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Date and place of birth: 15 November 1958, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Working languages: English

Current position/function

Managing Director, Multi-Talent Consultancy, 2006–to date

Consultant in the field of international law, human rights, democracy and governance, child rights, environment and climate change, water rights and governance and negotiations skills.

Main professional activities

Member, Advisory Committee of the United Nations Human Rights Council (2012–2018)

Member, Working Group on Communications (WGC) of the United Nations Human Rights Council (2014–2018); also Chair/Rapporteur of the WGC (2015–2018)

Member of the International Board, Plan International (development and humanitarian organization advancing children’s rights and equality for girls) (2016–2018)

Board Chair, Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2019–to date)

Associate Professor (part-time), International law, Human rights law, International Environmental law and natural resources, Law Faculty, Addis Ababa University, (2006–2017)

Educational background

LLM (Merit), International Law, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London (1991/92)

LLB (Chancellor’s Medal), Law Faculty, Addis Ababa University (1987)

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

As a Rapporteur of the Advisory Committee of the Human Rights Council on two thematic areas, contributed to the understanding of the nature and contents of States’ obligations regarding violations of civil and political rights and was instrumental in getting the United Nations Human Rights Council to take further actions.

As a Member and Chair/Rapporteur of the Working Group on Communications of the Human Rights Council dealt with the screening and admissibility of hundreds of cases of alleged gross violations of civil and political rights.

List of most recent publications in the field

As a Member of the Advisory Committee of the United Nations Human Rights Council produced two reports, namely:

“Study on the Implementation of the Principles and Guidelines for the Elimination of Discrimination against Persons affected by Leprosy”, A/HRC/35/38, OHCHR, 4 May 2017;

“Progress Report containing recommendations on mechanisms to assess the negative impacts of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights” A/HRC/28/74, 10 February 2015.
