

SECOND PART: APPLICATION FORM IN WORD FORMAT
Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP),
members from Arctic, Asia, North America and Pacific [HRC res. 33/25]
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How to apply:

The entire application process consists of two parts: **1. online survey** and **2. application form in Word format**. Both parts and all sections of the application form need to be completed and received by the Secretariat before the expiration of the deadline.

First part: Online survey (<http://ohchr-survey.unog.ch/index.php/397559?lang=en>) is used to collect information for statistical purposes such as personal data (i.e. name, gender, nationality), contact details, mandate applying for and, if appropriate, nominating entity.

Second part: Application form in Word can be downloaded from <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/HRC34.aspx> by clicking on the mandate. It should be fully 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. The application form should be completed in English only. It will be used as received to prepare the public list of candidates who applied for each vacancy and will also be posted as received on the OHCHR public website.

Once fully completed (including Section VII), the application form in Word should be submitted to hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org (by email). A maximum of up to three reference letters (optional) can be attached in Word or pdf format to the email prior to the expiration of the deadline. For EMRIP candidates, preferably one of the three letters should be from an organization or entity representing indigenous peoples. No additional documents, such as CVs, resumes, or supplementary reference letters beyond the first three received will be accepted.

- **APPLICATION DEADLINE: 16 NOVEMBER 2016 (12 NOON GREENWICH MEAN TIME / GMT)**
- **No incomplete or late applications will be accepted.**
- **Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed at a later stage.**

General description of the selection process is available at <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx>

In case of technical difficulties, or if encountering problems with accessing or completing the forms, you may contact the Secretariat by email at hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org or fax at + 41 22 917 9008.

You will receive an acknowledgment email when both parts of the application process, i.e. the data submitted through the online survey and the Word application form, have been received by email.

Thank you for your interest in the work of the Human Rights Council.

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I. PERSONAL DATA	
1. Family name: MANSAYAGAN	6. Year of birth: 27 November 1962
2. First name: EDTAMI	7. Place of birth: Carmen, Cotabato, Philippines
3. Maiden name (if any):	8. Nationality (please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): Filipino
4. Middle name: PINAYAO	9. Any other nationality: None
5. Sex: MALE	10. Indigenous origin: ERUMANEN NE MENUVU
11. Please indicate for which sociocultural region you are applying (please tick a box):	Arctic Asia (X) North America Pacific

You should include in the motivation letter in Section III. why you are applying for the specific sociocultural region.

II. MANDATE - SPECIFIC COMPETENCE / QUALIFICATIONS / KNOWLEDGE

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

1. 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 six official languages of the United Nations (i.e. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish.)

Appointed by the President of the United Nation Human Rights Council as Member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples(EMRIP) for the period 2014-2017 representing Asia and the Pacific. Also appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines as Member of the First (1998-2001) and Second (2001-2004) National Commission of Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), PHILIPPINES. NCIP is a national agency of the Philippine 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 Bachelors of Theology (B.Th) at Southern Christian College, Midsayap, Cotabato. I have a good communication skills in English both orally and written.

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2. 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.)

Having completed my first term as Member of Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples(2014-2017) provided the firsthand experience that enhanced my understanding and knowledge of international human rights instruments, norms and principles.

Way back in summer of 1998, I participated the first batch of the International Training Center for Indigenous Peoples (ITCIP), Nuuk, Greenland. The ITCIP training focused on the understanding the United Nation system and how indigenous peoples can effectively deal with UN existing mechanisms. As a representative of Lumad Mindanaw Peoples Federation (LMPF), I had the opportunity to attend several sessions of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and the Open Ended Inter-sessional Working Group for the Establishment of UN Permanent Forum for Indigenous Issues during those earlier years. I was also able to attend few sessions of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York. I was also able to attend seminars, meetings and trainings of the 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.

3. ESTABLISHED COMPETENCE (200 words)

Nationally, regionally or internationally recognized competence related to human rights. (Please explain how such competence was acquired.)

The team work that we practice among the EMRIP members including rotation of presiding in the conduct of session, enhanced my skill in the conduct international meetings.

As NCIP Commissioner for two successive terms, I also 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 Title (CALT) as provided in the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act of 1997 (IPRA/ Republic Act 8371), NCIP is also a quasi-judicial body, it has to decide cases filed before the

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Commission. This is in addition to more than 20 years working experience with indigenous peoples organization both from village level formation up to national alliances and networks. These experiences provided the need skills in facilitation of discussion during conferences and preside over formal meetings. I have a good grasp of parliamentary procedures.

4. PUBLICATIONS OR PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Please list-significant and relevant published books, articles, journals and reports that you have written or public statements, or pronouncements that you have made or events that you may have participated in relation to the mandate.

