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PERSONAL DATA

FEMALE LATVIAN BORN ON 28/10/1971 IN RIGA, LATVIA

LANGUAGE SKILLS

LATVIAN ENGLISH RUSSIAN FRENCH (READING)

EXPERIENCE

COUNCIL OF EUROPE COMMITTEE FOR THE PREVENTION OF TORTURE (CPT) 2007-PRESENT

A member of the Council of Europe Committee for the Prevention of Torture in respect of Latvia, visiting and reporting in closed institutions in the CoE Member States; member of the CPT Jurisprudence group, responsible for revising the standards of the CPT on juveniles deprived of their liberty.

LEGAL ADVISER AT DIGNITY – DANISH INSTITUTE AGAINST TORTURE 2014-2017

Conducting legal research, providing legal advice and training on national and international human rights law and practices relevant to the prohibition, reparation and prevention of torture, organised violence and related fields; national and international human rights advocacy vis-à-vis governments, parliaments and inter-governmental organisations in co-operation with national and international partner organisations.

SENIOR LAWYER AT LATVIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS 2001-2014

Legal analysis, research and writing, seminar and training organisation, advocacy, litigation, supervising work of junior lawyers, on-site monitoring of closed institutions: police isolation cells, prisons, illegal migrants camps.

MEMBER OF THE PERMANENT WORKING GROUP ON POLICY OF THE EXECUTION OF CRIMINAL SANCTIONS UNDER THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OF LATVIA 2011-PRESENT

SENIOR EXPERT FROM LATVIA AT THE EU NETWORK OF INDEPENDENT EXPERTS ON FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS, LATER REORGANISED IN THE EU FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AGENCY LEGAL EXPERTS NETWORK 2005-2009

Preparing reports and thematic studies on fundamental rights issues.

EDUCATION

LL.M. IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW/2013 RIGA GRADUATE SCHOOL OF LAW

Thesis "Ratification of the OPCAT and the creation of a National Preventive Mechanism (NPM) against torture in Latvia".

BACHELORS DEGREE IN JURISPRUDENCE/2003 UNIVERSITY OF LATVIA, FACULTY OF LAW Thesis "Occupation restrictions for persons with annulled or cancelled criminal record".

NUMEROUS SHORT TERM COURSES, INCLUDING AT ABO AKADEMI UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (FINLAND), EUROPEAN LAW ACADEMY (TRIER, GERMANY) etc.

OTHER EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES

PROVIDING NUMEROUS PRESENTATIONS AND TRAININGS
(BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY) ON HUMAN
RIGHTS, IN PARTICULAR IN RELATION TO THE PREVENTION OF
TORTURE AND INHUMAN AND DEGRADING TREATMENT, AS
WELL AS TO THE PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION.