 1965 Constitution

(e) Head of the Public Assistance Legal Office in Paris (June 1966 to August 1967)

(f) International official in UNESCO: Administrator of programmes for the study and dissemination of African cultures, Culture and Communication Sector (1967 to 1989), (Director of the Division for the Study of Cultures) head of project and coordinator of the UNESCO publication General History of Africa in eight volumes

(g) Tutor at the Paris Law Faculty (Panthéon-Assas) in international law and international institutions (under Professor Pinto) and administrative law (under Dean Vedel): 1967 to 1974

(h) Lecturer in the Department of Legal Studies and Economic Sciences at the University of Dahomey: Constitutional law and political institutions; Public international law from 1964 to 1989

(i) Lecturer at the University of Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne), Department of Political Science and Legal Anthropology, from 1975 to 1993, visiting lecturer at the Faculty of Legal and Economic Sciences in Dakar (Senegal) and the National University of Benin, (1971-1989: Cotonou)

(k) Member of the Scientific Council and Vice-President of the Academy
(l) Member of the board of examiners for:

- *Agrégation* examination in public law organized by France for
  Côte d’Ivoire (1980) in Paris, board, Professors Gérard Conac and Guy Feuer

- First *agrégation* examination in public law and political science organized by the African and Malagasy Council on Higher Education (CAMES) in 1983

- Chairman of the Board of Examiners, Public Law and Political Science Section, and Coordinator of all the boards (third CAMES examination): Dakar, November-December 1987

(m) Staff member at UNESCO, from 1967-1992 (permanent appointment), Director of the Division of Cultural Studies and Policies, and since 1989, Director of the Office of International Standards and Legal Affairs (Legal Counsellor) in UNESCO; personal promotion to Assistant Director-General of UNESCO, Legal Counsellor, in 1992

(n) One of the drafters of the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights (Dakar 1977, under the chairmanship of Judge Keba Mbaye)

(o) Co-Director with Mr. Conac and Mr. Gaudusson of *La Justice en Afrique*, Afrique Contemporaine series, La Documentation Française, Paris, December 1990

(p) Director of research and theses - member of many Ph.D examining boards in law, history and anthropology (Paris, Dakar)

(q) Chairman of the Constitutional Commission of Benin, and member of the High Council of the Republic (period of transitional government: 1 March 1990 to 1 April 1991)

(r) Vice-President of the High Council of the Republic sitting as the Constitutional Court (April 1991-June 1993)

(s) Member of the Committee of “eminent African personalities” entrusted by the Heads of State of West Africa with the revision of the ECOWAS (Economic Community of West African States) Treaty

(t) Member of the International Academy of Constitutional Law (Tunis): Vice-President and member of the French Comparative Law Society; member of the French Association for International Law

(u) Member of the Constitutional Court (Benin) (1993-2003)

(v) Member, Vice-President and President of the Administrative Tribunal of the African Development Bank (ADB)

(w) Member of the International Advisory Committee for the Culture of Peace and Non-violence (UNESCO)
Special Rapporteur of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racial discrimination and xenophobia and related intolerance, from 1993 to 2001, report submitted each year to the Commission on Human Rights and the United Nations General Assembly:

- United States of America (1994)
- Brazil (1995)
- Germany (1995)
- France (1995)
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1995)
- Colombia (1996)
- Kuwait (1996)
- South Africa (1998)
- Czech Republic, Romania, Hungary (Roma issue 1999)
- Term of office renewed in July 1999 for three years; played an active part in the preparations for and proceedings of the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (2001)
- In 2001 resigned from the post of Special Rapporteur, chaired the meeting of Rapporteurs and Special Representatives, Experts and Chairpersons of working groups of the special procedures of the Commission on Human Rights and of the advisory services programme which was held in Geneva from 18 to 22 June 2001

Member of the Human Rights Committee since 14 September 2000, elected Vice-Chairperson in 2004

President of the High Court of Justice of Benin (2001-2003)

Member of the French Comparative Law Society

Member of the French Association for International Law

Member of the panel of the Nürnberg City International Human Rights Prize

Director of dissertations and theses at the UNESCO Chair of Human Rights (University of Abomey-Calavi), Chairman of the Institute of Human Rights and Promotion of Democracy: Democracy in Daily Life (IDH), and lecturer in IDH
Organized several seminars and scientific meetings in the context of IDH:

1. Voting methods and funding of electoral campaigns in a pluralist democracy (Cotonou, May 1994);
2. Voter education (seminar - Cotonou, January 1995);
3. Training seminar on the Presidential election (Cotonou, January 1996);
4. Human and citizens’ rights and duties: civic and ethical education at school (Cotonou, August 1996);
5. Application of article 40 of the Constitution of 1 December 1990 (seminar-workshop Cotonou, August 1996);
6. Racial discrimination: International meeting of experts on all forms of discrimination based on racial or national origin or any other grounds, in South Africa and in the Sahara (Cotonou, June 1997 - in English and French);
7. Critical evaluation of the realization of the rights of the human person and the practice of democracy in Benin (colloquium - Cotonou, September 1998);
8. Human rights in question (Cotonou, December 1998);
10. Training seminar for the publicly owned and privately owned press on the new electoral code (seminar - Abomey, February 1999) - “Rencontres No. 2” series;
12. Training seminar in human rights, public freedoms and democracy for members of the uniformed forces of the member States of the Council of the Entente States (seminar - Cotonou, January 2005) - “Rencontres No. 4” series/Collection of international instruments on human rights and the protection of persons in detention or imprisonment (January 2005);

