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Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: biographical information on candidates

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The procedure for the election of members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, as established in Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/17, is outlined in document E/2012/9/Add.3. The list of current members is contained in the annex to that document.
2. In a note verbale dated 20 October 2011, the Secretary-General invited States parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights to submit their nominations for membership in the Committee within three months.
3. Biographical information on the candidates nominated by States parties to the Covenant is contained in the annex to the present note.



Annex

Biographical information on candidates for election to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights^a

Mohamed Ezzeldin Abdel-Moneim (Egypt)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: 24 November 1944, Port Said, Egypt

Working languages: English, French and Arabic

A brief personal history

Mr. Abdel-Moneim is currently Associate Professor of International Law and Organization at Suez Canal and Al-Azhar Universities. He has been a lecturer on international human rights law at the Programme for Capacity-Building on Human Rights, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Egypt (2006-2011); a member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of the Economic and Social Council (2005 to present); Vice-Chair of the Committee (2009-2011); a member of the joint expert group of the Committee and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) on the right to education (2011-present); and a member of the National Committee for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (2006-2008).

He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Centre for Future Studies, Suez Canal University (1996-2004); a member of the Board of Directors of the Centre of Political and International Studies, Faculty of Economics, Cairo University (1996-2004); a member of the American Society of International Law (1987-1996); a member of the Committee on Economic, Legal and Political Studies at the Supreme Council for Higher Education (2004-2009); a member of the Egyptian Committee for the Promotion of International Humanitarian Law (1996-2004); Adviser to the Chairman of the National Council on Human Rights (2005); and Assistant Foreign Minister for Multilateral Affairs (2002-2005).

Mr. Abdel-Moneim has been a lecturer on international organizations at Cairo University since 1994 and a lecturer on non-governmental organizations at the same university since 2007. He has been Alternate Representative to the United Nations Office at Vienna on matters related to refugees, women, the elderly and crime prevention (1987-1991) and contributed to the interregional consultations on social welfare policies held at the United Nations in Vienna in 1982. He contributed to the drafting of human rights-related resolutions and documents adopted by multilateral forums, including the United Nations, the Movement of Non-aligned Countries and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, from 1994 to 2004. Studies, lectures and publications by Mr. Abdel-Moneim include “Areas of action for the South in the 21st century” and “The global environment and the use of economic sanctions” for the University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa, published in 2001 and 2003, respectively; “Six pillars of wisdom: human rights in the Arab region”, at the Doha

^a The complete curriculum vitae of each candidate may be consulted in the files of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council.

Forum on Democracy, Development and Free Trade, April 2007; “Implementation of the United Nations human development report for Egypt” for UNDP, Egypt, 2005; “Implementation of the United Nations millennium goals/United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for Egypt” for UNDP and the League of Arab States, 2006; “Current trends in the international protection of human rights”; “The United Nations Human Rights Council and the international machinery for the protection of economic, social and cultural rights” for the human rights capacity-building programme, 2007; “The protection of human rights at national and international levels” for officers of law-enforcement agencies in Egypt; “The role of national human rights institutions in the promotion of economic, social and cultural rights: lessons for the establishment of a mandate for the National Council for Human Rights”, 2005; “Globalization and economic rights for trade union activists”, 2007; and contributions to “Proceedings of the International Colloquium on the 80th Anniversary of the ILO Committee of Experts”, International Labour Organization, Geneva, 24-26 November 2006.

Mr. Abdel-Moneim obtained his PhD from the Graduate Institute of International Studies, University of Geneva.

