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Meeting of States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Tenth meeting

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Item 5 of the provisional agenda

Election, in accordance with article 72 (1–5)

**of the Convention, of seven members of the Committee
on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers
and Members of Their Families to replace those whose
terms of office are due to expire on 31 December 2021**

Election of seven members of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families to replace those whose terms of office are due to expire on 31 December 2021

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In conformity with article 72 (4) of the International Convention on the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the tenth meeting of the States parties to the Convention will be convened by the Secretary-General at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 29 June 2021, for the purpose of electing seven members of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families from a list of persons nominated by States parties, to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 31 December 2021 (see sect. I). The names of persons nominated by States parties appear in section II. The names of the other seven members who will continue to serve on the Committee until 31 December 2023 appear in section III.
2. In accordance with the procedure set out in article 72 (3) of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 11 January 2021, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of seven members of the Committee by 31 March 2021. All the curricula vitae received by 31 March 2021 are included in the annex to the present document. Addenda to the present note will be issued for nominations received after the deadline of 31 March 2021.
3. In compliance with the provisions of article 72 (3) of the Convention, the Secretary-General has the honour to list below, in alphabetical order, the names of the persons nominated for election to the Committee, indicating the States parties that nominated them. Biographical data of the persons nominated, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in the annex to the present document.
4. In addition, in compliance with paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 68/268, the current situation with respect to the composition of the Committee, reflecting the balance in terms of geographical distribution and gender representation, professional background and different legal systems, as well as the tenure of current members, is contained in sections I and II of the present document.



5. In paragraph 13 of its resolution 68/268, the General Assembly encouraged States parties, in the election of treaty body experts, to give due consideration, as stipulated in the relevant human rights instruments, to equitable geographical distribution, the representation of the different forms of civilization and the principal legal systems, balanced gender representation and the participation of experts with disabilities in the membership of the human rights treaty bodies.

I. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2021*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Álvaro Botero Navarro	Colombia	2018
Ms. Fatima Diallo	Senegal	2020
Mr. Ermal Frasheri	Albania	2018
Mr. Md. Shahidul Haque	Bangladesh	2014
Mr. Prasad Kariyawasam	Sri Lanka	2004
Mr. Mamane Oumaria	Niger	2018
Mr. Azad Taghi Zada	Azerbaijan	2018, and from 2004 to 2015

II. Candidates nominated by States parties** **

<i>Name</i>	<i>Nominated by</i>
Mr. Pablo Ceriani Cernadas	Argentina
Ms. Fatima Diallo	Senegal
Ms. Jasminka Dzumhur	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Mr. Ermal Frasheri	Albania
Mr. Mamane Oumaria	Niger
Mr. Azad Taghi Zada	Azerbaijan

III. Members who will continue to serve on the Committee until 31 December 2023*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Khaled Cheikhna Babacar	Mauritania	2020
Mr. Mohammed Charef	Morocco	2019
Mr. Edgar Corzo Sosa	Mexico	2020
Mr. Pablo César García Sáenz	Guatemala	2020
Ms. Myriam Poussi	Burkina Faso	2020, and from 2008 to 2013

* For the professional background, legal system and additional biographical data of the members, see the web page of the Committee (www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/Membership.aspx).

** For the curricula vitae of the persons nominated by the States parties, see annex.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Lazhar Soualem	Algeria	2018
Mr. Can Ünver	Turkey	2016

Annex

Curricula vitae*

Pablo Ceriani Cernadas (Argentina)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 27 March 1973, Buenos Aires

Place of residence: Vicente López, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Nationality: Argentine

United Nations working languages: Spanish (native); English, Portuguese (advanced); French, Catalan (basic)

Current position/function

Director, Postgraduate Programme in Migration, Asylum and Human Rights, National University of Lanús, Argentina;

Coordinator, Migration and Asylum Programme, Institute of Justice and Human Rights, National University of Lanús;

Professor, Human Rights of Migrants, at: (a) the University of Buenos Aires (UBA), in the Faculty of Law and Diploma Programme in Migrant and Refugee Protection; (b) the National University of Lanús, in the Master's Programme in Human Rights; (c) the National University of San Martín, in the Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratization; and (d) Simón Bolívar Andean University (Bolivia), in the Master's Programme in Human Rights and Vulnerable Populations.