**Diplomas and university degrees**

- Baccalaureate (Classics A series: Latin and Greek)
- Preparation for entrance into the *grandes écoles* (Lycée Louis-Le-Grand-Paris, 1956-1958)
- Diploma of the Ecole Nationale de la France d’Outre-Mer (class of 1958)
• Bachelor of Law; Doctor of Law (1967)

• Lecturer (agrégé), Faculties of Law (Public Law and Political Science: 1974 examination - Paris)

Works and publications

(a) Published works


(iii) Le Danxome, du pouvoir Adja à la Nation Fon, Paris, Nubia, 1975


(viii) “Pour une culture de la démocratie”, Liber Amicorum de Federico Mayor, Brussels, Bruylant, 1995


(b) Miscellaneous studies


(ii) “Le recours contre une décision administrative négative” (doctrinal study), L’Actualité juridique: Droit administratif, 20 January 1970

(iii) “L’Administration, au-dessus de la loi?” (doctrinal study 1974, not published)

(v) “La Commission africaine des droits de l’homme et des peuples” (Colloque organisé par la Commission internationale de Juristes - Dakar 17-18 juillet 1987, rapport introductif)


(vii) “Pour une O.U.A. opérationnelle”, Revue juridique et politique - Indépendance et Coopération, No.3-4, 1985


(c) Collective works

(i) Pour un droit des peuples, Paris, Berger-Levrault, 1978


(xi) “L’État de droit dans l’espace francophone”, Colloque international de la Francophonie, Cotonou, August 1991, Rapporteur général: M. Glélé-Ahanhanzo


Honours

(a) Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres (France)

(b) Officier de la Légion d’Honneur (France)

(c) Grand Officier de l’Ordre national du Bénin

(d) In the context of the activities of the Institute of Human Rights and Promotion of Democracy: Democracy in Daily Life (IDH):

   (i) In December 1996, IDH was congratulated by Mr. Jacques Chirac, the French President, when conferring on it a mention spéciale under the French Government’s Human Rights Prize for 1996, awarded by the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights;

   (ii) UNESCO awarded IDH a commemorative medal in December 1998 on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

   (iii) The third honour is the mention d’honneur under the 2002 UNESCO prize for human rights education, awarded to IDH at the thirteenth meeting of the UNESCO international board in Paris, on 28 and 29 October 2002.
Edwin JOHNSON LÓPEZ  
(Ecuador)

Nationality: Ecuadorian
Mother tongue: Spanish
Civil status: Married, two children

Languages
- English - written and spoken
- French - spoken
- Italian - spoken
- German - understood

Ambassador Johnson entered the foreign service as a career diplomat through an open competition in 1970.

Professional experience
Since December 2007  Director-General for Cultural Promotion in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
September-December 2007  Diplomatic Coordinator with the Congress of Ecuador
2006-2007  Adviser in the Institute of Higher National Studies (IAEN)
2003-2005  Deputy Minister and Secretary-General for Foreign Affairs  
Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs on numerous occasions
January-September 2003  Under-Secretary for the Foreign Service
1997-2002  Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Swiss Confederation
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Principality of Liechtenstein
1995-1997  Ambassador/Director-General for Protocol and Ceremony Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador
October 1995  Promoted to the rank of Ambassador of the Republic through competition  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador
January 1995  Diplomatic Coordinator on the front line, during the conflict with Peru
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

1994-1995  Director-General for Europe
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

1993-1995  Coordinator of the Ecuador-Peru Commission on Good-neighbourliness
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

1991-1993  Minister, Head of Chancery in the Embassy of Ecuador in Peru
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

1990-1991  Minister-Chief of the Ecuador Interests Section in Berlin, during the process of German reunification
Consul-General of Ecuador in Berlin, with jurisdiction throughout the former German Democratic Republic

1988-1990  Minister-Head of Chancery in the Embassy of Ecuador in Venezuela

1986  Counsellor-Director of Passports and General Services in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1983-1986  Counsellor in the Embassy of Ecuador in France

1984-1986  Acting Permanent Representative in the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to UNESCO in Paris

1981-1983  Counsellor-Chief of the Office of the Economic Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

February-July 1981  Vice-Consul of Ecuador in New York (Legal Affairs) - United States of America


1975-1976  Second Secretary-Consul in Miami (United States of America)

1970-1975  Chancellor and Third Secretary of the Ecuadorian Foreign Service, by open competition. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

Other experience

2005-2008  Member of the United Nations Committee of experts on Human Rights in a personal capacity
2003-2005  Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the National Defence Board (Legal Committee)

1986-1987  Chairman of the Association of Ecuadorian Foreign Service Personnel


**Other**

Vice-Chairman of the Standing Commission on Civic Commemorations

Member of the National Culture Council, representing the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the governing body of the International Centre for Higher Studies in Journalism for Latin America (CIESPAL)

Representative to the Inter-American Centre for Popular Arts (CIDAP)


**Studies**

1989-1990  Postgraduate course on Caribbean issues - Central University of Venezuela

