

Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Name: Safarov, Elgun

Nationality: Azerbaijan

Date and place of birth: June 5, 1982; Megri city, Armenia

Working languages: English, Russian, Turkish and Azerbaijan

Current position/function:

- Head of Information and Analytic Researches Department of the State Committee for Family, Women and Children Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan
- Expert of the Gender Equality Commission/Council of Europe
- Representative of the Drafting Committee to prepare a draft Committee of Ministers Recommendation to prevent and combat sexism (GEC-DC Sexism)
- Lecturer of Baku State University on gender equality and family law (Doctor of Law)
- Member of Gender School (Academic Infrastructure of WARD)

Main professional activities:

Doctor of Law E.Safarov participated in numerous local, regional and international projects organized by UN, Council of Europe and other international organizations, and has been lecturing in the fields of international law and international relations in last 15 years. He was directly involved in drafting of the Law on State Guarantees of Equal Rights for Women and Men, the Law on prevention domestic violence, amendments of Family, Penal, Civil Codes, legislation on reproductive health and prevention child marriages and other legislative norms of the Republic of Azerbaijan. His professional activities consists of various types of efforts in the field of human rights, including participation in the preparation process of Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence; involvement as the trainer in projects on gender equality, women` rights protection, violence against women, prevention of trafficking, organized by UN, UNDP, UNFPA, GIZ, EU, CE and numerous non-governmental organizations; preparation of the national reports in the framework of CEDAW Convention (2009, 2014), International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; serving as an analyst and researcher on human rights protection, gender equality, woman leadership, gender based violence, sexual harassment, trafficking as well as author of the more than 30 scholar articles and studies.

Educational background:

- B.A. in international law, Baku State University (1999-2003)
- M.A. in international law, Baku State University (2003-2005)

- Ph.D in international law (“Activities UN Security Council on the procedure of supporting international security and peace in the international law” (2010), Baku State University;
- Certificate on CEDAW Implementation and Reporting (UNFPA, UN Human Rights, 2008)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women:

- Medal for the positive activity in the sphere of resolving problems in the gender equality and social policy/Awarded by the Directive of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (2016).
- Monitoring focal point of UNIFEM “On legal and political frameworks, which support women’s human rights and gender equality” (2006)
- Active involved in the work of Coalition 1325 and National Network of IDP Women
- Certificate on “Workplace Sexual Harassment” (USAID, ABA CEELI 2007)
- Certificate on “Male involvement in advancing gender equality and ending violence against women” (Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UNFPA)
- Certificate on “Capacity Building in International Relations. International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law”, The Graduate Institute Geneva, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC, Diplomatic Academy, School of International Affairs 2009.
- Certificate on Human Rights, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, SIDA (2007)

List of most recent publications in the field of discrimination against women and advancement of their human rights:

- “Sustainable Development of Gender Equality System in the Republic of Azerbaijan: Problems, Good Practice and Perspectives” Proceedings of International Scientific Conference on SDG, 2017 (article).
- “Women rights protection: international and national aspects”, 2018 (scholar monograph).
- “Leadership Instruction”, GIZ. Germany. Instruction for the women participating in the local management municipalities, 2017 (article).
- “Promoting gender equality in the system of protection of human rights”, Azerbaijan University, 2017 (article).
- “Development of the protection mechanisms on the protection women and children rights in the national legislation system”, Knowledge Foundation, 2016 (article).
- Editor of the “Family, Woman, Child”, Journal (2013-2018).