Main professional activities

Former member (2014–2017) and Vice-Chair (2016–2017) of the Committee on Migrant Workers;

Consultant to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), International Organization for Migration (IOM) and International Labour Organization (ILO) on several initiatives (involving research, training, technical assistance, fact-finding missions and other activities) on migration policies, migrants' rights, children in the context of migration, migration and gender, and labour migration;

Member of the Migration Research Leaders' Syndicate (IOM);

Member of the Advisory Board to the Independent Expert for the United Nations Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty (General Assembly resolution 69/157) (2017–2019);

Member of the Advisory Council of the "South-South Migration, Inequality and Development Hub" initiative led by Coventry University in partnership with other universities of Africa, the Americas, Asia and Europe (<https://www.mideq.org/en/>) (2019–2024);

Member of a research working group comprising researchers from the Americas, Europe, Africa and Oceania, formed to draft a report on cross-border violations of children's rights, to be presented before the International Law Association in Kyoto (2020–2021).

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

Guest professor invited to teach short courses on migration and/or human rights at universities in Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Italy, Mexico, Peru, Spain, Switzerland, the United

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and other countries;

Lawyer at the Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales (CELS), responsible for coordinating activities related to cases and initiatives involving the human rights of migrants, coordinating the immigrant and refugee rights legal clinic (UBA-CELS-CAREF) and representing CELS on the steering committee of Migrants Rights International (MRI) (1999–2007);

Adviser on migrants' rights, International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) (2007–2008);

Attended a number of international meetings on migration, including the Global Forum on Migration and Development in 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2020, the High-level Dialogues on International Migration and Development held in New York in 2006 and 2013 and the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance in 2001;

Professor of Human Rights at the University of Buenos Aires, covering topics such as regional and universal human rights bodies and protection mechanisms (1999–2005).

Educational background

Graduate:

Law, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, University of Buenos Aires.

Postgraduate:

(a) *Doctor en Derechos Humanos* (doctorate in human rights), University of Valencia; (i) Doctoral thesis on human rights, children and migration, received cum laude with a grade of outstanding (2016); (ii) *Diploma de Estudios Avanzados* (diploma in advanced studies). Thesis on controlling irregular immigration in Spain in the light of human rights treaties. Grade: outstanding (2008);

(b) *Magister en Migraciones internacionales* (master's degree in international migration), European University of Madrid (2011);

(c) *Experto Jurídico en Migración Internacional y Personas en Movimiento Transnacional* (legal expert on international migration and persons in transnational movement), European University of Madrid (2004).

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights (2014–2021)

Ceriani Cernadas, Pablo. *Los derechos de los niños y niñas no acompañados en la Frontera Sur Española* ("The rights of unaccompanied children in the southern Spanish border area"). Madrid: UNICEF Comité Español, 2019.

Niñez y Migración en Centro y Norte América: causas, políticas, prácticas y desafíos ("Children and migration in Central and North America"), Ceriani Cernadas, Pablo, K. Musalo and L. Frydman, coord. and eds. Various authors. Oakland, 2015.

Migrar en las Américas: Movilidad Humana, Información y Derechos Humanos ("Migration in the Americas: Human mobility, information and human rights"), Ceriani Cernadas, Pablo, R. Córdova and J. Knippen, coord. Mexico: Editorial Gedisa, 2014

Ceriani Cernadas, Pablo and V. Jaramillo Fonnegra. *Políticas migratorias y Derechos Humanos en América Latina: Prácticas progresivas, viejos desafíos, preocupantes retrocesos y nuevos retos*. In *Abordajes sociojurídicos contemporáneos para el estudio de las migraciones internacionales*, L. Gandini, ed. Mexico: UNAM, 2021.

Commentary to the chapter "Other Forms of Protection Beyond the Regional Refugee Regime". In *Latin America and Refugee Protection: regimes, logics and challenges*, M. Vera-Espinoza, L. Jubilut and G. Mezzanotti, eds., 2021.

La regularización migratoria como condición esencial para la protección integral de los derechos de niños, niñas y adolescentes en contexto de movilidad humana ("Migratory regularization as an essential condition for the comprehensive protection of the rights of

children in the context of human mobility”). Technical note prepared for the UNICEF Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2020.

Migration Policies and Human Rights in Latin America. Progressive Practices, Old Challenges, Worrying Setbacks and New Threats. *Global Campus Policy Briefs*, 2018.

