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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](mailto:info@uncaccoalition.org)

The list of members is available at <https://uncaccoalition.org/about-us/members-list/>.

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

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

<b>Nominated organization's name<sup>1</sup>:</b>	International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES)
<b>Name of nominated organization's representative:</b>	Chad Vickery
<b>Nominated organization's e-mail:</b>	partnerships@ifes.org
<b>Nominated organization's website:</b>	www.IFES.org
<b>Nominated organization's country:</b>	United States
<b>Name and organization of individual nominating (if this is not a self-nomination):</b>	N/A
<b>Which seat are you nominating for?</b>	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
	<u>(e) International Member Organization Seat 1</u>

<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:

The [International Foundation for Electoral Systems](#) (IFES) works with a diverse range of partners worldwide to combat corruption, support democratic renewal, and build trust in democratic processes and institutions. Our research and programs address the greatest threats to democracy – from tackling illicit financing of parties and candidates, to countering disinformation campaigns designed to diminish trust in elections. As an incubator for thought leadership, we combine decades of practical experience with new evidence to implement innovative programs. Our teams:

\*Strengthen the efforts of public officials, independent institutions, and civil society to promote good governance, and build durable democratic institutions and justice systems that protect the rule of law.

\*Facilitate peer exchange and learning and strengthen inter-institutional cooperation on priority topics, such as transparency around money in politics, and effective mechanisms for civil and criminal enforcement action.

\*Support development and introduction of user-friendly digital solutions and adoption of open data practices amongst institutions, to bolster transparency and accountability.

\*Link research on electoral corruption to the broader field of political integrity, and exposes how lax legal frameworks and enforcement around money in politics and use of state resources can open the door for policy distortion and consolidation of incumbent power.

**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:

IFES regularly takes part in United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) Conferences of State Parties (COSP), having attended the third, sixth, eighth, ninth and tenth sessions. Since late 2022, IFES has played a leading role, together with other UNCAC Coalition member organizations, in advocating for an UNCAC resolution on political finance. For instance, IFES participated (as moderator and panelist) in the political finance session of the UNCAC Coalition's Global Coalition Conference in June 2023. IFES also held four trainings on abuse of state resources for UNCAC Coalition member organizations from June-July 2023, reaching civil society groups in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean. These training courses exposed participants to various concepts and considerations regarding abuse of state resources, and examined approaches to counteracting violations in the future. IFES also

seeks to facilitate introductions and coordination amongst UNCAC Coalition partners seeking support, advice, and collaborative action on election integrity, and countering closing civic space.

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

- Strengthening understanding and collective advocacy around minimum standards for political finance transparency, and securing adoption of a resolution on this critical topic at the 11<sup>th</sup> UNCAC COSP.
- Addressing issues of transnational and strategic corruption that undermine democratic norms and standards (e.g. preventing illicit financial flows from entering campaigns).
- Facilitating peer-to-peer dialogues with members of the UNCAC Coalition to collaboratively identify additional areas for advancing application of open data standards, information sharing, and use of advanced analytical tools (including AI) in anti-corruption programming.

**Profile of candidate (200 words)**

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

Chad Vickery has extensive legal and international election administration experience with an emphasis on strengthening democracy and governance in transitioning societies. He specializes in designing and managing electoral integrity initiatives; enhancing election complaint adjudication mechanisms; providing comparative legal analysis; and working on rule of law programs globally. Vickery's specific programmatic experience includes leading electoral integrity assessments and projects designed to ensure the development of impartial legal frameworks for elections, increasing the professionalism of election management bodies, establishing effective election dispute programs, and increasing the political participation of historically disenfranchised groups in electoral processes. He also spearheaded development of new methodologies for assessing the integrity of elections, with a focus on electoral fraud and malpractice and the investigation and adjudication of electoral complaints. He is a member of the Advisory Board to the Electoral Integrity Project (launched out of the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in 2012). He is also a member of the Washington State Bar and has been appointed to the American Bar Association's (ABA) Advisory Committee to the Standing Committee on Election Law and is co-Chair of the Task Force on International Election Law within the ABA Section of International Law.

For more information on IFES, see: [https://youtu.be/k9r6Uf\\_Cbw0](https://youtu.be/k9r6Uf_Cbw0).

**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.

Vickery will draw on his lengthy legal and administrative experience regarding democracy and institutional integrity to further the fight against corruption, with a particular focus on corruption related to electoral processes. Vickery’s global technical experience with legal reform, investigation, and adjudication of election disputes (including political corruption related disputes) can contribute to the engagements of UNCAC Coalition in the fight against impunity, and strategic litigation relating to corruption.

## 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.

<b>Name</b>	Chad R. Vickery
<b>Date of election/ of appointment</b>	N/A
<b>Submitted/ last updated</b>	N/A

<b>Name of your primary employer<sup>2</sup></b>	International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES)
<b>Name of any other employers or major clients<sup>3</sup> over the past two years</b>	N/A
<b>Name of organisations on which Board or Board committees you currently serve</b>	Advisory Board to the Electoral Integrity Project Standing Committee on Election Law, American Bar Association
<b>Name of any business(es), organization(s) or entities in which you have a significant financial investment or other vested financial interest<sup>4</sup></b>	N/A
<b>Any interests of close relatives<sup>5</sup> that may be relevant to the Coalition's work</b>	N/A
<b>Any other interest you believe necessary to declare: relevant (non-) remunerated roles and positions, memberships, etc.</b>	N/A

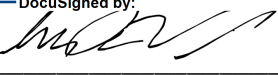
Please note: if in a discussion of the Coalition Coordination Committee (whether in person, teleconference, or otherwise), an unanticipated and undeclared interest arises, you must notify the Chair and comply with CCC's decision concerning your (non-)participation in the relevant CCC agenda item.

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.

Arlington, VA, USA

May 22, 2024 | 11:26 AM EDT

Place, date

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

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

