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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 <sup>1</sup> :
Center for Fiscal Transparency & Integrity Watch
Name of nominated organization's representative:
Jmar Yakubu
Nominated organization's e-mail:
mail@fiscaltransparency.org
Nominated organization's website:
www.fiscaltransparency.org
Nominated organization's country:
Nigeria
Name and organization of individual nominating (if this is not a self-nomination):
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## Which seat are you nominating for?

#### d) 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; (f) Individual member Seat

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In case of a nomination for individual member seat: name of the person and his/her email, as well as a website, if available.

# 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 - leave empty for individual member seat)

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

Center for Fiscal Transparency and Integrity Watch

Country: Nigeria

Website: www.fiscaltransparency.org

Social media: Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, LinkedIn

Head of Organisation: Umar Yakubu, Executive Director

Email: mail@fiscaltransparency.org

#### **Mission Statement**

To promote good governance, transparency, accountability and public sector integrity through advocacy

#### Our Vision

To enhance human dignity in the public space

#### **Priority Areas**

- Fiscal Transparency
- Public Sector Integrity
- Access to Information
- Data Science
- Organized Crime Prevention

The Center for Fiscal Transparency and Integrity Watch is a non-partisan and nongovernmental organization established in 2016 to promote good governance by strengthening systems and mechanisms that enhance transparency and accountability of public institutions at the national and subnational levels. The Center collaborates with government, media and civil society partners to design and implement programs and interventions in fiscal transparency, public sector integrity, organized crime prevention, anticorruption and data science.

#### Our Work

## i. Transparency and Integrity Index

(https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/transparency-and-integrity-index/)

# ii. Countering Organized Crime Programme

https://cocpng.org/

## iii. Passage of Anti-corruption Bills

https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/stakeholders-urge-9th-national-assemblyto-expedite-passage-of-the-witness-protection-bill-to-strengthen-the-anticorruption-environment/

# iv. National Anti-corruption Strategy (NACS)

(https://fiscaltransparency.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Action-Plan-For-Implementation-NACS.pdf)

## v. Probes Monitor

(https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/probesmonitor/current-probes)

## vi. Electoral Financing

(https://fiscaltransparency.org/electoralfinancing/)

## Our Publications and other advocacies

https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/publications-3/

https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/newsletters/

https://www.fiscaltransparency.org/gallery/

Organization experience (200 words - leave empty for individual member seat)

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

The Center developed a comprehensive manual based on Nigeria's commitment to international legislation, such as the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) to sustain existing anti-corruption efforts. The manual also entails the African Union Convention on Prevention and Combating Corruption, United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime and Financial Action Task Force. The manual serves as a guide for public sector stakeholders to implement and a tool for civil society to monitor progress and effectiveness.

https://uncaccoalition.org/anti-corruption-platforms/africa/nigeria/center-for-fiscaltransparency-and-integrity-watch-ceftiw/

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

- 1. Broaden the network of CSO by encouraging more members.
- 2. Enhance the CSO Monitoring Mechanism for the Implementation of UNCAC members
- 3. Deepen advocacy on public sector transparency.

#### 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:

Umar Yakubu specializes has been involved in policymaking related to the legal and institutional framework of anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) in Nigeria by serving on the Presidential Committee on Financial Action Task Force (PCFATF). He also worked on the technical committee that addressed FATF's strategic deficiencies, which got Nigeria delisted as a country of 'high-risk' by FATF in 2013.

At the international level, he has consulted and researched for the Intergovernmental Action Group against Money Laundering (GIABA), United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime (UNODC) and the European Union (EU). At the Sixty-Seventh (67th) United Nations General Assembly, he worked on the Sixth Committee (Legal Committee) to assess Nigeria's implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) measures and other global and regional Instruments to combat corruption.

He has delivered papers and conducted capacity development programmes for judicial officers, civil servants, organized private sector, non-organized private sector, students and civil society organizations. He also developed the pioneer Transparency & Integrity Index 2021- an assessment of all federal and state institutions' compliance with international and domestic laws, policies on Open Governance; Budget Transparency, Accountability and Sustainability; Human Resources; Public Procurement and Civil Engagement.

He is a member of the Nigerian Economic Society (NES), Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM), Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS), Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) and Centre for Counter Fraud Studies (CCFS), UK.

#### The Office of Umar Yakubu

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 shall provide my expertise in anti-corruption to the Board in enhancing the objectives of the Coalition. My relative experience and perspective at the regional level shall be deployed to enrich the workings of the CCC. I shall utilize the platform to collaborate with other members and CSO to enhance the objectives of the Coalition through advocacies for stronger anti-corruption legislation, policies and practices that will enhance accountability. In all my work, I shall demonstrate commitment and contribute positive effort in achieving the goals of the Coalition.

# 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	Umar Yakubu
Date of election/ of appointment	May 2022
Submitted/ last updated	May 2024

Name of your primary employer <sup>2</sup>	Center for Fiscal Transparency & Integrity Watch
	www.fiscaltransparency.org
Name of any other employers or	NIL
major clients <sup>3</sup> over the past two	
years	
Name of organisations on which	NIL
Board or Board committees you	
currently serve	
Name of any business(es),	Counter Fraud Center LLC
organization(s) or entities in	(www.counterfraudcenter.org)
which you have a significant	
financial investment or other	
vested financial interest <sup>4</sup>	
Any interests of close relatives <sup>5</sup>	NIL
that may be relevant to the	
Coalition's work	
Any other interest you believe	NIL
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.

Nigeria, 22/05/2024 Place, date

Signature

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Major clients are individuals or organisations that provided for 10% or more of the declaring individual's income over the past two years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> More than 10% ownership or controlling position, or investment of more than 5% of his/her total assets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Close relatives* includes mother, father, siblings, children, spouse, first degree cousins.