La promoción y protección de los derechos de migrantes a través del Comité de ONU de Trabajadores Migrantes y sus Familias: Reflexiones basadas en la experiencia como Miembro del Comité (“Promoting and protecting the rights of migrants through the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families: reflections based on experience as a member of the Committee”). *Revista Migraciones Internacionales: Reflexiones desde Argentina*, No. 3, pp. 29–50, 2018.

Back to Basics? The limited use of immigration detention in South America: an interpretation based in human rights treaties and principles. In *Challenging Immigration Detention: Academics, Activists and Policy Makers*, Flynn and Flynn, eds. Edward Elgar Publishing, pp. 239–264, 2017.

The Principle of No-Detention of Migrant Children in International Human Rights Law. *Protecting Children against Torture in Detention: Global Solutions for a Global Problem*. Washington, D.C.: American University Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, pp. 235–248, 2017.

Language as a migration policy tool: Critical remarks on the concept of “economic migrant” and how it leads to human rights violations. *Sur: International Journal on Human Rights*, No. 23 (July) (Spanish, English and Portuguese), 2016.

Kein Mensch ist Illegal: Ein Einblick in das innovative argentinische Einwanderungsrecht (“No human is illegal. Notes on the innovative Argentine migration law”). *Kulturaustausch: Neuland*, No. II, 2016.

The human rights of children in the context of international migration. In *Routledge International Handbook of Children’s Rights Studies*, Wouter Vandenhoe, Ellen Desmet, Didier Reynaert and Sara Lembrechts, eds. Routledge, 2015.

Improving Migrants’ Rights in Times of Crisis: Migration Policy in Argentina since 2003. In *Global Migration: Myths and Realities*, D. Acosta Arcarazo and A. Wiesbrock, eds. Praeger, 2015.

Ceriani Cernadas, Pablo and F. Freier. Migration policies and policymaking in Latin America and the Caribbean: lights and shadows in a region in transition. In *A Liberal Tide? Immigration and Asylum Law and Policy in Latin America*. School of Advanced Study, University of London, pp. 11–32, 2015.

Migraciones y Derechos Humanos: El Rol del Comité de Protección de los Derechos de Todos los Trabajadores Migrantes y sus Familias, de Naciones Unidas – Desafíos y oportunidades en un escenario complejo (“Migration and human rights: The role of the United Nations Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families – Challenges and opportunities in a complex scenario”). *Derechos Humanos*, No. 8, pp. 83–101. Buenos Aires, 2015.

Fatima Diallo (Senegal)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 15 July 1981

Working languages: French and English

Current position/function

Executive Director of the Centre de Recherche et d'Action sur les Droits Economiques, Sociaux et Culturels (Centre for Research and Action on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights);

Vice-Chair and independent expert of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families;

Representative of French-speaking Africa on the Africa Steering Committee of the Publish What You Pay coalition.

Main professional activities

Programme Manager for Senegal and Guinea at Natural Justice (2020–2018);

Senior Researcher, Human Rights and Indigenous Values, Cape Town University, South Africa (2014–2018, as a consultant after 2016);

Doctoral Researcher, African Studies Centre, Leiden University, Netherlands (2012–2016);

Analyst and Assistant Programme Manager, Plan for an Emerging Senegal, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Finance, Senegal (2013);

Deputy Secretary-General of the African Network of Constitutional Lawyers (2009–2016);

Country of Origin Information for Senegal, Rights in Exile Programme (2015–present);

International human rights consultant (2009–present).

Educational background

Doctorat en Anthropologie Juridique (doctorate in legal anthropology), African Studies Centre, Leiden University, Netherlands (2016);

Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies en Droit Public (postgraduate diploma in public law), Gaston Berger University, Senegal (2008);

DESS en Droit du Cyberspace Africain (specialist postgraduate diploma in African cyberspace law), Gaston Berger University, Senegal (2009);

Maitrise en Droit Public (master's degree in public law), Gaston Berger University of Saint-Louis, Senegal (2006).

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

Directed research and advocacy projects on the social, economic and cultural rights of migrant domestic workers in Senegal.

COI (Country of Origin Information) expert at the Rights in Exile Programme, a part of the International Refugee Rights Initiative. In the role of expert witness and legal adviser, Ms. Diallo has helped several law firms and legal assistance providers around the world (including RelisLaw PLLC, Immigrant Justice Corps and the Erie County Bar Association) defend the rights of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees of West African origin generally and of Senegalese origin in particular.