Maria del Rocío Barahona Riera (Costa Rica)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 26 October 1952 in Costa Rica

Working languages: Spanish and English

Education

Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, University of Costa Rica, 1978

Master's Degree in Law, University of Barcelona, 1982

Graduate courses in international law, University of Costa Rica, 1986

Doctorate in International Law, Universities of Perugia and Rome, 1988-1990

Doctoral candidate, Political Science and Latin American studies, Arcis University, Chile, 1997

Other diplomas and courses

Diploma in Criminology, Complutense University, Madrid, 1979

Diploma from the School of Juridical Practices, University of Zaragoza, 1983

Course on transfer of technology and patents, World Industrial Property Organization, Moscow, 1985

Internship in Argentina, Chile and Peru in industrial property and transfer of technology, 1985

Interdisciplinary human rights course, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IIDAH), Costa Rica, 1986

Course on globalization, markets and technology in contemporary societies, United Nations Office at Vienna, 1997

Course on gender, education and politics in the countries of the European Community, United Nations Office at Vienna, 1997

Professional experience

Project coordinator, Centro de Orientación Familiar (Family Guidance Centre), 1975-1976

Research director, United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (ILANUD), 1976

Coordinator, Fund for Technological Development and International Affairs, National Council for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICIT), Costa Rica, 1984-1986

Expert for the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Geneva, 2000-2012

Expert in the area of human rights/economic, social and cultural rights

Consultant and speaker at regional and international forums on economic, social and cultural rights, 2000-2011

Diplomatic activities

Consul in Moscow, 1978

Minister Counsellor, Chargé d'affaires a.i., Rome, 1992-1993

Consul-General, Milan, 1993-1995

Academic activities

Researcher, Centre for the Study of International Law (CERCI), National Research Council (CNR), Rome, 1988-1991

Consultancies

External consultant on the Constituent Treaty of the Central American Parliament to the Legislative Assembly and other political forums, 1986-1987

Consultant on crisis and modernization in political parties in Latin America, 1995

Consultant to the Centre for the Study of International Law, Rome, 1995-1998

Consultant on economic integration systems in the Andean countries, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), 1996-1997

Recent appointments

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Rapporteur for the formulation of a general comment on the right to sexual and reproductive health, 2011

Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Current positions

Visiting professor, Central University of Quito, Ecuador and Alcalá de Henares University, Spain

Lecturer in research methods, theory of the State, public international law, University of Costa Rica

Expert consultant in human rights, economic, social and cultural rights, sexual and reproductive health rights, gender equality, family issues, and economic, social and cultural rights indicators

Jun Cong (China)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: August 1950, China

Working languages: Chinese, English

Education

1990-1991: Tufts University, Boston, United States of America

1973-1975: University of Wales, London School of Economics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Work experience

2010: Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

2008-2010: Deputy Secretary-General of the China Centre for International Economic Exchanges

2003-2008: Minister Counselor, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations

2001-2003: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of China to Estonia

1999-2001: Deputy Secretary-General of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs

1994-1999: Deputy Director-General and Director-General of the Department of International Cooperation of the National Population and Family Planning Commission

1993-1994: Division Director of Technology Company of China International Trust and Investment Corporation

1991-1993: First Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations

1982-1990: Third Secretary, Second Secretary, Deputy Director and First Secretary, Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1977-1982: Desk officer, Attaché, Third Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations

1975-1977: Desk officer, Department of Translation and Interpretation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Participation in United Nations and other international conferences

1994: Alternate Representative of China to the International Conference on Population and Development

1997: Adviser to the delegation of China to the Fifth Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Social Development

1998: Member of the delegation of China to the thirty-first session of the Commission on Population and Development

- 1999: Member of the delegation of China to the twenty-first special session of the General Assembly (five-year review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development)
- 2010: Member of the delegation of China to the International Conference on Green Economy and International Cooperation on Climate Change
- 2010: Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights at its forty-fifth session
- 2011: Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights at its forty-sixth session

Zdzislaw Kedzia (Poland)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: 2 July 1943, Radom, Poland

Education

- 1992: Professor of Law — academic title given by the President of the State
- 1980: Habilitated Doctor of Law, Institute of Legal Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences
- 1972: Doctor of Law, Adam-Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland
- 1966: Master of Law, Adam-Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland

Current positions

Professor, Chair of Constitutional Law, Faculty of Law and Administration, Adam-Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland (teaching subjects: constitutional law, international human rights law)

Vice-Chair of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

National Director of the European Masters Programme in Human Rights, member of the Board of the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratization

Honorary Professor of the University of Hagen, Germany

Professional experience

Academic experience

Professor at the Institute of Legal Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences and Director of the Poznań Human Rights Centre (until 1991)

Expert adviser to the Parliament on human rights and constitutional matters (1989-1991)

Expert on human rights and constitutional matters at the round-table talks between the Solidarity opposition and the Government in 1989

Expert adviser to the Commissioner for Citizens' Rights-Ombudsman (1987-1991)

Member of the Boards of the Institute of Federalism of Fribourg University, Switzerland, and of the Institute for German and European Law on Political Parties, Düsseldorf University, Germany

Coordinator of research projects on human rights and constitutional law at Polish and foreign academic institutions

Lectures and seminars at universities in Austria, China, the Czech Republic, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine and the United States of America, including within the Hague Academy of International Law, the annual course at the International Human Rights Institute in Strasbourg, France, and

the annual session of the Institute of International Public Law and International Relations of Thessaloniki, Greece

Research at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg, Germany, and the Law Faculty of the University of Zürich, Switzerland

Founder and editor of academic journals related to the international protection of human rights

International organizations

Chief of the Research and Right to Development Branch, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (2001-2005)

Chief a.i. of the Programmes and Activities Branch, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (1999-2001)

Senior Adviser to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (1994-1999)

Diplomatic service

Minister-Counselor, Permanent Mission of Poland to the United Nations Office at Geneva (1991-1994)

Alternate Member of the Venice Commission “Democracy through Law” (1991-1994)

Rapporteur of the forty-ninth session of the Commission on Human Rights (1994)

General Rapporteur of the Second World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna (1993)

Representative of Poland in the Third Committee of the General Assembly (1993)

Rapporteur of the Preparatory Committee to the World Conference on Human Rights (1991-1993)

Head of the delegation of Poland to the forty-seventh and forty-eighth sessions of the Commission on Human Rights (1992-1993)

Senior Adviser to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland on human rights (1990-1991)

Representative of Poland on the Steering Committee on Human Rights of the Council of Europe (1990-1991)

Mikel Mancisidor (Spain)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: Bilbao, Spain, 8 June 1970

Working languages: Spanish, English and French

Education

Master's Degree in Law, University of Deusto, Bilbao

Diploma in international humanitarian aid management, University of Deusto, Bilbao

Network on Humanitarian Assistance (NOHA), Master's programme, specialization in international geopolitics at Louvain-la-Neuve University, Belgium

Diploma in European studies, Institute of European Studies, University of Deusto

Master's Degree in Environmental Management, *Instituto de Investigaciones Ecológicas* (Ecological Research Institute), in cooperation with the Open International University, London

Doctorate programme in international relations at the University of the Basque Country

Professional experience

European Union coordinator of the department for human rights, humanitarian action and relations of *Mundubat* (www.mundubat.org), a non-governmental development organization

Member of the steering committee for the international human rights office of *Acción Colombia*

Director of coordination for the Gernika Gogoratuz Foundation for peace studies and conflict transformation (www.gernikagogoratuz.org)

Volunteer management assistant, Conflict, Development and Peace Network, London

Supervisor for legal research relating to Spain for the Comparative Nonprofit Sector Project, Johns Hopkins University

Lecturer for: Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratization, Externado University of Colombia, Bogota; human rights training course for cooperation stakeholders at the Human Rights Institute of Catalonia, Barcelona, Spain; director of various summer courses at the University of the Basque Country; occasional coursework at several universities: Complutense University of Madrid, Carlos III University of Madrid and the University of the Basque Country

Current positions

Director of UNESCO Etxea — UNESCO Basque Country Centre since 2004, an organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and maintaining official relations with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) (www.unescoetxea.org)

