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/HRC25_SPmandateholders_EMRIPexperts) 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 [hrcsemrip@ohchr.org](mailto:hrcsemrip@ohchr.org) and saved as YOURSURNAME\_Yourname\_doc (i.e SMITH\_John\_doc).

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: 31 October 2013 (midnight, GMT)**.
* Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed at a later stage.

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**I. PERSONAL DATA**

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| Family Name: MANSAYAGAN | Sex:  Male  Female |
| First Name: EDTAMI | Date of birth ( d-MMM-yy): 27-Nov-62 |
| Maiden name (if any): n/a | Place of birth: CARMEN, COTABATO |
| Middle name: PINAYAO | Nationality(please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): FILIPINO |
|  | Any other nationality: n/a |
| * Candidates to the **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP)**   Indigenous origin:LUMAD/ERUMANEN NE MENUVÙ | |

**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.) | Appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines as Member of the First (1998-2001) and Second (2001-2004) Commission of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), Philippines. NCIP is a national agency of the Phillipine government mandated to protect and promote the interest and well-being of the indigenous peoples with due regard to their beliefs, customs, traditions and institutions. I am a graduate of a seven-year course, Bachelors of Theology (B.Th.) at Southern Christian College, Midsayap, Cotabato. I have a good communication skills in English both orally and in writing. |
| 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. | Participated in the first batch of trainees of the International Training Center for Indigenous Peoples(ITCIP), Nuuk, Greenland in summer of 1998. ITCIP training focused on understanding the United Nation system and how indigenous peoples can effectively deal with existing mechanisms. Attended several sessions of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations in Geneva, Switzerland. Also attended the Open Ended Inter-sessional Working Group for the Establishment of UN Permanent Forum for Indigenous Issues.Was also able to attend sessions of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York. As representative of Lumad Mindanaw Peoples Federation (LMPF), attended seminars and meetings of Asian Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP) and the Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network (AITPN). AIPP and AITPN are among the Asian regional networks of indigenous peoples that carry out advocacy of indigenous peoples rights. |

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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 NCIP Commissioner for two (2) successive terms, had the opportunity to understand and work effectively with national government institution. Aside from policy formulation and deliberation for the issuance of Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT)/Certificate of Ancestral Land (CALT) as provided in the Indigneous Peoples Rights Act of 1997(IPRA/Republic Act 8371), NCIP is also a quasi-judicial body, it has to decide cases filed before the Commission. This is in addition to more that 20 years working experience with indigenous peoples organization both from village level formations up to national alliances and networks. These exposures and experiences provided the needed skills in facilitation of discussions during conferences and preside over formal meetings. I have a good grasp of parliamentary procedures. |
| 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 available and can be flexible if I need to travel both to participate in Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva and General Assembly sessions in New York and for special procedures visits. I can engage with variety of stakeholders and draft reports. I can dedicate approximately three months per year to the work of a mandate. |

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

**Please indicate all language skills**

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| **Languages** | **Read** | | **Write** | | **Speak** | |
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| **Arabic** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Chinese** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **French** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Spanish** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Mother tongue:**  Menuvù & Tagalog |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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

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| To the distinguished Members of the Consultative Group of the Human Rights Council: Allow me to extend my heartfelt gratitude for this opportunity to explain what motivated me to apply for the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP Asia-Pacific Group). I belong to the Erumanen ne Menuvu of Central Mindanao, Philippines. Just like any other indigenous peoples in the Philippines and perhaps around the world, we are treated diffferently because of our distinct identities and worldviews. Most of our ancestral lands were already taken away from us. With the lost of forest, most of our people become marginalized and vulnerable. The strong awareness of my identity motivated me to organize indigenous students while i was still in college. The assertion for the recognition of the rights of indigenous peoples during the dictatorial regime of then, President Ferdinand E. Marcos started as a response to massive human rights violation. Even after Marcos dictatorship regime, it took 10 years of debate in the Philippine Congress to pass Indigenous Peoples Rights Act of 1997 (IPRA). The International Labour Organization Convention 169 and the earlier draft of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples has inspired Philippine lawmakers in drafting IPRA. I was fortunate to be appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines as Commissioner for the National Commission for Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) as provided by Republic Act 8371 or IPRA. My stint in the Commission provided training and understanding of how bureaucracy work in the government system. The aspirations written in the IPRA of the Philippines just like the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) has a long way to confront challenges and restore collective honor and dignity to the lives of indigenous peoples. I feel I have come to a full circle of advocacy of indigenous peoples rights, from village level up to the national government structure. At present I am working with my own tribe to restore and enhance our traditional governance structure. While the cycle of learning and sharing is endless, it can be greatly enhanced when shared in a broader and wider community particularly if given the opportunity to serve with the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Thank you for your kind attention. |

**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** |
| Bachelor in Theology, Southern Christian College | 1981-1988 | Midsayap, Cotabato, Philippines |
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**VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

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

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| Name of Employer  Functional Title  Main functions of position | Years of Attendance/Work | Place and Country |
| Samdhana Institute Inc, Deputy Director for the Philippines | 2010-present | Philippines |
| Office of Presidential Adviser on Peace Process-OPAPP, Consultant to the Secretary on issues and concerns for Indigenous Peoples | October 2010-December 2011 | Philippines |
| National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, Officer-in-Charge Executive Director | March 2003-August 2003 | Philippines |
| National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, Commissioner for Central Mindanao Ethnographic Region | February 2000-February 2004 | Philippines |

**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*

I am no longer holding any position in the Government.

5. Should the candidate be appointed as an expert, 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.

This is not applicable to my case.

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Thank you for your interest.