1982  Export promotion expert for the External Trade Institute (ICE), Rome

1978  Studies on International Relations - Johns Hopkins University - Washington D.C.

1969-1975  Titles of advocate in the courts of the Republic of Ecuador and doctor of jurisprudence, by the Central University of Ecuador

1973  Title of Bachelor in Public and Social Sciences by the Central University of Ecuador, Faculty of Jurisprudence, School of Law
Conferences and courses

- Professor of Public International Law - Central University of Ecuador
- Professor of Diplomatic Law - International School of Sciences - Ecuador
- Professor of the Diplomatic Academy of Ecuador
- Lecturer in the War Academy of the Armed Forces of Ecuador and in the Institute of Higher National Studies (IAEN)

Decorations

- Gran Cruz Orden Nacional al Mérito, Ecuador
- Gran Cruz Orden Nacional al Mérito, Chile
- Gran Cruz Orden Nacional de El Sol, Peru
- Segunda Clase Orden Francisco de Miranda, Venezuela
- Orden de San Carlos, Colombia
- Comendador de la Orden Nacional, Bolivia
- Orden Nacional “Águila Azteca”, Mexico
- Caballero de la Orden “Baron de Rio Branco”, Brazil
Rajsoomer LALLAH
(Mauritius)

Name and first name: LALLAH Rajsoomer

Date and place of birth: September 1933, Mauritius

Working languages: English and French

Current position/function

Member of the United Nations Human Rights Committee (membership expires in December 2008). Has served successively as Rapporteur and Chairperson of the Committee. Private practice as a law consultant, mostly on human rights protection, constitutional and public law, as well as civil and criminal cases. Also serves as arbitrator in national and international arbitrations.

Main professional activities

Initially practised as a barrister before eventually serving as Assistant Solicitor-General and subsequently as Parliamentary Counsel in the Ministry of Justice of Mauritius. Then served as Special Adviser in Legal Matters at the Commonwealth Secretariat in London, assisting Governments belonging to the Commonwealth, mainly on constitutional questions and the enactment of appropriate legal infrastructure for resources development and exploitation. Returned to Mauritius and served as a Judge of the Supreme Court for 15 years before retiring as Chief Justice.

Educational background

Obtained a BA (Honours) in Jurisprudence, Oxford University, United Kingdom, and subsequently an MA. Qualified as barrister-at-law at the Middle Temple, London. Was awarded a United Nations Institute for Training and Research fellowship at The Hague Academy of International Law.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Served as Special Rapporteur of the former United Nations Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Chile (1983 and 1984) and in Myanmar (1996 to 2000). Member of the group of three eminent persons appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to assess existing material relating to genocide in Cambodia and to recommend appropriate measures. Chair of the Commission of Enquiry appointed by the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization to investigate certain industrial complaints in Nigeria. Member of the Fact-finding and conciliation commission appointed by the International Labour Organization to investigate industrial complaints made by the Congress of South African Trade
Unions against the then Government of South Africa. Member of the High-Powered Commission appointed by Commonwealth Heads of State and Government for the setting up of human rights machinery for the Commonwealth.

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Michael O'FLAHERTY
(Ireland)

Nationality: Irish
Languages: English and French

Present appointment
Professor of Applied Human Rights and Co-Director of the Human Rights Law Centre at the School of Law, University of Nottingham

Other current professional engagements

- Member of the United Nations Human Rights Committee, elected on the nomination of the Government of Ireland by the States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- Member of international advisory boards: Diplomacy Training Programme, Sydney
- UN-UK Association, London; University of Sarajevo Human Rights Centre, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Hilda Back Education Fund, Nairobi
- Member of the Management Committee of the EU Research Fund on Human Rights, Human Security and EU External Policy (COST Action 28)
- Member of the International Research Network on Human Rights and Conflict Resolution
- Visiting Professor, Sant’Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, and the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratization, Venice
- Fellow, Kingston University
- Member of editorial boards: Human Rights Law Review; EIUC Studies in Human Rights and Democratization Book Series; Irish Yearbook of International Law
- Adviser to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), UNICEF, the Special Court for Sierra Leone, the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan and several human rights non-governmental organizations
- Director of “Consolidating a Profession: The Human Rights Field Officer”, an international and inter-institutional project of research, capacity-building and training to map the professional identity and functions of the human rights field worker
- Expert witness: during 2005-2007, gave expert evidence on a number of occasions before trials at the Special Court for Sierra Leone
Previous appointments

2002-2003 Senior Research Officer (Child Rights), UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre, Florence, Italy

2000-2002 Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

Coordinator, OHCHR programmes in the Asia-Pacific region

Acting Deputy Director of the Office of the High Commissioner at United Nations Headquarters, New York

Chairperson of the United Nations Task Force on Human Rights and Humanitarian Action


1997-1998 Independent consultant on human rights


1995-1996 Secretary of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; Coordinator of the Human Rights Programme, United Nations Graduate Studies


1987-1992 Coordination of the international human rights activities of the Irish Commission for Justice and Peace; development of support schemes for marginalized young people and the juvenile prisoners; coordination of the national youth programmes on justice, peace and human rights

1980-1983 Apprentice Solicitor, Ireland

Qualifications

1993 University of Amsterdam: Master of Philosophy (human rights)

1992-1993 University of Amsterdam/Amsterdam School of International Relations, Master of Arts in International Relations

1984-1987 Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome: Bachelor of Theology
1983-1984 Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome: Bachelor of Philosophy
1980-1983 Law Society of Ireland, Dublin: Solicitor
1977-1980 University College Dublin (National University of Ireland), Bachelor of Civil Law

Publications*


Recent articles include


Conference presentations 2003-2007

Keynote speaker/panellist at events organized by the Governments of Ireland, United Kingdom, China, Germany, Norway, Monaco, Liechtenstein, France, Switzerland, Sweden, Solomon Islands and Fiji and at numerous conferences organized by intergovernmental bodies, universities and non-governmental organizations.

