Annex II

Biographical data form of candidates to human rights treaty bodies

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return it electronically in word format**)

Name and first name: BALCERZAK, Michał

Date and place of birth: 5 September 1979, Sieradz, Poland

Working languages: English, French, Polish (native)

Current position/function:

(5 lines maximum)

Professor of Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń (Poland), Faculty of Law, Department of Human Rights.

Main professional activities:[[1]](#footnote-1)

(10 lines maximum)

University teaching and research on international protection on human rights and public international law

Law practice as advocate in the area of human rights and freedoms

Educational background:

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Habilitation (post-doctoral degree) in public international law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland (2014)

Doctor of law, Faculty of Law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland (2007)

Diploma of the Academy of European Law (human rights session), European University Institute, Florence (2007)

Diploma of the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg, 2004)

Master of Law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland (2003)

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

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Member (2014-2021) and chairperson (2018-2019) of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent (special procedure of the Human Rights Council)

Member of the Advisory Legal Committee at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2017-)

Regular Member, International Law Association, member of the ILA Committee on Human Rights in Times of Emergency (2017-)

List of most recent publications in the field:

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*Uses and Underuses of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination at the International Court of Justice*, “Polish Yearbook of International Law” 2018, vol. XXXVIII, pp. 11-27.

*Preserving the effectiveness of UNCLOS despite a party's non-appearance? Some remarks on the Arctic Sunrise Arbitration (Netherlands v. Russia) in the context of human rights protection*, “Wroclaw Review of Law, Administration and Economics” 2018, vol. 8, no. 2, pp. 172-187.

*Responsibility of State Parties to the European Convention on the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms. An International Law Perspective.* [in Polish] Toruń 2013, pp. 345.

1. It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination requires participation in three annual sessions (April/May and November/December of three weeks and August of four weeks duration). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)