

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

Name (family name, first name): LEINARTĖ, Dalia

Nationality: Lithuanian

Date and place of birth: October 25, 1958

Working languages: English, Russian

Current position/function:

- Vice-Chairperson of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, **CEDAW** (since 2015)
- Professor of Family History and Director of the Gender Studies Centre at Vilnius University, Lithuania (since 2000)
- Consultant of the Inter-Ministerial Commission on Equal Opportunities of Women and Men, Lithuania (since 2000)
- Member of the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), the European Union (since 2013)

Major Affiliation:

- Fellow Commoner at Lucy Cavendish College, *University of Cambridge* (2014-present)

Main professional activities¹:

- Vilnius University, (Lithuania)
Teaching and research areas: family history; women's history; women's movements; women and nationalisms; women and totalitarian regimes; trafficking in women; gender mainstreaming
- Inter-Ministerial Commission on Equal Opportunities of Women and Men, (Lithuania)
Areas of expertise: women's rights and position monitoring in line with the CEDAW Convention; gender mainstreaming and gender equality implementation through national programs

Educational background: Ph.D in History, Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania (1996)

Selected research positions and grants

- Visiting Professor, Gender Studies Program at Idaho State University, USA (2005-2008)
- Research Scholar, American Association of University Women (AAUW), USA (2005-2006)
- FULBRIGHT Scholar, State University of New York, USA (2002-2003)

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

- Member of the Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the *CEDAW Convention* (since 2014)
- Member of the Working group on Women and Democracy within the *Community of Democracies* (since 2010)
- Keynote and panelist in recent international conferences, including: keynote speech at the International Symposium on Women's Studies (2015); keynote speech at the International conference *10 years EU membership – improvements and backlashes in gender equality*, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Foundation (2014); panelist at the high-level policy event *Empowerment Women in Development: Challenges beyond 2015*, (2014); panelist at Lithuanian EU Presidency high level Conference *Gender Equality de facto as a Contribution to Reaching Europe 2020 Targets: The Effectiveness of Institutional Mechanisms*, (2013)
- 2004-2007 Drafter of the Lithuanian 3rd and 4th Periodic Reports under the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women submitted to the CEDAW Committee
- 2002-2003 International Coordinator: Preventive – Informative Campaigns against Trafficking in Girls and Women in the Baltic States
- 2002-2003 International Coordinator: International Training Courses ‘Violence Prevention Strategy in Schools: Training for Trainers: Kaliningrad Region, Belarus, Russia, Lithuania’

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

- *The History of Cohabitation*, Invited Guest Editor (with Jan Kok), in *The History of the Family: An International Quarterly*, 2015
- *Life Stories of Lithuanian Women, 1945–1970*, Brill/Rodopi, New York, p. 242, 2010
- *Families in Europe between the 19th and the 21st century*, Romanian Journal of Population Studies, 2009
- *Trafficking in Women and Prostitution in Lithuania*, Vilnius University Press, Vilnius, 2003

¹ It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women requires participation in three annual sessions of three weeks duration, plus participation (on a rotating basis) in a pre-session working group of one week in respect of each session.