* A full list of publications is found in an annex that can be consulted on the website of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (http://www.ohchr.org/English/bodies/hrc/elections.htm).
Riccardo PISILLO MAZZESCHI  
(Italy)

**Born:** Siena (Italy), 11 January 1948

**Family status:** Married, with two children

**Languages:** Italian, English, French

**Current positions**

- Professor of International Law, University of Siena, Italy (since 1994)
- Head of the Department of Law, Economics and Government, University of Siena
- Member of the Centre for Human Rights and Immigration Law, University of Siena (since its inception)
- Member of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Geneva
- Member of the Italian delegation to the United Nations Human Rights Council, Geneva
- Member of the board of editors of *Diritti umani e diritto internazionale* (human rights and international law), Franco Angeli publishers, Milan

**Educational background**


1972 Georgetown University, Institute for International and Foreign Trade Law (Washington, D.C.)

1971-1972 University of Parma, School on the Law of International Organizations

1966-1971 University of Siena, Faculty of Law (Doctor of Law/LLB)

**Professional activities**

Since 1974 Attorney-at-law, member of the Italian Bar Association

1974-1985 Partner in a law firm and practising lawyer

**Academic career and relevant academic activities**

2006 Lecturer at The Hague Academy of International Law (State responsibility for violation of positive obligations on human rights)

2003-2004 Visiting scholar, Université Paris II
2000-2005  Professor of International Protection of Human Rights, University of Siena, Faculty of Political Science

1999-2005  Member of the advisory board of *The Italian Yearbook of International Law*, Nijhoff, Leiden/Boston

1999-2001  Professor of Human Rights, LUISS University of Rome, Faculty of Political Science

1998-2005  Head-Coordinator of the PhD. Joint Programme on International Law and European Union Law of the Universities of Siena, Florence and Pisa

1998      Visiting scholar, European Commission of Human Rights, Strasbourg, France

1997-2000  Professor of Private International Law, University of Siena, Faculty of Political Science

1997      Visiting scholar, Faculty of Laws, University College, University of London

1994-1995  Professor of Ecclesiastic Law, University of Siena, Faculty of Law


1990-1994  Professor of International Law, University of Cagliari, Faculty of Law

1986      Visiting fellow, Max-Planck-Institut für Ausländisches Öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht, Heidelberg

1985-1990  Associate Professor of Private International Law, University of Siena, Faculty of Law

1982      Participant in the Centre for Studies and Research in International Law and International Relations, The Hague Academy of International Law

1980-1985  Assistant Professor of International Organization, University of Siena, Faculty of Law

1973-1979  Research Fellow, University of Siena, Faculty of Law

**Activities within international organizations and other public service activities**

2005-2006  Member of the Working Group on the Draft Articles on Diplomatic Protection of the International Law Commission

1985 Member of the Italian delegation to the United Nations General Assembly, Sixth Committee (New York)

1985 Assistant of the Italian Legal Adviser at the United Nations, Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations (New York)

**Academic and professional associations**

- Member, Italian Society of International Law
- Member, American Society of International Law
- Member, International Law Association, Italian Branch
- Member, Committee on International Human Rights Law and Practice, International Law Association

**Lectures and reports**

Organized and/or participated as a lecturer or rapporteur in Italy and abroad in several international conferences, seminars, workshops, panels and courses on public international law, European Union law, private international law; and in particular human rights law, international humanitarian and criminal law. Among the most recent ones:

- **2007** Lecture at the University of Palermo on “Individual Rights, Human Rights and the ILC Works on Diplomatic Protection”
- **2007** Lecture at the University of Naples on “Human Rights and Exhaustion of Local Remedies”
- **2007** Report at the Workshop of Bologna on “Diplomatic Protection and Human Rights”
- **2006** Course at The Hague Academy of International Law on “State Responsibility for Violation of Positive Obligations on Human Rights”
2005 Lecture at the University of New South Wales, Faculty of Law, Sydney, on “The Role of Individual Rights and Human Rights in Contemporary International Law”

2005 Lecture at the University of Technology of Sydney, Faculty of Law, on “European Union’s Measures Against Illegal Immigration”

Main publications

(a) Books and monographs

- “Responsabilité de l’État pour violation des obligations positives relatives aux droits de l’homme”, in Recueil des Cours de l’Académie de Droit International de La Haye, 2006 (in print)
- *Esaurimento dei ricorsi interni e diritti umani* (Exhaustion of local remedies and human rights), Torino, Giappichelli, 2004
- “Due Diligence” e responsabilità internazionale degli Stati (Due Diligence and international responsibility of States), Milan, Giuffrè, 1989
- *Risoluzione e sospensione dei trattati per inadempimento* (Termination and suspension of treaties for breach), Milano, Giuffrè, 1984

