**Second Part: Word Format APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE HOLDERS**

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

APPLICATION FORM SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE
**Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali**

How to start the application process:

- The application process has been split into 2 parts, the first part is a Web-based survey and the second part is an application form in word which can be downloaded, completed and returned by email. Both parts and all sections of the application form should be filled in for the application to be processed.

The **first part**, i.e. the [Web-based survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HRC23_SPMandateHolders) is used to collect information for statistical purposes such as personal data (i.e. name, gender, nationality), contact details, mandate/s applying for and nominating entity. **The web-based survey should only be completed once**, i.e. multiple selection allowed to indicate if the candidate is applying for more than one mandates.

This is the **second part, i.e.** of the application form in Word which can be downloaded, completed and saved in word format and then submitted as an attachment by email. Information provided in this form, includes a motivation letter of maximum 600 words, will be used as received to prepare the public list of candidates who applied for each vacancy and will be made available to concerned parties, including through the OHCHR Internet.

Once completed the application form in Word should be submitted by email to [hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/SP/CallApplications/IEMali_Haiti/hrcspecialprocedures%40ohchr.org)

If the candidate is applying for more than one mandates, an application form needs to be completed and sent for each mandate.

* A maximum of 3 reference letters can be attached, in pdf format, to the application sent by email. No additional document is required.
* **Application Deadline: 02 May 2013 (midnight, GMT)**.
* Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed at a later stage.

If encountering technical difficulties, you may contact us by email: hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org  or fax: + 41 22 917 9011

**An acknowledgment will be sent when we receive both parts of the application process, i.e. the information through the web-based survey and the application form through email.**

**PERSONAL DATA**

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| Family Name: Barahona-Riera  | Sex: [ ]  Male [x]  Female |
| First Name: ROCIO  | Date of birth ( d-MMM-yy): 26-10-52 |
| Maiden name (if any): Maria del  | Place of birth: Costa Rica |
| Middle name:        | Nationality(please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): Costa Rica |
|  | Any other nationality: Ecuador- Spain |

**I. MANDATE**

Indicate the specific mandate applied for:

Note: **Please select ONE only**. If you are applying for more than one mandate, please submit a separate form for each mandate.

[x]  Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti

[ ]  Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali

**II. MANDATE - SPECIFIC COMPETENCE/QUALIFICATION/KNOWLEDGE**

**NOTE: Please describe why the candidate’s competence/qualifications/knowledge is relevant in relation to the specific mandate:**

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| QUALIFICATIONS (200 words)Relevant educational qualifications or equivalent professional experience in the field of human rights; good communication skills (i.e. orally and in writing) in one of the official languages of the United Nations (i.e. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish.) | My area of specialization in professional and academic has been the international law and the international law of the human rights : Doctorate in international law at the University of Perugia-Rome Italy, of PHD courses towards a doctorate in Political Science at the University Arcis, Santiago Chile. Master´s degree in law , University of Barcelona Spain. Bachelor´degree in Political Science, University of Costa Rica. Guest professor in: University of Quito Ecuador, University of Alcalá de Henares Spain, University of Costa Rica, University of Beejing China. University of Perugia Italy. |
| RELEVANT EXPERTISE (200 words)Knowledge of international human rights instruments, norms and principles. (Please state how this was acquired).Knowledge of institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations’ work in the area of human rights. (Please state how this was acquired).Proven work experience in the field of human rights. (Please state years of experience. | Member of the COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS 2000-2012- Vicepresident . Expert in human rights. Consultant and speaker in regional and international forums on economic social and cultural rights, sexual and reproductive rights, seniors rights and environment rights .Rapporteur by the Committee on economic, social and cultural rights of the draft general comment on Sexual and reproductive health. |

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| ESTABLISHED COMPETENCE (200 words)Nationally, regionally or internationally recognized competence related to human rights. (Please explain how such competence was acquired). | As a teacher at the University, researcher at the Centre Researcher for the Study of International Law, National Research Council CNR Rome Italy, and as external consultant of the Assambly Legislative of Costa Rica, consultant and speaker in regional and international forums on economic, social and cultural rights and also as politics (candidate to the Vice-Presidency of Costa Rica 2010), I have done numerous analysis of the situation of human rights in my country and in several countries of the region by proposing changes in the legislation, improvements in social programmes of States as well as policies aimed at guaranteeing and protecting human right. I am currently advising the national prosecutor's Office of Ecuador in the field of human rights. |
| flexibility/readiness and AVAILABILITY of time (200 words)to perform effectively the functions of the mandate and to respond to its requirements, including participating in Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva and General Assembly sessions in New York, travelling on special procedures visits, drafting reports and engaging with a variety of stakeholders. (Indicate whether candidate can dedicate an estimated total of approx. three months per year to the work of a mandate) | I am Professor of international law of human rights, expert and independent consultant for national and international non-governmental organizations, international agencies, as well as for government agencies. I have time available to carry out the functions of the mandate, including participation in the sessions of the Council for Human Rights in Geneva and the General Assembly sessions in New York, also have availability to carry out visits by the special procedures. So, I can devote three months to the work of the mandate.  |