4.1. Enter three publications in relation to the mandate for which you are applying in the order of relevance:

**1. Title of publication: OUR CALL FOR FULL INCLUSION A collection of Articles on Peace, Indigenous Peoples Rights, and the Bangsamoro Basic Law
Journal/Publisher: Loyukan**

Date of publication: August 27, 2015

Web link, if available: www.lrcksk.org

2. Title of publication: MINDANAO HORIZONS Volume 3, No. 2011-02

Journal/Publisher: Ateneo de Manila School of Governance

Date of publication: July 2013

Web link, if available: www.mindanaopeace.org

3. Title of publication: World Summit on Indigenous Philanthropy

Journal/Publisher: International Funders for Indigenous Peoples

Date of publication: September 2014

Web link, if available: internationalfunders.org/conferences

If more than three publications, kindly summarize (200 words):

4.2. Enter three public statements or pronouncements made or events that you may have participated in relation to the mandate for which you are applying in the order of relevance:

**1. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:
Event organizer: Joint Senate Committee on Local Government; Peace, Unification and Reconciliation; and Constitutional Amendments and Revision of Codes, Senate of the Republic of the Philippines**

Date on which public statement/pronouncement made: 25 May 2015

Web link, if available: <http://www.senate.gov.ph/>

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**2. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:
Event organizer: Global Autonomy, Governance and Federalism Forum 2016
organized by Institute for Autonomy and Governance
Date on which public statement/pronouncement made: 19 October 2016
Web link, if available: www.iag.org.ph**

**3. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:
Event organizer: Kalindogan 2016 11th National Indigenous Young Leaders
Congress organized by Assisi Development Foundation
Date on which public statement/pronouncement made: 29 October 2016
Web link, if available: www.assisi-foundation.org**

If more than three, kindly summarize (200 words):

**5. FLEXIBILITY/READINESS AND AVAILABILITY OF TIME (200 words)
to perform effectively the functions of the mandate and to respond to its re-
quirements, including participating in Human Rights Council sessions in Gene-
va and General Assembly sessions in New York, traveling on special proce-
dures visits, drafting reports and engaging with a variety of stakeholders. (In-
dicate 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 as well as for special procedures visits. I can engage with variety of
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III. MOTIVATION LETTER, INCLUDING WHY YOU ARE APPLYING FOR THE SPECIFIC INDIGENOUS SOCIOCULTURAL REGION(S). (600 word limit)

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 reappointment as member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP Asia). My first three year term as a EMRIP member has been a great learning experience. I understand and have deeper appreciation how the whole United Nation system works based on the highest standard for the protection and promotion of human rights.

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 differently because of our distinct identities and world views. Most of our ancestral lands were already taken away from us. With the lost of the forest most of our people become vulnerable and marginalized. The strong awareness of our peoples identity motivated me to organized indigenous students while I was still in college. The assertion for the appropriate 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 in the Philippine Congress to pass the 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 the passage of IPRA. I was fortunate to be appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines as Commissioner for two successive terms for the National Commission for Indigenous Peoples. My stint in the Commission provided training and understanding of how bureaucracy work in the government system. The aspirations written in the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act which is similar to 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 national government structure. At present I continue to work with my own tribe to restore and enhance 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 be reappointed and serve as member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Thank you for your kind attention.

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IV. LANGUAGES (READ / WRITTEN / SPOKEN)

Please indicate all language skills below.

1. Mother tongue: *Erumanen ne Menuvu*

2. Knowledge of the official languages of the United Nations:

Arabic: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or Not easily: **No**
Write: Easily or Not easily: **No**
Speak: Easily or Not easily: **No**

Chinese: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: **No**
Write: Easily or not easily: **No**
Speak: Easily or not easily: **No**

English: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: **Yes**
Write: Easily or not easily: **Yes**
Speak: Easily or not easily: **Yes**

French: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: **No**
Write: Easily or not easily: **No**
Speak: Easily or not easily: **No**

Russian: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: **No**
Write: Easily or not easily: **No**
Speak: Easily or not easily: **No**

Spanish: Yes or no: If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: **No**
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Speak: Easily or not easily: **No**

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V. EDUCATIONAL RECORD

NOTE: Please list the candidate's academic qualifications (university level and higher).

Name of degree and name of academic institution:	Years of attendance (provide a range from-to, for example 1999-2003):	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.

Name of employer, functional title, main functions of position:	Years of work (provide a range from-to, for example 1999-2005):	Place and country:
The Samdhana Institute Inc. Deputy Director	2010-present	Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines
Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace Process (OPAPP), Consultant on issues and concerns for Indigenous Peoples	October 2010-December 2011	Ortigas, Pasig City, Metro Manila, Philippines
National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, Officer-In-Charge Executive Director	March 2003-August 2003	Quezon City, Metro Manila, Philippines
National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, Commissioner for Central Mindanao Ethnographic Region	February 2000- February 2004	Quezon City, Metro Manila, Philippines

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VII. COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICS AND INTEGRITY PROVISIONS

(of Human Rights Council resolution 5/1)

To be completed by the candidate or by the nominating entity on his/her behalf.

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.

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 I will comply with the provisions in paragraph 44 and 46 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1. I will always act on my personal capacity.

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 un-

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paid, 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.

I am no longer holding any position in the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and I have no other human rights functions in other mechanisms at international, regional, and national level.