(b) Articles, book chapters and other studies (selection)

- “La coordination entre la nouvelle condition de recevabilité prévue par le Protocole N.14 à la Convention européenne et la règle de l’épuisement préalable des recours internes”, in F. Salerno (ed.), *La nouvelle procédure devant la Cour européenne des droit de l’homme après le Protocole N.14*, Bruxelles, Bruylant, 2007, pp. 115-134
- “Il diritto d’asilo 50 anni dopo la Dichiarazione universale dei diritti dell’uomo” (The right to asylum 50 years after the Universal Declaration of human rights), *Rivista internazionale dei diritti dell’uomo*, vol. 12, 1999, pp. 694-703

• “European Community and Member States’ Powers in the Field of Environmental Policy”, *Tulane Journal of International and Comparative Law*, vol. 1, 1993, pp. 107-133

• “The Due Diligence Rule and the Nature of the International Responsibility of States”, *German Yearbook of International Law*, vol. 35 (1992), Berlin, Duncker & Humblot, 1993, pp. 9-51


(c) **Editor and/or co-editor**

Rafael RIVAS POSADA  
(Colombia)

Place and date of birth: Santafé de Bogotá, 5 April 1932

Marital status: Married, two children

Foreign languages: English, French

University studies

Universidad Nacional, Law, Santafé de Bogotá, 1950-1954

Master of Law and Political Science, 1956, Final dissertation: “General Theory on Legal Transactions”, for which he was awarded the Medalla del Mérito Universitario José Félix de Restrepo, 1957

Postgraduate studies

Université de Paris, Department of Law, Paris, 1956-1958, Civil Law courses (within the PhD curriculum), scholarship of the French Government

Université de Paris, Institut de droit comparé, Paris, 1956-1958


Princeton University, United States of America, 1965-1968, PhD studies in Political Science PhD candidate; final dissertation: “The Colombian political party system: models of political competition”; Ford Foundation scholarship

Professional background

Municipal Judge at Utica (Cundinamarca), 1955-1956

Minister of Public Finance, Bogotá, 1958

Attorney of the Province of Cundinamarca, 1958-1960

Private practice as lawyer - Bogota, 1971-1975

National Coordinator of the UNDP/UNESCO Programme, Bogotá, 1975

Minister of National Education, 1977-1978

General Manager of Empresa Colombiana de Producción y Distribución de Bienes Culturales, Procultura S.A., Bogotá, 1981-1982

Member of the Peace Commission of the Colombian Government, 1982-1985
Assistant Director of the Colombian Liberal Party, 1985-1986

**Academic experience**

Professor at Escuela Superior de Administración Pública (ESAP), Bogotá, 1963-1965

Professor at Universidad del Valle (Calí, Colombia), 1965-1970

Head of the Political Science Department, Universidad del Valle, 1968-1969

Dean of the Department of Economic and Social Science, Universidad del Valle, 1970

Dean of the Department of Arts and Sciences, Universidad de Los Andes (Bogotá), 1970-1971

Professor at Universidad de Los Andes, 1970-1975

Head of University, Universidad de Los Andes, 1982-1985

Director, Center for International Studies, Universidad de Los Andes, 1996-1997

**Diplomatic background**

Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations, New York, 1975-1977


Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, President of the Social Committee and the Economic Committee of the Council


President of the Intergovernmental Conference of UNESCO on Cultural Policies in Latin America and the Caribbean, Bogotá, 1978

Head of the Colombian delegation to the tenth special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations devoted to disarmament, New York, 1978

Regional Coordinator of UNESCO for Latin America and the Caribbean, Caracas, Venezuela, 1979-1981

Delegate of Colombia to the World Conference on Culture, organized by UNESCO, Mexico, 1982

Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for the study of the human rights situation in Uruguay, 1982-1985

Independent resource person of the Commission on Human Rights for the study of the human rights situation in Paraguay
Ambassador of Colombia to Belgium, Luxembourg and the European Communities, Brussels, 1986-1988


Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on the human rights situation in Cuba, 1991-1992

Member of the Consultative Group of International Experts for the International Committee of the Red Cross, 1992-1995

Commissioner member for Panel A on the study of reparations concerning the Gulf War, United Nations Compensation Commission, Geneva, 1994-1996

Member of the National Group of the Permanent Court of Arbitration of The Hague

Member of the Human Rights Committee, 2000-2008

Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee, 2007-2008
Sir Nigel RODLEY
(United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Name: Professor Sir Nigel Rodley

Born: 1 December 1941

Marital status: Married

Foreign languages: French, Spanish and some German

Education: LLB, University of Leeds; LLM, Columbia and New York Universities; PhD, University of Essex

Current and recent positions

2001-present Member of the Human Rights Committee
2003-2004 Human Rights Committee Vice-Chairperson
2007-present Human Rights Committee: Special Rapporteur on follow-up to Concluding Observations
1994-present Professor of Law (Reader 1990-94) University of Essex, Colchester (subjects taught: international law; international human rights; jurisprudence)
          Dean of the University of Essex School of Law (1992-1995)
          Director, University of Essex LLM in International Human Rights Law. Chair, University of Essex Human Rights Centre (2003-present)

