Dalia Leinartė (Lithuania)

Date and place of birth: 1958 October 25, Trakai, Lithuania

Working languages: English, Russian

Current position/function

Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, CEDAW

Fellow Commoner at Lucy Cavendish College, University of Cambridge

Main professional activities

Chairperson (2017-2018) and Vice-chairperson (2015-2016) of the CEDAW Committee, Chair of the Working Group in charge of drafting General Recommendation No 38 Trafficking in Women and Girls in the Context of Global Migration, adopted in 2020

Seminars in the graduate (LLM) course International Human Rights Law, Law Faculty, University of Cambridge, 2024

Senior researcher at the Faculty of Political Science and Diplomacy, Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania (2017-2024)

Member of Advisory Board of the Arts and Humanities Research Council, Doctoral Training Programme, University of Cambridge (2014-2017)

Visiting Professor at Idaho State University, USA (2005-2008)

Full Professor, Director of Gender Studies Centre at Vilnius University (2000-2017)

Educational background

PhD in History (1996), Vytautas Magnus University

Habilitation (highest university degree) in History (2009), Vilnius University

Fulbright Research Fellow, the State University of New York-Buffalo (2002-2003)

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Research Fellow, Idaho State University (2005-2006)

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

UN CEDAW: Member of the Working Group on Inquiries under the Optional Protocol (since 2023, 2017-2018); Member of the Working Group on Individual Communications under the Optional Protocol (2015-2016, 2019-2020); Rapporteur on reprisals (since 2021); Co-Focal Point for coordination with the Human Rights Committee and other human rights mechanisms (since 2022); Focal Point for 2020 Treaty Body Review. OSCE: Member of the Advisory Group on Anti-Human Trafficking, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, since 2019. CoD: Member of the Working Group on Women and Democracy, Community of Democracies (2010-2012)

Over 100 academic and professional presentations on these topics

List of most recent publications in the field

Rapporteur on the Guidelines on CEDAW General Recommendation No. 38 on trafficking in women and girls in the context of global migration, published 10 January 2023

Monograph: Family and the State in Soviet Lithuania. Gender, Law and Society. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2021

Women’s Experiences of Repression in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe (chapter). London: Routledge, 2017