



# Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs

**Thursday, 2 December 2021**  
United Nations Headquarters, New York  
(Online)

## AGENDA

- 10:30 am      **Opening Remarks**  
*Mr. Stephen Mathias*  
*Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, UN Office of Legal Affairs*
- 10:40 am      **The Mandate of the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs**  
*Mr. David Nanopoulos, Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*
- ▶ *General presentation of the depositary, registration and publication functions discharged by the Treaty Section*
- 11:00 am      **The Role of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties**  
*Ms. Arancha Hinojal Oyarbide, Head of the Depositary and Registration Units, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*
- ▶ *Examination of the role of the Secretary-General as Depositary*
- 12:00 pm      **Lunch break**
- 1:00 pm      **Guest presentation from the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on the Statelessness Conventions**  
*Ms. Marcella Rouweler, Legal Officer, UNHCR*
- ▶ *Examination of UNHCR's mandate on statelessness, overview of the Statelessness Conventions and accessions to date, implementation of the Conventions*

1:45 pm

**The Depositary Practice of the Secretary-General**

*Ms. Dina Hamdy, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*

► *Examination of depositary practice including a review of final clauses such as participation, signature, consent to be bound, reservations, declarations*

2:30 pm

**The Registration of Treaties under Article 102 of the UN Charter: Review of the General Assembly Regulations**

*Ms. Evelyn Campos Sanchez, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*

► *A Review of the process of registration and publication, in light of the Regulations to Give Effect to Article 102 of the Charter, adopted by the General Assembly*

3:00 pm

**The Amendments to the Regulations to give effect to Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations**

*Ms. Shin Yi Mak, Associate Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*

► *Presentation of the Amendments to the Regulations adopted by the Sixth Committee at its seventy-sixth session*

3:30 pm

**End of Seminar**