

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

**Name:** AKIZUKI, Hiroko

**Nationality:** Japan

**Date and place of birth:** August 21, 1959/ Fukuoka, Japan

**Working languages:** English, Japanese

### **Current position/function:**

- Professor of International Law, [Asia University](#), Tokyo, Japan
- Member, [Evaluation Committee of Japan's National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security](#), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan
- Member, Immigration Control Policy Discussion Group, Ministry of Justice, Japan
- Chairperson, Working Group on Sustainable Sourcing Code, [Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games](#)

### **Main professional activities:**

- Prof. Hiroko AKIZUKI has been lecturing and researching in the areas of the international law, the UN and other international organizations, international relations and international development, among others for about 25 years.
- She has had an extensive international career, including serving at the UNDP office in Indonesia, UN Centre for Human Rights and UNCTAD in Geneva and Columbia University in New York.
- She has also had an extensive career in public service in local governments, including as Vice-Chair of the Council for the Promotion of Gender Equality (1998-1999) and Member of the Anti-discrimination Committee (1998-2000) in the city of Kitakyushu, Japan, and Member of the Drafting Committee for the Ordinance on Rights of the Child (2003-2005) in the City of Koganei, Japan.
- In addition, she has worked in the private sector (Barclays, Tokyo branch (1984-87)).

### **Educational background:**

- Department of Social Science, College of Liberal Arts, International Christian University, Japan (April 1978-March 1982) (BA).
- Graduate School of Public Administration, International Christian University, Japan (April 1982-March 1984) (MA in Public Administration).
- Graduate School of Public Administration, International Christian University, Japan (April 1990-March 1993) (Ph. D., 1997).

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

- Member, Visiting Committee of Immigration Detention Facility, Ministry of Justice (2010-2017)
- She surveyed on hate speech issues in Japan, as commissioned by Ministry of Justice (2015-2017).
- Member, The Advisory Group for Translation of UN Resolutions, United Nations Information Center, Japan (2006-present)
- Member, Grants Advisory Committee, the Japan Foundation for the United Nations University (2007- present)
- Member, Executive Council, Japan Association of United Nations Studies (2001-2010, 2013-present)
- Member, Executive Council, Japan Chapter of the Asian Society of International Law (2013-2015)

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

- International Protection of Human Rights, International Organizations, (Tokyo, 2018)
  - Humane International Law for Peace, Liberty and Prosperity, (Co-author), (Tokyo, 2011)
  - International Society and Law; International Law, International Human Rights Law and International Economic Law (Co-author), (Tokyo, 2010)
  - Containing Conflict: Cases in Preventive Diplomacy, (Co-author), (Tokyo, 2003).
  - Legal Personality of Autonomous Subsidiary Organs of the United Nations, (Tokyo, 1999).
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