Lecturer in international public law at the University of Deusto (www.deusto.es)

Publications

Significant articles in multi-author books include:

Mikel Mancisidor, “Los derechos económicos, sociales y culturales: una puesta al día”, in Manuela Mesa (ed.), Anuario CEIPAZ 2010-2011, *Balance de una década de paz y conflictos: tensiones y retos en el sistema internacional* (Barcelona, Icaria, 2010), pp. 105-128

Mikel Mancisidor, Lena Salamé, Andrés Szöllözi-Nagy, Vladimir Volodin (Co-chairs), Outcome of the International Experts’ Meeting on the Right to Water (published in Spanish, English and French)

Mikel Mancisidor (ed.), *The Human Right to Water* (Barcelona, Icaria Editorial, 2009) (also in Spanish) and an article in the same volume: “The Water Paradigms”, pp. 79-104

Mikel Mancisidor (ed.), *La Paz como Derecho Humano* (Madrid, Monográfico Tiempo de Paz, 2008) and the introduction on pp. 6-8

Mikel Mancisidor, “Aproximación al Agua (y Saneamiento) como objetivo de un Derecho Humano”, in “Agua: el desafío del siglo XXI”, *Ágora. Revista de Ciencias Sociales* (Valencia, Fundación CEPS, 2008), pp. 109-133

Xesús R. Jares, Josu Ugarte, Mikel Mancisidor, María Oianguren (coords.): *El papel de la investigación para la paz ante la violencia en el País Vasco* (Bilbao, Bakeaz, 2006) and introduction to the article on pp. 87-91

Mikel Mancisidor, “La Contribución de la UNESCO a la Paz en la era de la Globalización”, in Maria Eugenia Rodriguez Palop, *Desafíos actuales a los derechos humanos: reflexiones sobre el derecho a la paz* (Madrid, Carlos III University of Madrid, 2006)

Mikel Mancisidor, “Los retos de los derechos humanos en el marco de las relaciones internacionales de comienzos del siglo XXI”, in “Palabras para cambiar el mundo” (Bilbao, GAKOA, 2004)

Eoin McGirr and Mikel Mancisidor, “La legalidad internacional del uso de la fuerza contra Irak (con especial atención a la posición española)”, Legal opinion for the Federación Española de Asociaciones de Defensa y Protección de los Derechos Humanos, Bilbao-Madrid, February 2003, 52 pages offset

Editor of *Ensayos de UNESCO Etxea*, Editorial Catarata, including contributions from the former Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and former Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations, Peter Piot; Nobel Peace Prize winner Wangari Maathai; and Stéphane Hessel

Sergei Martynov (Belarus)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: 22 February 1953, Belarus

Working languages: English, Russian, French

Education

Moscow State Institute of International Relations, summa cum laude, 1970-1975

Professional activities

- 1975-1980: Department of International Economic Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (International Labour Organization, European Economic Commission)
- 1980-1988: Assistant to the Minister for Foreign Affairs
- 1988-1991: Deputy Head, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (responsible for political, social and economic issues)
- 1991-1992: Deputy Permanent Representative of Belarus to the United Nations, New York (responsible for political, social and economic issues)
- 1992-1993: Chargé d'affaires of the Embassy of Belarus to the United States of America
- 1993-1997: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belarus to the United States of America
- 1997-2000: First Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus (bilateral and multilateral political affairs, social and economic issues)
- 2001-2003: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belarus to Belgium, Head of the Mission of Belarus to the European Communities, Head of the Mission of Belarus to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- Since March 2003: Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus

Professional experience

- 1991-1997: Vice-Chair of the First Committee of the General Assembly, Chair of the Nuclear Disarmament Group of the Disarmament Commission (three times), Vice-Chair and Rapporteur of the Disarmament Commission (several times)
- 1991: Vice-President of the Amendment Conference of the States Parties to the 1963 Treaty Banning Nuclear Tests in the Atmosphere in Outer Space and Under Water
- 1998: Chair of the Disarmament Commission
- 2000: President of the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva

