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<u>Call for applications for mandate holders of the Human Rights Council</u> to be appointed at the fifty-fourth session of the Council

The secretariat of the Human Rights Council is currently accepting applications for vacancies of independent United Nations experts of the Council. The following mandate holders are to be appointed at the fifty-fourth session of the Council (11 September - 6 October 2023).

- 1. Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (<u>Human Rights Council resolution 50/10</u>)
- 2. Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members (<u>Human Rights Council resolution 44/6</u>)¹
- 3. Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities (Human Rights Council resolution 44/10)¹ unforeseen vacancy due to resignation
- 4. Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, member from African States (Human Rights Council resolution 50/18)
- 5. Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, member from Asia-Pacific States (<u>Human Rights Council resolution 50/18</u>)
- 6. Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, member from Eastern European States (<u>Human Rights Council resolution 50/18</u>)
- 7. Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, member from Western European and other States (<u>Human Rights Council resolution 50/18</u>)
- 8. Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Eastern European States (Human Rights Council resolution 51/13) unforeseen vacancy due to resignation

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **<u>13 June 2023 at 12 noon Geneva time</u>** through an online application procedure that consists of: (1) an online survey; and (2) an application form in Word format. Updated information on the selection and appointment procedure is available at https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/sp/nominations.

General information about the application and selection process is available at <u>https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/sp/basic-information-selection-independent-experts</u>.

In case of technical difficulties, the secretariat may be contacted by email at <u>ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org</u>.

¹ The appointment of this mandate holder will be made provided the mandate itself is extended by the Human Rights Council.