



Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

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Election, in accordance with articles 34, paragraphs 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities of 9 members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 31 December 2020

Election of 9 members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities under article 34 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In accordance with the procedure set out in article 34 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the Secretary-General invited the States parties to the Convention to submit their nominations for the election of nine members by 1 October 2020. Information concerning the 28 persons nominated by that deadline is contained in CRPD/CSP/2020/CRP.1. This addendum is issued for information on nominations and related communications received after the deadline of 1 October 2020.
2. In a note dated 26 November 2020, the Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations Office at Geneva informed the Secretariat of the decision of its Government to withdraw the nomination of Mr. Muhannad ALAZZEH as a candidate for the 2020 elections to the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Annex

Mr. Muhannad ALAZZEH (Jordan)

- Date and place of birth: 05-06-1970, Alzarqa City Jordan.
- Place of residence: Jordan
- Nationality: Jordanian
- United Nations working languages: Arabic mother language, English; fluent writing reading and speaking.

Current position/function

Secretary General - the higher council for the rights of Persons with Disabilities. Managing the administrative and the technical tasks in the council which includes: development Disability national strategies and policies, conduct legal review for the operative and draft national laws and regulations to insure the inclusivity therein, provide technical support for the governmental entities on how to fulfil their obligation in the Disability rights law and other related laws, build and manage the partnerships with the ministries/governmental entities and the nongovernmental entities. Supervise the annual budget design and implementation for the council.

Other main activities on the rights of persons with disabilities

- International commissioned expert on the rights of Persons with Disabilities for several international, regional and national entities, such as: WHO, UNESCWA, CBM international, the Arab league, the technical office of the ministries of social development in the gulf countries cooperation council (GCC);
- The chairperson of the national legal committee which drafted the new law on the rights of Persons with Disabilities in Jordan (law No. 20-2017);
- Leading the taskforce of the Higher council for the rights of Persons with Disabilities in Coronavirus Pandemic;
- Author for several books, working papers and articles on specific issues regarding the rights of Persons with Disabilities;
- Provided legal support to the Disability community and the relevant entities to develop a new disability rights law in Pakistan;
- Conduct evaluation for Disability projects with CBM international organization in Pakistan.

Educational background, in particular on the rights of persons with disabilities

- High Diploma in Good governance, public policy and anti-corruption, the international institute for social studies, (ISS) Den Hague Netherlands;
- PHD in criminal law, Alexandria University, Egypt;
- Professional training courses on the rights of Persons with Disabilities such as: the Summer training course on the rights of Persons with Disabilities, the Disability research center, Galway University Ireland – 2016, regular training courses on the rights of Persons with Disabilities, Humanity and Inclusion (HI) 2008-2010, the south project training course (1 and 2) New York USA, 2006, TOT on the rights of Persons with Disabilities with the Landmines Survivors, (LSN), 2005.

Please indicate whether you identify yourself as a person with disability or elaborate on your lived experience related to persons with disabilities

I'm a Person with a Disability, I'm legally blind.

Relevant expertise on the rights of persons with disabilities. Please elaborate on your areas of expertise under the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and related experience

- I participated in the Ad Hoc committee on the CRPD in NY as one of the International Disability Caucus (IDC) members;
- Professional trainer for judges, governmental officials, DPOs and NGOs on the CRPD analysis, implementation and monitoring tools;
- The chief editor for the first shadow report on the implementation status of the CRPD in Jordan in 2012.
- List of most recent publications in the field of the rights of persons with disabilities
- The manual 40 on the right to work for Persons with Disabilities (40 questions and answers on how to make the working process inclusive and accommodative for Persons with Disabilities) 2019;
- The civil society report on the implementation status of the rights of Persons with Disabilities in Jordan: Mirror of reality and a tool for change;
- The manual 60 on the monitoring report of the CRPD – 2014;
- The Disability rights laws, the real efficiency, analytical regional studies for the Disability rights laws in the middle east, 2009;
- The Arab Disability decade in the scale, analytical review for the Arab decade on the rights of Persons with Disability 2009.

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