Current position

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus since March 2003

Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights since 2001

Publications (most recent)

“The EU and Belarus: time for a fresh start”, *The EU and Belarus: Between Moscow and Brussels* (article in the book published in 2002 in the United Kingdom by Federal Trust, whose aim is to enlighten public debate on the issues of national, continental and global government), pp. 303-316

“Economic reform for creating an independent State”, *Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun* (Japanese weekly business newspaper), 4 September 2003

“In step with time. Or better one step ahead”, *Delo East+West* (Belarusian international analytical bulletin), No. 6, 2003

“Belarus and its relations with the USA and EU (Belarus und seine Beziehungen zu den USA und der EU)” *Wostok: Informationen aus dem Osten für den Westen* (German magazine for business and government circles), No. 3, 2003

Articles in national and foreign magazines and newspapers dedicated to the problems of observance of social and economic rights of people living in the Commonwealth of Independent States region, 2004-2007

“Human trafficking: beyond the Protocol”, *Forced Migration Review* (magazine on refugee, internal displacement and statelessness issues), No. 31, 2008

“Exploding three myths”, *International Herald Tribune* (the global edition of *The New York Times*), 3 December 2009

Ariranga Govindasamy Pillay (Mauritius)

Date of birth: 14 June 1945

Working languages: English and French

Education

Lincoln's Inn, London, Barrister-at-Law, 1972

Merton College, Oxford, United Kingdom, BA (Honours) in Jurisprudence, 1969

The London School of Economics and Political Science, London, BSc (Honours) in Economics, 1966-1969

Scholarship and fellowships

Fellowship awarded by the Government of the United States of America for research study on minority rights and the American judicial system, 1994

United Nations fellowship for participation in international law seminar, 1985

United Nations human rights fellowship in constitutional law and human rights at the School of Oriental and African Studies, London, 1981

United Nations/UNITAR fellowship in international law, 1979

State scholarship awarded under the Laureate Scheme to pursue tertiary education in the United Kingdom, 1965

Professional activities, decorations and awards in Mauritius

Legal consultant (2007-present)

Chief Justice of Mauritius and Chairman of the Judicial and Legal Service Commission of Mauritius (1 May 1996-13 June 2007)

Awarded Gold Medal by the Bar Association of Mauritius (2004)

Honorary Professor of Law of the University of Mauritius (2002)

Puisne Judge and Acting Senior Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Mauritius (1987-1996)

Awarded by the State of Mauritius the Grand Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (1996)

Chair of the Council of Legal Education of Mauritius (1994-1996)

Legal adviser at the Attorney-General's Office and Ministry of Justice, having been appointed successively as Crown Counsel, Senior Crown Counsel, Principal Crown Counsel, Assistant Solicitor-General and Parliamentary Counsel (1972-1986)

Work, appointments and awards in the international field

Chair of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (May 2011-May 2012)

Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1997-present) and Vice-Chair of the Committee (April 2007-2009)

Resource person in human rights recruited from time to time by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Council of Europe (2003-present)

Adviser to the Governing Council of the African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies (1998-present)

Keynote speaker at the First General Assembly of the Asian Consortium for Human Rights-based Access to Justice, Chiang Mai, Thailand (August 2011)

Resource person in human rights acting on behalf of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Southern Africa (2008-present)

Member of the United Nations/Economic Community of West African States fact-finding team constituted to enquire into, and make a report on, the alleged deaths of some 44 Ghanaians in the Gambia (December 2008-April 2009)

President of the Tribunal of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) (27 November 2008-20 May 2011)

Regular member of the SADC Tribunal (2005-2008)

Honorary Bencher of Lincoln's Inn, United Kingdom (2001)

Honorary Fellow of the Society for Advanced Legal Studies, United Kingdom (2000)

