**Annex III**

**Biographical data form of candidates to human rights treaty bodies**

**Name and first name:**

CARDONA LLORENS, Jorge

**Date and place of birth:**

30 April 1957 in Valencia (Spain)

**Working languages:**

Spanish (native language), French (written and spoken), English (elementary notions for work)

**Current position/function:**

- Chair in Public International Law at the University of Valencia

- Member of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

**Main professional activities:**

**-** Member of the Committee appointed by the *Secretariat of the Ibero-American Youth Organisation* (OIJ) for the monitoring of the compliance by States of the Ibero-American Convention on Young People’s Rights (2010-

- *Legal Expert* of the Conference of Ibero-American Ministers of Justice (COMJIB) (since 2008).

- Former member of the *Commission of Notables* appointed by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights for the study of the reform of the Inter-American System of Human Rights (1999-2001)

- *Director of the Depository Library of the United Nations* at the University of Valencia (since 2007).

- *Director of the Observatory on the right to refuge* of UNHCR and University of Valencia (since 2011)

- Member of the *Panel of Experts of the Committee on Trade and Sustainable Development set up by the Free Trade Agreement* between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Korea, on the other part (since 2012)

*- Agent for the Kingdom of Spain* before the International Court of Justice in the case of the Declaration of Independence of Kosovo (2009-2010), and *Legal Adviser* to different States on international affairs with learned opinions.

**-** Member of the Board of UNICEF-Valencia Region

- Chairman of the *Mediterranean Institute of European Studies* (1999-2010).

- Member of the scientific committee of the *Revista Española de Derecho Internacional* (1990-98, and 2011-)

- *Henri Rolin* Chair at the Universities of Louvain-La-Neuve and Vrije Universiteit Brussel (2009).

- Director of the International Law Section *at the Bancaja International Centre for Peace and Development* (with *the Mahatma Gandhi Gold Medal for Peace)* (1997-2009), and Director of the *Bancaja Euro-Mediterranean Courses in International Law* programme (since 1997)*.*

- Chairman of the *Centre for Studies on Law and International Relations* (since 2007)

- *Jean Monnet* Chair in European Community Law (since 1997).

**Educational background:**

- Special National Graduation Award for Law (1980)

- Special National PhD Award in Law at the University of Valencia (1984)

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

A) In the *Committee on the Rights of the Child* (besides being Rapporteur, Coordinator or Member of the Country Task Force for the de interactive dialogue with the States), have been:

- Rapporteur for the modification of the Rules of procedure and the working methods of the Committee (in the context of the treaty body strengthening process and the necessary improvement of the work of the Committee)

- Member of the Working Group for the elaboration of the General comment No. 14 (2013) on the right of the child to have his or her best interests taken as a primary consideration (art. 3-1)

- Member of the Working Group for the elaboration of the General comment No. 16 (2013) on State obligations regarding the impact of the business sector on children’s rights

- Member of the Working Group to prepare the entry into force and the application on the III Optional Protocol of the CRC

- Focal Point of the Committee for the Project of implementation and follow-up the General Comment nº 16.

B) In the field of the *University*:

- Member of the Management Council for the *Master on Human Rights, Peace and Sustainable Development* of the University of Valencia, as well as for the *International Doctoral Programme on Human Rights* (Doctorate that has deserved a special quality mention by the Spanish Ministry of Education) (since 2007)

- Member of the Management Council for the *Master on International and European Studies* of the University of Valencia, as well as for the *International Doctoral Programme on International and European Law* (since 2007)

- Professor at the *Graduate Certificate in Children's Rights*, organized by the University of Valencia in collaboration with UNICEF

- *Visiting Professor* at Universities and Scientific Institutes in Europe, Latin America and Africa (Angers, Barcelona, Bello Horizonte, Bogotá, Buenos Aires, Caracas, Casablanca, Cergy-Pontoise, Clermont-Ferrand, Coruna, Costa Rica, Granada, Madrid, Marrakech, Naples, Palermo, Panama, Paris I, Paris II, Paris Sud, Paris X, Rome La Sapienza, Rome Tor Vergata, Seville, Tunisia II, Tunisia III, courses at The Hague Academy of International Law, courses of the Inter-American Juridical Committee in Rio de Janeiro, Bancaja Euro-Mediterranean Courses in International Law).

- He has Participated 200 national and international congress, conferences and debates. He has directed approximately 50 research works and ten doctoral theses in human rights and child’s rights.

C) In the field of *international development cooperation*:

- Member of several consultative bodies of the Administration and a Trustee of Foundations involved in development cooperation and human rights (Valencian Council of Development Cooperation, Foundation for Justice, Valencian Committee of Humanitarian Aid, Trustee South-North of the University of Valencia for the Development Cooperationetc.).