**III. LANGUAGES (READ / WRITTEN / SPOKEN)**

**Please indicate all language skills**

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| **Languages** | **Read** | **Write** | **Speak** |
|  | **Easily** | **Not Easily** | **Easily** | **Not Easily** | **Easily** | **Not Easily** |
| **Arabic** | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **Chinese** | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **English** | [x]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [x]  | [ ]  | [x]  |
| **French** | [x]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [x]  | [ ]  | [x]  |
| **Russian** | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **Spanish** | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **Mother tongue:** **Spanish** | [x]  | [ ]  | [x]  | [ ]  | [x]  | [ ]  |

**IV. Motivation Letter (600 word limit)**

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| ,In my long experience as expert and Member for twelve years in the Committee on economic social and cultural rights (CESCR) and as an activist, academic and person committed to human rights, I feel the need to put at the disposal of the international community especially the mechanisms of human rights my knowledge as well as my availability to contribute to the fulfilment, respect and realization of human rights of the people in Haiti , country know and which aspire to contribute as independent human rights expert.  |

**V. EDUCATIONAL RECORD**

**NOTE: Please list the candidate’s academic qualifications: (university level and higher)**

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| **Name of degree and name of academic institution** | **Years of Attendance** | **Place and Country** |
| Degree in political science University of Costa Rica | 5 | Costa Rica |
| Master´degree in Law, University of Barcelona | 3 | Spain |
| Specialization in internacional Law , University of Costa Rica. | 1 | Costa Rica |
| Doctorate in international Law, University of Perugia Rome . | 2 | Italy |

**VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

**NOTE: Please briefly list ALL RELEVANT professional positions held, beginning with the most recent one:**

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| Name of EmployerFunctional TitleMain functions of position | Years of Attendance/Work | Place and Country |
| Expert of the Committee on economic, social and cultural rights. CDESC . United Nations. | 12 | Switzerland |
| Research Director, ILANUD United Nations Latinamerican Institute for the Prevetion of Crime and Treatment of Offenders. | 3 | Costa Rica |
| Director Fund for Technological Development and International Affairs, National Council for Scientific and Technological Research. | 4 | Costa Rica |
|  University of Costa Rica, University Central Quito, University of Alcalá de Henares Spain, University of Perugia Italy. Professor of International law and international human rights law | 20 | Costa Rica, Ecuador, Spain , Italy |

**VII. COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICS AND INTEGRITY PROVISIONS (of Council Resolution 5/1)**

1. To your knowledge, does the candidate have any official, professional, personal, or financial relationships that might cause him/her to limit the extent of their inquiries, to limit disclosure, or to weaken or slant findings in any way? If yes, please explain.

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| No |

2. Are there any factors that could either directly or indirectly influence, pressure, threaten, or otherwise affect the candidate’s ability to act independently in discharging his/her mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

3. Is there any reason, currently or in that past, that could call into question the candidate’s moral authority and credibility or does the candidate hold any views or opinions that could prejudice the manner in which she/he discharges his mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

4. Does the candidate comply with the provisions in paragraph 44 and 46 of the Annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1?

 *Para. 44: The principle of non-accumulation of human rights functions at a time shall be respected.*

*Para. 46: Individuals holding decision-making positions in Government or in any other organization or entity which may give rise to a conflict of interest with the responsibilities inherent to the mandate shall be excluded. Mandate-holders will act in their personal capacity*

Yes

5. Should the candidate be appointed as a mandate holder, he/she will have to take measures to comply with paragraphs 44 and 46 of the Annex to Council resolution 5/1. In the event that the current occupation or activity, even if unpaid, of the candidate may give rise to a conflict of interest (e.g. if a candidate holds a decision-making position in Government) and/or there is an accumulation of human rights functions (e.g. as a member of another human rights mechanism at the international, regional or national level), necessary measures could include relinquishing positions, occupations or activities. If applicable, please indicate the measures the candidate will take.

. She has not an accumulation of human rights functions

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Thank you for your interest.