Member of the Court of Appeals of Seychelles (1999-2003)

Chaired international moot competitions on human rights

Lydia Carmelita Ravenberg (Suriname)

Date and place of birth: 24 April 1953, Paramaribo, Suriname

Working languages: Dutch and English

Education

Master of Laws Diploma (Juris Doctor at the Anton de Kom University of Suriname)

One semester in the Master of Laws programme on human rights of the University of Utrecht (in 2000)

Post-graduate Diploma in international and comparative law, FHR Lim A Po Institute for Social Studies and International Institute of Social Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Hague, Netherlands (2011)

Several certificates from training courses for judges and public prosecutors at De Stichting Juridische Samenwerking Suriname Nederland (2000-2011)

Professional activities

Public Prosecutor in the Office of the Attorney General at the Court of Justice in Suriname (also serving as part of a special unit in this office in charge of human right issues)

Legal adviser to Suriname in the case Stefano Ajinthoena (Moiwana) vs. The Republic of Suriname and the case of the Saramaka People vs. The Republic of Suriname at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights

Legal adviser to Suriname in several cases pending at the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights as from 2002 to 2007

Member of the Commission of Legal Experts in Human Rights established by the President of Suriname (February 2002-March 2007)

Member of the delegation presenting the country report on racial discrimination in 2004 and the country report on civil and political rights in 2004

Member of the delegation presenting the national report at the universal periodic review in 2011

Lecturer in traffic law and human rights law at the professional training for police inspectors; counterpart with Judge Bob Wit (Caribbean Court of Justice) for the human rights course for public prosecutors in training; trainer in indigenous rights for participants in the Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition, 2011-2012

One of the judges in the Moot Court Competition at national level in 2009 and 2012

Member of the commission to combat trafficking in persons in Suriname

Current position

Public Prosecutor

Publications

“De Nawerking van CAO-Bepalingen” (Paramaribo, Anton de Kom University of Suriname), July 1999

Waleed Sa'di (Jordan)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: 9 August 1939, Jerusalem

Working languages: Arabic, English, French (medium level)

Education

Bachelor of Arts (Economics), Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, United States of America

Juris Doctor (Doctor of law), University of Chicago, United States

Professional activities

Diplomat in New York, Washington, D.C., Moscow, London, Paris

Ambassador in Geneva (1975-1981)

Ambassador in Ankara (1982-1985)

Chair of the Commission on Human Rights (1980-1981)

Member of the Human Rights Committee, 1978-1982, 1990-1994

Head of the delegation of Jordan to the United Nations Diplomatic Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court, Rome, 1998, and Chair of the Working Group on Crimes against Humanity

Commissioner-General, National Centre for Human Rights, Amman, 2003-2006

Current positions

General Coordinator for Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Amman

Columnist, *Jordan Times*

Publications

Economic Theory of Islam

Nicolaas Jan Schrijver (Netherlands)

Date and place of birth: 21 May 1954, Warmenhuizen (N.H.), the Netherlands

Working languages: Dutch (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (fair), German (fair), Spanish (reading), Chinese (minor understanding)

Education

PhD, Faculty of Law, University of Groningen, doctoral thesis: *Sovereignty over Natural Resources: Balancing Rights and Duties in an Interdependent World*, xxiii and 481 pp., 2 March 1995

Masters Degree in Law (LL.M.), 18 August 1978

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), Faculty of Law, University of Groningen, 30 June 1974

Diploma, Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki: Postgraduate diploma, cum laude, in International Law and Relations, August 1980

Hague Academy of International Law, 1980-1981

Current positions

Chair of Public International Law, Leiden University, and Academic Director, Grotius Centre of International Legal Studies, Leiden University, The Hague

Member (since 2009) and Vice-Chair (since 2011) of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Member of the Senate of the Netherlands (part-time)

President of the International Law Association (ILA), London

Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague

Associate member of the Institut de droit international (since 2007)

Member of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (since 2008)