- *Headmaster of Projects in “Fundación por la Justicia”* (the Foundation for Justice), wich participates in development cooperation actions, always aimed to Human Rights perspective, in India, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, Senegal, El Salvador, Haiti, Bolivia or Paraguay. Some of these projects, have a special connection to the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, such as the projects about:“Programme to reduce traditional harmful practices for women”, in collaboration with the Kembetta Women’s Self Help Centre (KMG) in Ethiopia (the general aims of which include empowering the community to fight female genital mutilation and other harmful traditional practices, empowering women, teenagers and girls so that they may become aware and demand their rights, and reducing gender violence in rural areas and specifically in the districts of Tedele and Kebele); Cooperation with the “Diamond Child” in Sierra Leone (school-workshop taking in the most vulnerable boys, girls and teenagers and, in particular, former boy soldiers, focusing on towards reinsertion via education by offering them a profession and a better future in their country); cooperation with the Ramdha Udhist orphanage in Daramsala (India); or about action to reduce discrimination against albino’s children in Senegal, all of them developed by Fundación por la Justicia.

- Participation in the planning and implementation of especially vulnerable children empowerment projects in Spain. Among other: Socio-labour insertion program for offending minors; School and work integration program for children with Down’s syndrome; Program to support autistic children and their families

**List of most recent publications in the field:**

He is author of nearly 150 publications on International Law (in particular on: human rights, the Law of Treaties, International Trade Law, European Law, the Law of International Responsibility, the Law of International Organisations, and peacekeeping and international security). Among his publications,*in the last 3 years, in the specific field of human rights:*

**-**"Diritti umani e diversità nelle abilità individuali: dalla discriminazione alla inclusione." *Ragion Pratica. Revista de filosofía práctica*.2011,pp. 185 - 212.

**-** "Human Rights and the Inclusive Society". In *Globalization and Human Rights: Challenges and Answers from a European Perspective.* pp. 51 - 72. Editorial: Springer Netherlands, 2012.

**- “**El tercer Protocolo de la Convención de los Derechos del Niño: la consagración del niño como sujeto de derechos humanos y los nuevos desafíos del Comité de los Derechos del Niño *Revista do Instituto Brasileiro de Direitos Humanos*, vol. 12 nº 12; pp: 211-228, 2012

**-** " La Convención sobre los Derechos del Niño: significado, alcance y nuevos retos." *Educatio siglo XXI*. Nº 30. pp. 47-68. 2012.

**-** “La Convención de los derechos del niño: significado, alcance y nuevos retos", en *Temas de actualidad jurídica sobre la niñez.* Pp. 1-18; Ed.:Porrúa (México), 2012

**-** “Droits de l’enfant et secteur privé : existe-t-il un besoin de Convention contraignante?”, en D*roits de l’enfant et secteur prive: amener les Etats et les entreprises a remplir leurs obligations,* Institut International des Droits de l’Enfant**,** pp. 72-85, 2012

**- “**La Convención Iberoamericana de Derechos de la Juventud y los sistemas internacionales de protección de derechos humanos en los ámbitos universal y regional", en *Estudio sobre la Convención Iberoamericana de Derechos de los Jóvenes* Editorial: OIJ. Sitio internet:http://www.oij.org/file\_upload/publicationsItems/document/20130114165345\_51.pdf

- "Worrying Tendencies: children"s criminalization" (edito)., en *News de l'Institut International des droits de l'Enfant* .pp. 1 -3. 2012. Disponible en Internet en: <http://www.childsrights.org/ html/site\_en/>.

**-** "La Convención sobre los Derechos del Niño: significado, alcance y nuevos retos".en Revista *Educatio siglo XXI*.30,pp. 47 - 68. 2012.

**-** "El derecho de las personas con discapacidad intelectual al acceso al empleo público en España: una propuesta a la luz de la Convención sobre los derechos de las personas con discapacidad." En *La perspectiva de derechos humanos de la discapacidad*. pp. 119-161. Tirant lo Blanch, 2012.

- "Hacia el fortalecimiento del sistema de órganos de Tratados de Derechos Humanos de las Naciones Unidas" , en.*Nuevas fronteras del derecho de la Unión Europea: liber amicorum : José Luis Iglesias Buhigues* .pp. 969 - 983.(España): Tirant lo Blanch,2012.

- "Vers la révision du système conventionnel de contrôle des droits de l"homme ?" (Editorial). *European Society of International Law. Newsletter*.pp. 1 - 3. European Society of International Law,2012. Disponible en Internet en: <http://www.esil-sedi.eu/english/February%202012.xps>.

**- “**La evaluación y determinación del interés superior del niño.” *Revista Española de Derecho Internacional* vol. LXV – 2, pp. 253-258, 2013

- “Droit à l’éducation des enfants en situation de handicap : exclusion, intégration et inclusión”, en *Droit des enfants en situation de handicap* pp. 49 - 58. IDE, 2013.

- “Retos, amenazas y esperanzas en el sistema de control y garantía de los derechos humanos en Naciones Unidas”, en *Unity and Diversity of International Law. Essays in Honour of Professor Pierre-Marie Dupuy (Leiden),* 2014

- “La transposition des droits de l’enfant dans les systèmes juridiques nationaux”, en *Regards croisés sur deux décennies d’application de la Convention des Nations-Unies relative aux droits de l’enfant au Nord et au Sud de la Méditerranée*, Monaco, 2014.

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