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## Human Rights Council

Twenty-first session

Agenda item 1

Organizational and procedural matters

### Election of members of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee\*

Note by the Secretary-General\*\*

Addendum

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\* The information contained in the annex to the present report is circulated as received, in the language of submission only.

\*\* Late submission.

## I. Introduction

1. With reference to paragraphs 10, 11 and 12 of the note by the Secretary-General on the election of members of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee (A/HRC/21/17), the Secretariat has received additional information relating to candidatures for the vacant seats to be filled during the twenty-first session of the Human Rights Council.

## II. Additional candidatures

2. On 13 September 2012, the Permanent Mission of Senegal submitted to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the candidature of Imeru Tamrat Yigezu.

3. On 21 September 2012, the Permanent Mission of Austria submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner the candidature of Katharina Pabel.

4. The nominations received are listed below. The biographical data relating to the candidates are contained in the annex to the present note.

### African States

<i>Nominating State/Group</i>	<i>Expert nominated</i>
African Group	Imeru Tamrat Yigezu

### Western European and Other States

<i>Nominating State/Group</i>	<i>Expert nominated</i>
Austria	Katharina Pabel

## III. Complementary information relating to the candidate nominated by Bahrain

5. On 24 September 2012, in accordance with paragraph 68 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, and further to discussions with the Bureau of the Human Rights Council, the candidate nominated by Bahrain, Saeed Mohamed Al Faihani, informed the President of the Council in writing that he had relinquished all posts previously held in the Government of Bahrain.

## Annex

### Biographical data

[English only]

#### Mr. Imeru Tamrat Yigezu

(Nominated by the Group of African States)

#### Personal Data

Family name: Yigezu  
 First names: Imeru Tamrat  
 Place and Date of birth: 15 November, 1962  
 Nationality: Ethiopian  
 Civil Status: Married

#### Education:

<i>Institution [from – to]</i>	<i>Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:</i>
School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London [1991/1992]	Master of Laws (LL.M) Degree in International Environmental Law and Natural Resources (Merit)
Faculty of Law, Addis Ababa University (Ethiopia) [1983-1987]	Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) Degree (Chancellor's Medal)

**Language skills:** Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

<i>Language</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>
Amharic (Mother tongue)	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Fair	Fair	Fair

#### Membership of professional bodies:

**Regional Representative:** English Speaking African Countries, International Water Law Association (AIDA)

**Member and Former Executive Board Member:** Ethiopian Water Resources Professionals Association

#### Other skills:

Extensive use of MS Word, Excel, Outlook, Publisher, and Power Point; high proficiency in internet research.

**Present position:****Managing Director, Multi-Talent Consultancy Plc**

Years within the firm: 6 years

**Key qualifications:**

More than 20 years professional experience as consultant in the area of natural resources and environment, land administration and land rights, civil society and international trade, and as lecturer in water law, water rights and governance and environmental law and policy in the graduate programs of the Law Faculty and College of Development Studies of the Addis Ababa University ;

Long-standing experience in evaluation of national, intergovernmental, civil society programs/projects

Significant experience in working in a multicultural environment in several countries in Africa, Europe and the United States;

Significant experience as a team leader and manager in multi-country and national level consultancy projects;

Experience in providing training, capacity building and institutional development

More than 8 years academic experience as a teacher in international water law, environmental law and water rights and governance at graduate level and supervising master's thesis

Long standing experience representing Ethiopia as a negotiator in the Nile Basin and in international environmental negotiations;

Significant experience in moderating, facilitating and conducting interactive discussions at both the national and international levels;

Excellent research and writing skills.

**Specific country experience:**

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<i>Country</i>	<i>Date [from – to]</i>
Ethiopia	1987 to date
Kenya	2003
Uganda	2003
Democratic Republic of Congo	2003
Sudan	2011

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**Ms. Katharina Pabel**

(Nominated by the Government of Austria)

**Personal Data**

Birth Date 13.01.1969  
Birth Place Bonn, Germany  
Nationality German and Austrian

**Academic Education**

1988-1993 Studies of Law at Bonn University (Germany)  
1993 First Law Degree (appeals court Cologne, Germany)  
1994-1997 Trainee clerk (appeals court Cologne, Germany)  
1997 Second Law Degree (appeals court Cologne, Germany)  
2001 Doctor of Law at the Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelms University of Bonn (Germany); Title of Doctoral Thesis “Grundfragen der Kompetenzordnung im Bereich der Kunst”  
2009 Habilitation with *venia legendi* “Öffentliches Recht, Rechtsvergleichung, Staatskirchenrecht” at Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien (Austria); Title of Habilitation Thesis „Die Kontrollfunktion des Parlaments“

**Professional Career**

1997-2002 undergraduate and graduate research assistant at Bonn University (Germany)  
2002-2006 graduate research assistant at Graz University (Austria)  
2006-2009 graduate research assistant at Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien (Austria)  
2009 teaching at the University of Bonn (Germany)  
2009-2010 filling in of a vacant chair at the University of Cologne (Germany)  
2010- Professor of Public Law at the University of Linz (Austria); since October 2011 Head of department for administrative law and administrative studies

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