Other professional activities

Appeared as legal counsel before the International Court of Justice, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and ad hoc law of the sea tribunals, and as expert in proceedings of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes

Working experience in the United Nations system, including legal officer, Office of the Legal Counsel, United Nations

Member of the Committee of Inquiry on the War in Iraq, established by the Government of the Netherlands (2009-2010)

Chair of the ILA Committee on the International Law of Sustainable Development (during 1994-2002, its General Rapporteur) and Co-Chair (with Kamal Hossain, Bangladesh) of the ILA Study Group on United Nations Reform

Extensive publications record, including on economic and social human rights

Former member of the five-member High-Level Task Force on the Right to Development (2003-2009)

Former member of the Advisory Committee on Issues of International Law and of the standing Human Rights Committee of the Advisory Council on International Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands

Former Chair and Board member of the Academic Council on the United Nations System, New York/New Haven

Co-founder and Board member of the European Society of International Law

Selected publications

Development Without Destruction: The United Nations and Global Resource Management (Bloomington, Indiana, United States of America, United Nations Intellectual History Project/Indiana University Press, 2010), 304 pp. (with prefaces by James Crawford and Supachai Panitchpakdi)

The Evolution of Sustainable Development in International Law: Inception, Meaning and Status (Leiden, Nijhoff/Hague Academy of International Law, 2008), 276 pp. (Chinese edition, Beijing, Social Sciences Academic Press, 2010, preface by Judge Xue Hanqin of the International Court of Justice, 290 pp.)

Unilateral Measures Addressing Non-Trade Concerns: A Study on WTO Consistency and Impact on Developing Countries of Measures concerning Non-Product Related Processes and Production Methods, co-authored by Peter van den Bossche, Nico Schrijver and Gerrit Faber (The Hague, 2007), 267 pp.

“The UN Human Rights Council: a new ‘society of the committed’ or just old wine in new bottles?”, in *Leiden Journal of International Law*, vol. 20 (2007), no. 4, pp. 809-823

“Reforming the UN Security Council in pursuance of collective security”, in *Journal of Conflict & Security Law*, vol. 12 (2007), no. 1, pp. 127-138

“The future of the Charter of the United Nations”, in *Max Planck Yearbook of United Nations Law*, vol. 10 (2006), pp. 1-34

“Human rights concerns in current targeted sanctions regimes from the perspective of European and international law”, in *Strengthening Targeted Sanctions Through Fair and Clear Procedures*, Watson Institute for International Studies, 30 March 2006 (reproduced in United Nations document A/60/887-S/2006/331, annex)

The Security Council and the Use of Force: Theory and Reality — A Need for Change?, co-edited with N. M. Blokker (Leiden, Martinus Nijhoff, 2005), 308 pp.

Article 2, paragraph 4, in J.-P. Cot/A. Pellet/M. Forteau (ed.), *La Charte des Nations Unies: Commentaire article par article*, 3^e éd. (Paris, Economica, 2005), pp. 437-467

“The Changing Nature of State Sovereignty”, in *British Year Book of International Law*, vol. 70 (1999), pp. 65-98

Sovereignty over Natural Resources: Balancing Rights and Duties (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997), xxxi and 456 pp. (paperback reissue, 2008)

Mamuka Tsikhelashvili (Georgia)

Date of birth: 27 May 1971

Working languages: English, Georgian and Russian

Present position

Director of the Department of International Economic, Cultural and Humanitarian Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia (since January 2009)

Education

1996: Centre of Diplomatic Studies, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

1988-1993: Tbilisi State University, Department of Economics, Qualification — Economist, Diploma with Honours

Professional experience

2007-2009: Deputy Director of the Department of International Economic, Cultural and Humanitarian Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

2003-2007: Consul of Georgia in Armenia

2000-2003: Head of the Division of Regional Cooperation, Department of International Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

1999-2000: First Secretary in the Division of International Economic Analysis and Information, Department of International Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

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