Years of leadership at the African Network of Constitutional Lawyers on projects related to the protection and implementation of the human rights guaranteed by constitutions and set out in national laws and the various conventions ratified by African States.

Ten years of research and teaching experience at universities in Senegal and abroad on human rights in French-speaking Africa and Southern Africa.

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights

Interactional Pluralism in Southern Africa: Legal Hybridisation in the Judicial Arenas (2019). In Otis, dir. Canada: Laval University Press.

Direct Constitutional Protection of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Francophone Legal Systems: Senegal (2016) In Chirwa and Chenwi. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: Cambridge University Press.

Decolonisation and Teaching Law in Africa with Special Reference to Living Customary Law (2017). Potchefstroom Electronic Law Journal. South Africa.

Access to information in Africa: Law (2013). Boston, Leiden, Netherlands: Brill.

Jasminka Dzumhur (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Date and place of birth: 23.06.1963, Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Working languages: English, Russian, Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian

Current position/function

Ombudsperson for Human Rights of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Main professional activities

Legal expert and bar-associated lawyer with over 33 years of experience in the international and BiH justice sectors and demonstrated experience as a judge, senior court administrator, and legal technical assistance provider;

State Ombudsperson of BiH for 12 years, President for 7 years and Judge for 4 years of Zenica Misdemeanor court, practicing lawyer in BiH for 9 years;

Lecturer on Women Rights on the European Regional Master's Programme in Democracy and Human Rights in South East Europe (ERMA);

Elected member and Vice-Chair in the UN Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances (2010–2015) and the Committee on Migrant Rights (2016–2019);

Provided permanent consultancy to BiH ministries and NGOs;

Provided short-term consultancy to multiple international organizations including the Danish Refugee Council, the International Crises Group, OSCE, OECD, UNDP, UNICEF, UNIFEM, USAID, CoE and the Soros Foundation;

Standing trainer on training centre list for judges and prosecutors;

Delivered trainings to international and local police, judges, prosecutors, social workers, NGOs, and representatives of international organizations on human rights issues, particularly related to enforced disappearances, migration, IDPs, role of national human rights institutions in the protection and promotion of human rights;

Proven manager and team leader of more than 60 staff. Ability to work collaboratively and diplomatically to build relationships and produce results;

Cross-cutting expertise, with specialty in human rights and gender issues. Ability to independently identify areas for improvement and growth within this issue;

Founded two women-focused NGOs in BiH. In addition, one of four drafters of BiH human rights/gender legislation adopted in 2003;

Active engagement with BiH and international NGOs, civil society organizations, and women's associations. Selected to speak on status of women in justice and provide trainings on women's rights and discrimination;

Completed numerous trainings and seminars with international and BiH organizations on legal issues and gender topics, such as effective litigation of women's rights issues using regional and universal human rights mechanisms.

Educational background

Ph.D. of International Law, University of "Dzemail Bijedic" Mostar, Law Faculty Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2016;

MA, Criminology Sciences, Faculty of Criminology, Criminology and Security Studies, Sarajevo, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2009;

Bar examination, Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1994;

Diploma-Jurist, Faculty of Law, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1987.

Post-qualification training courses/learning activities

Women's Human Rights Training Institute (WHRTI), The Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation (BGRF) in cooperation with its partners the Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR) and the Network of East-West Women (NEWW), Sofia, Bulgaria 2004–2005;

International training Center of the ILO, Training: "Promotion of Women Workers' Rights and Equality in Employment" Sarajevo, 2000;

Advantage training on human rights and leadership of women, WLDI, Institute, Poland and Hungary, 1998–1999.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

Delivering trainings to police, judges, prosecutors, social workers, NGOs, representatives of IPTF, SFOR/EUFOR, EUPM on human rights, dealing with the problems of trafficking of human beings, illegal migration and asylum, domestic violence, gender based violence;

Participation in drafting of laws and by-laws (Law on Movement and Stay Aliens and Asylum, Law on Gender Equality, Law on Protection from Domestic Violence, Rulebook on Protection Trafficking Victims-Foreigners);

Providing permanent consultancy to responsible B&H ministries, NGOs on issues related to migration, labour rights of migrants and trafficking in human beings.

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights

Published the Handbook on the Protection of Victims of human trafficking in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina;

Prepared the BiH Ombudsmen submission to the Committee on Rights of Migrants Workers (CMWR);

Drafted the Rulebook on the Protection of Domestic Victims of Trafficking.

