



# **International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination**

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## **Meeting of States parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination**

### **Twenty-eighth meeting**

New York, 21 June 2019

Item 5 of the provisional agenda

**Election, in accordance with article 8 (1–5) of the Convention,  
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### **Note by the Secretary-General\***

#### **Addendum**

1. In accordance with article 8 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the twenty-eighth meeting of States parties to the Convention is to be held at United Nations Headquarters on 21 June 2019 for the purpose of electing nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination to replace those whose terms will expire on 19 January 2020.
2. The curricula vitae of the persons whose nominations were received by 27 February 2019 are contained in a note of the Secretary-General dated 26 April 2019 (see CERD/SP/82, annex).
3. The annex to the present note contains the curricula vitae of three additional candidates, who were nominated by Germany, Colombia and Burkina Faso after 27 February 2019, listed in the order in which their nominations were received.

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\* The present report was submitted after the deadline so as to include the most recent information.



## Annex

### Curricula vitae\*\*

#### **Mr. Mehrdad Payandeh (Germany)**

**Date and place of birth:** 20 November 1978, Tehran/Iran (German national)

**Working languages:** German (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate level), Farsi (basic knowledge)

**Current position/function:**

Chair in International Law, European Law and Public Law, Bucerius Law School, Hamburg (since 2016)

**Main professional activities:**

- University teaching, academic research and supervision of PhD research with a focus on International Law, Human Rights Law, Anti-Discrimination Law and Constitutional Law, Involvement in academic self-governance (member of university councils and committees), Organisation of Conferences and Workshops;
- Consultancy of governmental bodies and NGOs, in particular on questions of Human Rights Law and Anti-Discrimination Law.

**Educational background:**

- Habilitation (postdoctoral lecturer qualification), Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany, 2016;
- LL.M., Yale Law School, New Haven, USA, 2010;
- Bar Exam, Higher Regional Court of Düsseldorf, Germany, 2009;
- Dr. iur., Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany, 2008;
- First State Examination (J.D. equivalent), Düsseldorf, Germany, 2004.

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

- Member of the Advisory Board to the Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection and the German Institute for Human Rights, Project on Strengthening the Criminal Justice System with regard to Racism and Human Rights (2017–2018);
- Co-Editor of a comprehensive Handbook on Anti-Discrimination Law (since 2017, publication expected in 2020);
- Co-Founder of a Network on Anti-Discrimination Law, bringing together academics and practitioners (since 2016);
- Member of academic societies (European Society of International Law, International Society of Public Law, Societas Iuris Publici Europaei, Vereinigung der Deutschen Staatsrechtslehrer, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationales Recht, Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Vereinten Nationen).

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

- Article 4 ICERD, in: Angst/Lantschner (eds.), Commentary on the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (*in German, to be published 2020*);

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\*\* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

- The Sensitivity of the Criminal Justice System for Racism and Discrimination, Deutsche Richterzeitung 322 (2017) (*in German*);
- Fragmentation within international human rights law, in: Andenas/Bjorge (eds.), A. Farewell to Fragmentation. Reassertion and Convergence in International Law 297 (Cambridge 2015);
- Legal Protection against Racial Discrimination, Juristische Schulung 695 (2015) (*in German*);
- The Individual Complaints Procedure under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (2014).

**Mr. Pablo Emilio Luna Gutierrez (Colombia)**

[Original: Spanish]

**Date and place of birth:** Bogotá, DC, 29 May 1979**Working languages:** Spanish, English (60%)**Current position/function:**

Lecturer, postgraduate courses, Minuto de Dios University Corporation (UNIMINUTO)

**Main professional activities:**

- Lecturer, various postgraduate courses, Minuto de Dios University Corporation (UNIMINUTO);
- Lecturer on educational topics at public and private educational institutions;
- Lecturer on work and human development at educational institutions;
- Director of undergraduate and postgraduate studies, various universities;
- Research and academic papers;
- Contributor to chapters of a book.