Professional recognition

2008 Elected Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians
2005 Joint recipient of the American Society of International Law’s Goler T. Butcher Medal for distinguished service to human rights
2000 Honorary Doctor of Laws, Dalhousie University, Canada

Professional experience

concerned with drafting new international legal standards, establishing machinery to monitor their implementation and promoting and protecting human rights; providing information and advising on international and comparative law aspects of human rights information and publications; participating in research and negotiation missions to specific countries)

1973 - 1990
Part-time Lecturer in International Law, London School of Economics and Political Science

1983
Academic Visitor, London School of Economics and Political Science (wrote “The Treatment of Prisoners under International Law”, first edition)

1970-1972
Research Fellow, Centre for International Studies, New York University (research and writing in international law and political science)

1969-1972
Visiting Lecturer of Political Science, Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research, New York (Subjects taught: international law; United Nations Secretariat; law and practice of the United Nations)

1968-1969
Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations, New York (drafting discussion documents and servicing international meetings on legal and organizational aspects of international economic cooperation)

1965-1968
Assistant Professor of Law, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (Subjects taught: international law; international economic transactions; contracts; legal research, writing and bibliography)

Training programmes

Henry-Dunant Institute (Geneva) Seminar for Francophone Heads of Prison Administration, Bujumbura (1990)


African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies, Banjul (1991)


University of Essex Training Programme for Senior Administration of Justice Officials from Small Commonwealth Countries (1991)


University of Essex Human Rights Centre Training Programmes for East European Lawyers (1999)


Amnesty International, International Secretariat and British Section (various)

Activities

Commissioner, International Commission of Jurists (since 2003)

Member, Council of Justice (British Branch of the International Commission of Jurists since 2001)

Member, Editorial Committee, British Year Book of International Law (since 2001)

Member, United Kingdom Foreign and Commonwealth Office Expert Panel on Torture (from 1998 to current)

Trustee, Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture (since 2004)


Main books (written/edited or co-authored)

*The Treatment of Prisoners under International Law*, 1987, 1999

*International Law in Western Hemisphere*, 1974

*Enhancing Global Human Rights*, 1979

*To Loose the Bands of Wickedness - International Intervention in Defence of Human Rights*, 1992

*International Response to Traumatic Stress*, 1996

Conference on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in Acute Crisis, 1998
Main shorter works


“Monitoring Human Rights by the UN System and the Role of Non-Governmental Organisations”, 1979


“Direct Intervention at the UN: NGO Participation in the Commission on Human Rights and its Sub-Commission”, 1982


“Torture, Extra-Legal Execution and ‘Disappearance’ as Crimes under International Law”, 1985

“UN Action Procedures against ‘Disappearances’, Summary or Arbitrary Executions and Torture”, 1986


“The Role of Non-Governmental Organisations in the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”, 1991


“Conceptual Problems Concerning Minorities - International Legal Developments”, 1995

“Rights and Responses to Terrorism in Northern Ireland”, 1995


“Impunity and Human Rights”, 1998


Official publications


Annual reports of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the question of torture, 1994-2002

Various official reports on visits to individual countries in the role of United Nations Special Rapporteur
Fabian Omar SALVIOLI  
(Argentina)

Date of birth: 5 April 1963
Civil status: married

Professional information

A. Academic posts

Lawyer and Master of International Relations, National University of La Plata; with special 
studies in international protection of human rights in the International Institute of Human Rights 
(Strasbourg) and the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (San José, Costa Rica)

Full Professor (head of department) in Public International Law, Chair No. III; Faculty of Legal 
and Social Sciences, National University of La Plata (Argentina, since 2000)

Director of the Institute of Human Rights, Faculty of Legal and Social Sciences, National 
University of La Plata (Argentina), since 1999 (www.derechoshumanos.unlp.edu.ar)

Director and professor of the Master’s Course in Human Rights, Faculty of Legal and Social 
Sciences, National University of La Plata (Argentina) since 2004, 
www.derechoshumanos.unlp.edu.ar. Subjects supervised: “The system for the protection of 
Human Rights in the UN”; “The inter-American system for the protection of human rights”

Postgraduate professor in various universities in the Argentine Republic (National University of 
Buenos Aires [UBA]; Argentine Notarial University; National University of Salta [unas]; 
University of the Argentine Social Museum; National University of Córdoba; National 
University of La Pampa; National University of Mar del Plata)

Director of the Human Rights Section of the Argentine International Law Association (AADI), 
an institution which enjoys consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social 
Council (2003-2005)

Coordinator of the Inter-University Human Rights Network of the Argentine Republic 
(2001-2004)

Producer and director of human rights education programmes for Canal 7 television (1999-2001)

B. Work in International intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

Member of the General Assembly of the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg)

External Consultant for the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (San José, Costa Rica) 
since 1994. In that institute worked on various projects for the programmes on education, 
administration of justice, security and gender. Is also a regular lecturer in the annual 
Interdisciplinary Course, and has been a lecturer in the second and third series of the 
Latin American Foreign Ministry Staff Human Rights Training Course
Professor in charge of study of the inter-American system of human rights (in Spanish) and the seminar on the inter-American system (in French) at the Annual Course of the Strasbourg International Institute of Human Rights (from 1995 to 2007)


Latin American Expert (Human Rights Area) for the reform of curriculum and content in the Bogota Higher School of Public Administration, University of Barcelona Nuffic Project, IL3 Spain, ESAP Colombia (2006-2007)