Ermal Frasheri (Albania)

Date and place of birth: October 31, 1974; Tirana, Albania

Place of residence: Albania, USA

Nationality (ies): Albanian

United Nations working languages: English, French

Current position/function

Senior Fellow, Center for International Development, Harvard University;

Adjunct Professor, Sturm College of Law, Denver University;

Member, Committee on Migrant Workers, United Nations.

Main professional activities

Dr. Ermal Frasheri is a Senior Fellow at the Growth Lab, Harvard University. Ermal's expertise in the areas of law and economic development, trade, migration, and institutional capacity building informs a number of research collaborative engagements on economic development strategies, such as in Albania, Jordan, Sri Lanka, and Panama. Furthermore, in his capacity as an Adjunct Professor, Ermal has consistently taught courses and seminars on Law and Corruption, International Trade Law, and International Law and Migration. Since January 2018, Ermal serves as an independent expert at the Committee on Migrant Workers. Ermal finished his doctoral studies, S.J.D., at Harvard Law School, and has written on modernization and economic development, European Union, international law, and migration.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

Since January 2018, Ermal serves as an independent expert at the Committee on Migrant Workers. In that capacity, Ermal has served as co-rapporteur on a number of state review reports, a member of the CMW working group on the general comment No. 5, and a focal point for the UN 2020 Agenda on the treaty body reforms.

As a scholar engaged in public policy, Ermal has worked on enhancing the engagement of the Albanian diaspora with the home country, as well as exploring ways to rethink the role that migrants bring to the dissemination of knowledge and economic transformation.

Educational background

Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.), Harvard Law School;

Master of Laws (LL.M.) Harvard Law School.

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights

“Global Migration and Political Regimes,” presentation at the “Political Emigration in Albania: 1944–1990” conference, Tirana, Albania (Feb. 2020);

“On the prison system, internment and forced labor during the communist regime in Albania” (co-authored, Nov. 2018);

“A Comparative View of Immigration Frameworks in Asia: Enhancing the Flow of Knowledge through Migration” (co-authored, Oct. 2017);

“Immigration and Economic Transformation: A Concept Note” (co-authored, Apr. 2017).

Mamane Oumaria (Niger)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 1 January 1952, Matamèye, Niger**Working languages:** French, English (intermediate level)**Current position/function**

Chief adviser to the Prime Minister, and Head of the Department of Governance and Social Modernization (in charge of human rights and issues relating to migration);

Member of the interministerial committee on preparing reports for treaty bodies and the universal periodic review (including the report of the Niger on the rights of migrant workers and members of their families);

International human rights consultant, including several missions on behalf of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;

Lecturer in human rights at the University of Niamey and Swiss University of Niger;

Member of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (2018–2021).

Main professional activities

Director of the Office of the President of the National Development Council (decision-making body for all issues related to development, including year-round employment for young people in rural areas to avoid or limit immigration);

President of the National Commission for Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of the Niger from 1999 to 2003; participation, in this capacity, in sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Council and treaty bodies in Geneva, and at sessions of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and its mechanisms, including the one on refugees, migrants and internally displaced persons from 2000 to date;

Chair of the subcommittee on monitoring slavery-like practices, International Conference of National Human Rights Institutions, Copenhagen (Denmark) and Lund (Sweden), 2002;

International human rights consultant, conducting missions to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Comoros and Mauritania on behalf of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to arrange dialogues between government, parliament and civil society on the creation of a national human rights institution and to prepare organizational acts for these institutions (dialogues organized in the three above-mentioned countries);

Director of the Office of the Ombudsman;

Secretary-General of the Niger Association for the Defence of Human Rights, providing, for example, refugees with advice and assistance;

Study on violence against women and children in the Maradi and Dosso regions of the Niger;

Member of the drafting committee that prepared the report of the Niger for consideration by the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination at its eighty-seventh session, in Geneva on 6–7 August 2015, and a member of the delegation of the Niger;

Member of the drafting committee that prepared the report of the Niger for the second cycle of the universal periodic review and member of the delegation of the Niger at the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth sessions of the Human Rights Council (Geneva, January and June 2016).

