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UNCAC Coalition Coordination Committee Elections

Candidate Nomination and Self-Nomination Form 2024

** Nominations must be received by Wednesday, 22 May 2024, end of the day **

Please send applications and any questions regarding the elections or the role and responsibilities of CCC members to the Coalition's Vienna Hub: info@uncaccoalition.org

The list of members is available at <u>https://uncaccoalition.org/about-us/members-list/</u>. The current list of CCC members is available at: <u>https://uncaccoalition.org/about-us/coordination-committee/</u>

Part I: To be completed by those self-nominating and those nominating another member

Nominated organization's name: Anti-Corruption Coalition Uganda

Name of nominated organization's representative: Marlon Agaba

Nominated organization's e-mail: info@accu.or.ug, amarlon@accu.or.ug

Nominated organization's website: www.accu.or.ug

Nominated organization's country: Uganda

Name and organization of individual nominating (if this is not a self-nomination): Self-nomination

Which seat are you nominating for? Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Seat 1

The seats up for election are: (a) Americas Regional Seat; (b) Europe Regional Seat 1; (c) South Asia Regional Seat; (d) Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Seat 1; (e) International Member Organization Seat 1.

Part II: To be completed by those self-nominating; if this is not a self-nomination, the UNCAC Coalition will follow up with the nominee to obtain the below information

Organization profile (200 words)

Please provide a **200-word profile of the nominated organization, including link to its website,** for circulation to Ordinary Members:

Anti-Corruption Coalition Uganda (ACCU) was formed in 1999, with the sole objective of providing a forum through which various anti-corruption actors can enhance their capabilities and act as one strong voice and force that can effectively engage government on issues of corruption. The organization brings together like-minded organizations and individual actors whose pre-occupation is exposure and advocacy in the fight against corruption in Uganda.

ACCU works with national Civil Society Organizations engaged in the accountability sector. At the local level ACCU works with and through 15 Regional Anti-Corruption Organisations that are spread out in the various parts of Uganda. We also work with state agencies, media, academia, traditional and religious institutions, development actors, to advance the governance and accountability agenda in Uganda.

As the leading anti-corruption CSO in the country, ACCU has the convening, coordinating and catalysing power to galvanize civil society around governance and anti-corruption. ACCU's interventions have impacted millions of lives in Uganda, through the implementation of over 40 projects. Our vision is to see "A transparent and corruption free society". Our mission is "To empower citizens to actively and sustainably demand for transparency and accountability from public and private sectors". Our website is accessible at: <u>www.accu.or.ug</u>

Organization experience (200 words)

Please provide an overview of the nominated organization's experience in the UNCAC Coalition and its UNCAC-related activities, for circulation to Ordinary Members:

ACCU with support from UNDOC in 2011 conducted a study and engaged the private sector on adherence to the UNCAC. The overall objective of the program was to strengthen the voice of civil society at the national and international level to fight against corruption through the understanding of the UNCAC and its review mechanism, so as to promote human rights and good governance. The process involved participating in review meetings, drafting sessions and completing the report.

ACCU has over the years been a member and worked with the UNCAC Coalition especially towards assessing Uganda's implementation of the UNCAC. In 2021, ACCU with support UNCAC Coalition developed the CSO Parallel Report on Uganda's Implementation of the UNCAC, focusing on preventive measures and asset recovery. We are still undertaking engagements with key stakeholders on implementation of the report recommendations. We have also engaged the government of Uganda to publish online the self-assessment checklist and the full report, as well as signing the transparency pledge.

Please list your **top 3 priorities** for the Coalition what you would like to achieve as a CCC Member:

- Strengthening information sharing and learning amongst coalition members.
- Collaboration in the area of research and sharing of findings at the international level.
- Building solidarity across borders for the protection of anti-corruption activists.

Profile of candidate (200 words)

Please provide a **200-word profile of the person who will represent the nominated organization** <u>and a photograph (submitted attached)</u> for circulation to Ordinary Members. In addition, you may also include a link to a video profiling the candidate and organization:

Marlon Agaba possesses over 14 years of progressive experience in programme management, development communication and civic engagement in Uganda. He has worked with Anti-Corruption Coalition Uganda since 2015, first as the Communications Manager, later as Head of Programmes and currently as the Executive Director. He holds a Master of Art in Journalism and Communication and post-graduate training in Project Planning and Management.

