

Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Name (family name, first name): **POMERANZI BIANCAMARIA**

Nationality: **ITALIAN**

Date and place of birth: **14-6-1950 – AREZZO –ITALY**

Working languages: **ENGLISH , FRENCH**

Current position/function:

Senior Advisor on Gender and Development at the General Directorate for Development Cooperation (Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs), **Member** of the OECD/DAC **GENDERNET**, Member of the EU gender experts . The functions related to the professional activities deal with the implementation of the International Agreements and Conventions for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.

Main professional activities:

2010 – 2011: Head of the Office of the Italian Development Cooperation for Senegal and West Francophone Africa .

2008 - 2010 : National Counselor for Equal Opportunities of the Italian Government .

2000 : Editor and speaker at the EU Preparatory conference for “Women 2000 "beijing+5" .

1996 -2001 : Advisor of the Italian Minister for Equal Opportunities for International Affairs

1995: Advisor of the Italian Delegation to the IVth Conference of the United Nations on Women - Beijing .

1994 –ongoing : Advisor of the Italian Delegation to the Commission on the Status of Women of the United Nations.

1981 –1991: Co-founder and planner of the Association of Italian Women for Development

Educational background:

2001 – Course on theories of gender –Prof . Rosi Braidotti - Women's Studies Centre - Utrecht University

1985: Fellowship of Equal opportunities Program MARSHALL FUND - USA

1974 : Diploma on History of Africa - ITALO-AFRICAN INSTITUTE

1973 : Master Degree in Social Sciences University of Florence

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women:

2009: Member of the Italian Government team for the G8 Conference on “Violence Against Women” Rome –Italy

2008-ongoing : Member of the Italian Committee on Human Rights (CIDU)

2007: Responsible for the organization of the Regional Conference of the Italian Directorate for Development Cooperation “Women in West Africa” Bamako - Mali

2005 – 2006 : Teacher at the “ Master on Equal Opportunities” on UN System and International treaties and Convention on Gender .

1975 – ongoing : Member of several Italian and international Women’s Associations for the Advancement of Women .

List of most recent publications in the field of discrimination against women and advancement of their human rights:

“What’s next for UN system and international women’s movement” in DWF, International review for Anthropological, Sociological and Historical Studies on Woman - **2008 n. 3,4 pp 14-27 .**

“The Woman’s Body and Multiculturalism” in **Democracy and Rights**, Quarterly Review of the Centre for the Reform of the State – **2004 , n. 1 , pp 73- 85.**