Educational background

Maîtrise en droit public, science politique (master's degree in public law and political science), University of Dakar, 1976;

Diplôme en Administration Publique (diploma in public administration), International Institute of Public Administration (IIAP), Paris, 1979;

Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies en droit (postgraduate diploma in law), University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, 1979;

Diplômé en Justice Transitionnelle (diploma in transitional justice), International Center for Transitional Justice, New York, 2008;

Diploma from the International Academy for Constitutional Law, Tunis, 2015;

Certification in human rights (International Federation for Human Rights, 1995; Danish Centre for Human Rights, 2000);

Baccalauréat Philosophie/Lettre (baccalaureate in arts) (with distinction), Lycée National de Niamey, 1972.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

Participation in a study on migration in the Niger;

Member of the drafting committee that prepared the report of the Niger to the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, and member of the delegation of the Niger to the Committee on 30–31 August 2016 in Geneva;

Rapporteur of the State Governance Centre under the Office of the Prime Minister, with monthly discussions on issues related to governance, irregular migration, trafficking and security, in particular the situation of migrant workers in Agadès and in the Dirkou transit site on the Libyan border;

Director of vocational training (apprenticeships, supervision by vocational training centres, monitoring of national policies on vocational training);

Chief adviser to the Prime Minister, in charge of human rights and issues related to migration;

Follow-up on the diplomatic plan to hold talks with representatives of European Governments on issues related to migration, alongside the Prime Minister.

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights

Le Niger à la croisée des chemins de l'immigration vers l'Europe ou l'équation géographique ("The Niger at the crossroads of immigration to Europe or the geographic question"), 2016;

Stratégie et tactique des candidats à l'immigration en transit au Niger ("Strategy and tactics of potential immigrants in transit in the Niger"), 2015.

Azad Taghi-Zada (Azerbaijan)

Date and place of birth: 3 March 1953, Baku, Azerbaijan

Place of residence: Baku, Azerbaijan

Nationality (ies): Azerbaijani

United Nations working languages: English, Russian

Current position/function

Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Adviser to the Minister;

Azerbaijan Deposit Insurance Fund, member of the Board of Trustees;

Turkic World Mathematical Society, Board member;

Member of Editorial Board, TWMS Journal of Pure and Applied Mathematics.

Main professional activities

Participation in analysing, forecasting and preparation of social policy for the population in Azerbaijan including demography, employment and labour migration aspects;

Developing cooperation with international organizations and relevant ministries of foreign countries in the field of activities, including social policy for migrant workers;

Participation in preparation of bilateral international agreements to protect the rights of migrant workers with Ukraine, Turkey, Belarus, Moldova, Kazakhstan and etc.;

Initiated and participated in the organization of mission of the Committee on Migrant Workers to Baku, Azerbaijan, September 2019 (sponsored by Azerbaijani government) with purpose to provide an opportunity for the Committee and two members of the Secretariat to engage in informal setting, in a brainstorming of key elements related to the Committee's mandate, and also others on the relevance of the Convention and related elements.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Committee on Migrant Workers

As member (in the period of 2003–2015, 2018–2021) and Vice-Chairman (in the period of 2008–2015, since 2021) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families:

- Examines reports of State parties, participates in preparation of general comments;
- As country rapporteur participates in preparation of lists of issues and concluding observations for Tajikistan, México, Albania, Egypt and etc.

As an expert participated with reports at various international forums:

- “Rights of Labour Migrants” at a regional meeting of Labour Migration Authorities and Ombudsmen, Tajikistan;
- “Globalization, Migration and Human Rights” at the World Human Rights Forum in Marrakech;
- “Macroeconomic Trends” at the workshop “Macroeconomic policies, jobs and inclusive growth”, ILO, ITC, Turin.

Educational background

1970–1975: M.V. Lomonosov Moscow State University, Mechanics and Mathematics faculty, bachelor and master's degree;

1975–1979: Post-graduate education, M.V. Lomonosov Moscow State University, thesis on “Some questions of the entropy theory of groups actions”, Ph.D. in Mathematics degree;

1983–1985: Institute of Foreign Languages, Baku, English Literature faculty, Bachelor degree;

Various courses and trainings organized by the United Nations, European Union, IOM, ILO and other international bodies on human rights, actuarial mathematics, demography, socioeconomic forecasting, migration and etc.

List of most recent publications in the field of migration and human rights

“Forecasting of socio-economic indicators”, Baku, 2002, pp. 1–48;

“Living standards (assessment, analysis, results, recommendations)”, Baku, 2014, pp. 1–66;

“Demographics”, Baku, 2014, pp. 1–36;

“Youth in the labour market” Baku, 2014, pp. 1–44;

“Forecasting of demographics”, Baku, 2016, pp. 1–25.