**Educational background:**

- PhD. Governance and Public Administration (University of Baja California);
- Master's in Management (Universidad del Rosario);
- Specialist in Human Resources Management and Organizational Development (Universidad del Rosario);
- Psychologist (Ibero-American University Institution)

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

- Former adviser, Subdirector of Ethnic Affairs, Bogotá District Secretariat of Government;
- Responsible for implementing affirmative action, Subdirector of Ethnic/Afro-Colombian Affairs, Capital District;
- Devising strategy for training and awareness-raising on ethnic groups, for Capital District officials;
- Diploma in African culture, UNIMINUTO;
- Named prominent Afro-Colombian (category Education), by El Espectador newspaper and the Color Colombia Foundation

**Most recent publications in the field:**

- *Estudios sobre pobreza, acoso escolar, justicia, seguridad pública y cultura organizacional en México y Colombia* (Studies on poverty, school bullying, justice, public security and organizational culture in Mexico and Colombia), chapter 4: "Perception of poverty and quality of life in two departments of Colombia, Chocó and Cundinamarca". Pablo Emilio Luna Gutiérrez. (2017).

**Ms. Fatimata-Binta Victoire Dah (Burkina Faso)**

[Original: French]

**Date and place of birth:** 18 August 1945, Tougan (Burkina Faso)**Working languages:** French (excellent); English (excellent); Spanish (good); Fulani (excellent); Dioula (excellent)**Current position/function:**

- Career diplomat, Senior Minister Plenipotentiary, retired;
- Member and former Chair, Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD).

**Main professional activities:**

- Member of CERD (2004–present): Chair of CERD (2008–2009); Vice-Chair of CERD (2006–2007); represented CERD at the United Nations General Assembly in New York in 2008;
- 1998–2002: third Vice-President of the OAU/ECA Committee of the African Women's Committee on Peace and Development;
- 1994–2001: Diplomatic adviser to the President of Burkina Faso;
- 1991–1994: Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs: supervision and coordination of central and external services;
- 1990–1991: Director for International Cooperation: Initiation and follow-up on issues relating to bilateral cooperation with partner countries in the North and South and with international organizations; negotiation of cooperation agreements; meetings of joint commissions;
- 1987–1989: Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso in New York (took part in work and meetings of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly);
- 1981–1987: First Counsellor, Burkina Faso Embassy in Beijing, China;
- 1977–1981: Technical Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso;
- 1972–1976: Director, Department for Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (summits of non-aligned countries and of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the West African Economic Community (WAEC));
- 1972: Head of Asia/Oceania Department, Directorate of Political Affairs: attended United Nations General Assembly Fourth Committee.

**Education:**

- 1964–1970: Institut d'études politiques, Paris and Law Faculty of Paris/Assas (France);
- Diplôme de Sciences politiques/option Relations internationales (Diploma in political sciences, specializing in international relations) and Maîtrise de Droit Public (Master's Degree in Public Law)
- 1970–1971: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Graduate Institute of International Studies, African Institute, Geneva, Switzerland;
- Diplôme de formation diplomatique (Diploma in diplomatic training)
- Internships with international organizations in Geneva. Study tours to Bonn (Foreign Affairs), Brussels (European Commission), Budapest (Foreign Affairs), Paris (Foreign Affairs) and Vienna (Diplomatic Academy).

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

- As Chair and member of CERD, led a delegation of the Committee to the Durban Review Conference 2009; has participated in several inter-committee meetings of the United Nations human rights treaty bodies; has chaired the Meeting of the Chairpersons of the United Nations human rights treaties bodies; has been a member of the delegation of treaty bodies experts in New York in the context of consultations on the treaty body strengthening process; has represented CERD at the session of the United Nations Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of Complementary Standards; has represented CERD at the United Nations level, on various panels and at seminars and other human rights events, including on the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
  - Member of the Special Commission that prepared the preliminary draft of the 1978 Constitution of Upper Volta
  - Member of the Commission of Experts on settlement of the first border dispute between Mali and Upper Volta
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