Mr. Agaba has enormous experience engaging governance and accountability actors in Uganda. He has provided input into several anti-corruption laws, policies and strategies in Uganda. He has wide experience engaging state and non-state actors on issues related to transparency and accountability. In 2021, Mr. Agaba led the team that developed the CSO parallel report on implementation of the UNCAC in Uganda. He has designed several anti-corruption campaigns on issues including; voter bribery, wasteful public expenditures and implementation of anti-corruption laws.

Mr. Agaba has conducted several studies, policy analyses and research papers on a myriad of contemporary issues. He is a regular panellist and pundit in mainstream media on governance issues in Uganda. He has consulted for several organisations. He is also a regular panellist on government accountability platforms. He possesses impeccable experience in managing governance projects.

Contributions you will make to the work of the Coalition (max 100 words)

Please provide a brief description of how you are planning to contribute to the work of the UNCAC Coalition, e.g. detailing specific issue expertise, experiences and perspectives you would like to bring to contribute, and how the work at your organization links to a role on the board of the Coalition.

I will bring on board extensive knowledge in research, policy analysis, public engagement, strategic advocacy and excellent analytical skills as well as strong writing skills. I also bring on board wide experience in coordinating national and grassroots anti-corruption movements as well as commentary on governance issues. Anti Corruption Coalition Uganda is an umbrella organisation for anti-corruption CSOs in Uganda, bringing on board several organisations. I believe this is strongly related to the UNCAC Coalition, as the Coalition also brings together several entities from all over the world, committed to implementation of the UNCAC.

Part III: Declaration of Interests

Each candidate to the CCC shall fill out and submit this Declaration of Interest form no later than one week prior to the CCC election and submit it jointly with their candidacy. Once elected, CCC members commit to keep such declarations updated. To that effect, they will be required to explicitly confirm that their respective register is still current or to update it ahead of every in-person CCC meeting and any CCC meeting with agenda items where a conflict of interest may arise (i.e. decisions on contracts, consultancies, etc.).

The completed declarations will be published on the UNCAC Coalition website following explicit consent from the respective individual, in conformity with applicable GDPR provisions.

Name	Marlon Agaba
Date of election/ of appointment	N/A
Submitted/ last updated	April 18, 2024

Name of your primary employer ¹	Anti Corruption Coalition Uganda
Name of any other employers or	None
major clients ² over the past two	
years	
Name of organisations on which	None
Board or Board committees you	
currently serve	
Name of any business(es),	None
organization(s) or entities in	
which you have a significant	
financial investment or other	
vested financial interest ³	
Any interests of close relatives ⁴	None
that may be relevant to the	
Coalition's work	
Any other interest you believe	None
necessary to declare: relevant	
(non-) remunerated roles and	
positions, memberships, etc.	

Please note: if in a discussion of the Coalition Coordination Committee (whether in person, teleconference, or otherwise), an unanticipated and undeclared interest arises, you must notify the Chair and comply with CCC's decision concerning your (non-)participation in the relevant CCC agenda item.

By submitting this form, you confirm that, to the best of your knowledge, the information in the form is current, complete and accurate. By submitting the form, you also acknowledge and pledge to comply with the Coalition's Ethical Guidelines and Policy on Conflicts of Interests, Gifts and Anti-Corruption and also consent to the publication of this document on the UNCAC Coalition website.

Kampala, April 18, 2024 Place, date

Signature

¹ Wherever appropriate, please provide an adequate level of detail (such as the jurisdiction companies or organisations are registered in, possibly also the employer's website) so that the information provided here is sufficient to help document relevant interests.

² Major clients are individuals or organisations that provided for 10% or more of the declaring individual's income over the past two years.

³ More than 10% ownership or controlling position, or investment of more than 5% of his/her total assets.

⁴ *Close relatives* includes mother, father, siblings, children, spouse, first degree cousins.