Biographical data form of Ms. Valentina BODRUG-LUNGU Candidate from the Republic of Moldova to CEDAW

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Working languages: Russian, French, English, and Romanian

Current position/function:

- PhD, Associate Professor on pedagogy and psychology, Moldovan State University
- President of NGO Gender-Centru; National Gender Expert
- Member of National Council of Participation besides Prime Minister
- Member of the Board of KARAT Coalition (Regional Coalition of Women's NGOs in CEE and CIS)

Main professional activities:

- Contributed significantly in drafting and promoting of various documents: National Strategy on Gender Equality in Moldova; Domestic Violence Law; Gender Equality Law in Moldova; National Action Plan on Gender Equality Promotion (2006-2009); National Strategy on Reproductive Health etc.
- Actively involved in advocacy for creating and building capacity of National mechanism on Gender Equality in Moldova. Member of Governmental Committee on Gender Equality (2006-2008). Head of Presidential Committee on Women and Family issues (1999-2000)
- Undertook research studies: "Gender in the context of MDGs in Moldova", UNIFEM (2007); Coordinator of Study on State Responsiveness to Violence against Children, UNICEF (2006); Coordinator of Regional Survey "The Level of Public Awareness on Domestic Violence and Sexual Harassment at the Work Place", UNIFEM (2001) etc.

Educational background:

- Moldovan State University, PhD on pedagogy and psychology: Gender Education (2009)
- Lund University, Raoul Wallenberg Institute, Sweden: Regional Programme on the Equal Status and Human Rights of Women (2002)
- Moscow State University, PhD, History / Education issues (1985-1989)
- Chisinau State University Department of History (1978 -1983)

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

- Actively engaged in advocacy for the use of CEDAW as a tool for empowering and protecting women. Coordinator of Regional Project "Building towards Eastern European and Central Asia NGO Coalition on Optional Protocol to CEDAW" (KARAT Coalition) in Moldova (2008-2009). Co-reporter on Shadow Report, 36 Session of CEDAW Committee, NY (2006)
- -Building capacity of state institutions representatives on implementation of recommendations adopted by the CEDAW Committee. Building capacity of NGOs representatives on their monitoring and advocacy roles in reporting under the CEDAW.

- Promoting and facilitating Moldova's participation in Regional and Global Initiatives. Member of national delegations participating at the Special UNGAS Session "Women 2000", New York; Beijing +15 Regional Review Meeting, Geneva (2009); at European ministerial and other international conferences on gender equality and domestic violence etc.

List of most recent publications in the field:

Theory and methodology of gender education: Thesis for the degree of Doctor Habilitatus in Pedagogy, Chisinau, 2009; National mechanism on gender equality in Moldova // Гендерное равенство в современном мире: роль национальных механизмов, Москва, 2008; Gender in the context of MDGs in the Republic of Moldova / UNIFEM, Chisinau, 2007; Gender Sensitization of population, Chişinău, 2007; Author, Chapter Families in Moldova // Families in Eastern Europe. Vol. 5. Published by Elsevier Ltd. London, New York, 2004 etc.