Presenter in the initial panel of the Intergovernmental Meeting of Senior Human Rights Authorities of Mercosur; Brasilia (2006)

Member of the Arbitral Tribunal on Pecuniary Compensation (Schiavini Case) set up as part of an Amicable Solution before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, at the suggestion of the State of Argentina (2006)

Member of the Research Team on “Courts of special jurisdiction and Human Rights” in the Comparative Law Research Unit in the University of Paris I (Sorbonne) (2005)

Teaching consultant in Depaul University (Chicago, United States of America) (2003-2005) for courses and seminars

Participant in the World Conference for the Establishment of the International Criminal Court (Representation of the International Secretariat of Amnesty International Rome 1998)


Chairman of Amnesty International Argentina (1989; 1993-1995)


As visiting professor, from 1990 to date has given postgraduate and master’s courses and lectures in academic bodies and institutions in various countries of the American continent: Brazil (University of Brasilia, University of Santa Catarina); Chile (National University of Santiago; Economic Commission for Latin America [ECLA] and Andean Commission of Jurists); Colombia (Universidad Javeriana; Universidad del Externado; University of Nueva Granada; Fundación Social; Judicial Council of the Judicial Training School; Higher School of Public Administration); Costa Rica (National University of Costa Rica); Ecuador (Auditoría Democratica Andina; College of Human Rights Specialists of Guayaquil); El Salvador (Western Catholic University); United States of America (Human Rights Center for the Americas, Depaul University, Chicago); Guatemala (Criminal Public Defender’s Institute);
Honduras (Public Defender’s Institute; Central American Confederation of Human Rights Procurators), México (Ibero-American University; Aguascalientes State Human Rights Commission; Querétaro State Human Rights Commission), Nicaragua (Inter-American Institute of Human Rights and European Union Project), Panamá (Ombudsman), Paraguay (National University of Asunción; Catholic University of Asunción; Supreme Court, Centre for Judicial Studies), Peru (University of San Marcos; Peruvian Institute of Human Rights and Education for Peace; Andean Commission of Jurists), Dominican Republic (Human Rights Institute of Santo Domingo); Uruguay (Catholic University of Uruguay; University of the Republic); Venezuela (Supreme Court; University of Los Andes-Mérida; Central University of Venezuela); and in Europe: Portugal (Universidade Portuguesa), Italia (School of International Policy, Rome); Spain (Universidad Complutense de Madrid, University of Sevilla, Pablo de Olavide University; Public University of Navarra, University of Navarra; University of La Coruña, University of Valencia, University of Córdoba, University of Zaragoza, Universidad Cantábrica, University of Extremadura, University of Santander; Jaume I University of Castellón de la Plana); Russian Federation (Project of the High Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe, Kislovodsk), and France (International Human Rights Institute, Strasbourg; University of Paris I; Sorbonne).

C. Publications

Books and articles on the doctrine of human rights, education and international law in various countries of Latin America and Europe

“Los Derechos Humanos en las Conferencias Internacionales de la última década del Siglo XX”; en Las Grandes Conferencias Mundiales de la década de los ´90: las bases para la construcción de una comunidad internacional, Edit. IRI, UNLP y PNUD; La Plata, Argentina, 2000

“El derecho internacional público contemporáneo y sus modificaciones a la luz del derecho internacional de los derechos humanos” en Anuario de derecho, No. 3, ed. Universidad Austral, Buenos Aires, 2000

“¿La justicia que viene? Un análisis de la Conferencia de las Naciones Unidas para el establecimiento de una Corte Penal Internacional”; in Agora, revista de Ciencias Sociales, No. 2, ed. CEPS, Valencia, Spain, 1999

“El desarrollo de la Protección Internacional de los Derechos Humanos, a partir de las Declaraciones Universal y Americana”; en Relaciones Internacionales, No. 13; Edit. Instituto de Relaciones Internacionales, La Plata, Argentina, 1997


“El desarrollo de la Protección Internacional de los Derechos Humanos, a partir de las Declaraciones Universal y Americana”; en Relaciones Internacionales No. 13; Edit. Instituto de Relaciones Internacionales, La Plata, Argentina, 1997

“La mujer en el Derecho Internacional Público: un viaje de medio siglo desde San Francisco a Pekín”; en A un año de Beijing, ed. Instituto de Relaciones Internacionales UNLP, La Plata, Argentina, 1996


“La protección de los derechos económicos, sociales y culturales en el sistema interamericano de derechos humanos”; en Revista, No. 40; ed. Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos; San José, Costa Rica, 2004

“La competencia consultiva de la Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos: marco legal y desarrollo jurisprudencial”; en Homenaje y Reconocimiento a Antônio Cançado Trindade; ed. Sergio Fabris, Brasilia, 2004

“Un análisis desde el principio pro persona, sobre el valor jurídico de las decisiones de la Comisión Interamericana de derechos humanos”, en Defensa de la Constitución, Libro en reconocimiento al Doctor Germán Bidart Campos; Edit. Ediar, Buenos Aires, 2003

“El aporte de la Declaración Americana de 1948 para la protección internacional de los derechos humanos”, en: El sistema interamericano de protección de los derechos humanos en el umbral del siglo XXI, Tomo I; Edit. Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos, San José, Costa Rica, 2001

“El sistema interamericano de derechos humanos a favor de la democracia substancial”; en: Garantías, No. 3; Edit. Defensoría del Tribunal de Casación de la Provincia de Buenos Aires; La Plata, Argentina, 2000

“Postulados emergentes de la Jurisprudencia de la Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos en relación al Derecho Internacional Público”; Edit. Instituto de Relaciones Internacionales, La Plata, Argentina, 1997

“Derechos, Acceso y rol de las víctimas”; en: El futuro del sistema interamericano de protección de los Derechos Humanos; Edit. Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, San José, Costa Rica, 1997

“Los desafíos del sistema interamericano de protección de los derechos humanos”; en Estudios Básicos de Derechos Humanos, tomo V; ed. Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, San José, Costa Rica, 1996


“The individual, human rights and international instruments, focus on the Council of Europe”; en The ELSA Law Review, No. 2, ed. ELSA International, Copenhagen

“Les tribunaux militaires en Argentine” en Jurisdiction d´exception et Droits de l’homme, ed. MR de droit comparé de París, Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne - CNRS; París, 2007

Courses published online in the educational tools portal of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (www.iidh.ed.cr/)

El sistema universal de protección de los derechos humanos de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas

La protección del derecho a la integridad personal y la prohibición de la tortura en los sistemas universal e interamericano de protección de los derechos humanos

Curso sobre la protección internacional de los derechos económicos, sociales y culturales

Curso sobre el Sistema Interamericano de Derechos Humanos

“Basic course on the universal system for the protection of human rights”

“Basic course on economic, social and cultural rights”

Other books - joint authorship and in the press


Manual de Derechos Humanos para Fuerzas Armadas (joint authorship), Ed. Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, San José, Costa Rica, 2005

El archivo y el taller de las ciencias sociales (8 volumes, joint authorship); Ed. Norma, Buenos Aires, 1990

“Los Derechos Humanos en la Educación Superior”: (in the press, Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos)
D. Other background

Has sponsored individual complaints and/or cases before the organs of the Inter-American human rights system as a lawyer.

Member of the interdisciplinary formal education team of the Oecumenical Movement for Human Rights (1990-1996).

Public recognition by the Municipality of La Plata for work performed at the national and international levels to promote and protect human rights (2008).
Krister THELIN  
(Sweden)  

Languages: Swedish, English, German and French  

Present appointment  

Previous appointments  
1997-2003 Assignments in the Balkans for the European Union and the Swedish Foreign Ministry; Support for the Constitutional Institution-Building in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Director-General of the independent Media Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina (the country’s Supreme Regulatory Body of Ether Media), Chairman of the South East Europe Stability Pact “eSEEUROPE Initiative”, and Director of the Policy and Legal Advice Centre in Belgrade, Serbia  
1998- Chief Justice of Appeal, Court of Appeal of Skåne and Bleking in Malmö  
1995-1997 Chairman of law commissions; civil law, international private law and law on border security  
1991-1994 Deputy Minister of Justice  
1990-1997 Justice of Appeal  
1987-1991 Adviser on International Humanitarian Law to the Swedish Defence Forces  
1984-1989 Associate Justice of Appeal  
1978 -1994 Secretary to various law commissions; social insurance law, civil law and data protection law  
1976-1978 Assistant Justice of Appeal  
1972-1975 Law clerk  

Qualification  
1975-1976 Master of Laws (LLM); inter alia, United Nations law and international legal process, Harvard Law School  
1967-1972 Juris Kandidat (LLB) at Lund University, Lund, Sweden
Other current professional engagements

- The Swedish Society for Judicial Research; President, 1992-1997
- The International Bar Association; vice-chair of Judges’ Forum 2000-2001
- Member of the International Commission of Jurists
- Member of the Swedish Helsinki Committee and Amnesty International

Publications

*Sweden and the rule of law*, Stockholm, 2001


Several articles on constitutional law, human rights and data protection
Elisabeth ZAKHARIA SIOUFI  
(Lebanon)

Date of birth: 27 September 1954

Current position/function: Attorney at Law  
Member of the Beirut Bar Association since 16 October 1980

Main professional activities: Director of the Institute for Human Rights of the Beirut Association:
Representative of the Beirut Bar Association in the National Steering Committee concerning Women Migrant Domestic Workers
Member of the Committee on child protection against violence (Higher Council of Childhood)
Chairperson of the Local Committee at the Unit on Life and Service of the Middle East Council of Churches - Lebanon

Educational background: 1980 - LLB with distinction (Licence en Droit) in Lebanese Law, Université Saint-Joseph, Beirut
1979 - LLB with distinction (Licence en Droit) in French Law, Université Saint-Joseph, Beirut
1978 - DEUG ( Mention Sciences Juridiques) with distinction, Université Saint-Joseph, Beirut
1975 - BA in Sociology, Université de Lyon (France), Faculté des Lettres et Sciences Humaines

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned
To train on the implementation of international conventions and capacity-building on monitoring and reporting in this respect.
To train mainly lawyers on human rights in the administration of justice.
To train on international humanitarian law public awareness campaigns on the rights of the child.
Participate in national plans to amend laws in compliance with international conventions ratified by Lebanon.

List of most recent publications in the field
2007 - The Role of Professional Associations in the Promotion of Human Rights Culture