

CANDIDATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF NIGER FOR THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION

An international lawyer trained in Geneva and Moscow, I am the candidate of the Republic of Niger for election to the International Law Commission of the United Nations. An academic, former judge, and former head of a national institution, I have an in-depth understanding of issues relating to African international law and of the challenges it faces at the subregional, regional, and international levels. Throughout my professional career, I have been consistently engaged in the development of both international and domestic law.

I am deeply committed to scholarly research: I am a member of the Scientific Council of Abdou Moumouni University, a member of several legal journals, and Director of Publication of the *Nigerien Review of Legal and Political Sciences*. I have served as Head of the Department of Public Law, member and Vice-President of the Constitutional Court of Niger, and First President of the Court of Auditors of Niger.

Currently a Full Professor of Universities (CAMES) and Dean of the Faculty of Legal and Political Sciences, I am seeking **election to the United Nations International Law Commission**.



Pr Oumarou NAREY

MY VISION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION

Public international law is intended to be « *more readily the reflection of a state of collective legal consciousness and a response to the social necessities of States organized in community. To the evolution of international society itself must be added the progress achieved in the technological sphere [...]* » (**Judge Mohamed Bedjaoui, Separate Opinion appended to the Advisory Opinion of the ICJ, Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons, I.C.J. Reports 1996, p. 268, para. 13**).

This opinion, which I fully endorse, provides the starting point for a reflection that is more relevant than ever at a time when international law is confronted with the profound political and legal transformations of the twenty-first century. These developments give rise to functional, institutional, and legal challenges.

As a jurist of the highest standing, I am convinced that international law must remain a dynamic instrument serving peace, justice, and cooperation among States.

The challenges of the twenty-first century—climate change, the digital revolution, artificial intelligence, cyberspace, pandemics, forced displacement, the protection of common resources, and the proliferation of non-State actors—call into question the classical foundations of the international legal order. My vision is of **an International Law Commission resolutely oriented towards the future**, capable of anticipating global transformations and proposing responses suited to our time. Its mandate of codification and progressive development of international law must strengthen legal certainty while preserving sovereignty, the sovereign equality of States, the peaceful settlement of disputes, and strict respect for human rights.

MORE THAN 25 YEARS IN THE SERVICE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

A DISTINGUISHED CAREER

- Doctor of Law**, University of Geneva — Dissertation on the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court, published in Europe — **2005**
- First President** of the Court of Auditors of Niger **2019 – 2023**
- Contributor** to the Commentary on the First Geneva Convention (ICRC / Cambridge University Press) — **2016**
- Agrégé and Full Professor** under the CAMES system; member of the agrégation examination boards **2021, 2023** and **2025**
- Dean**, Faculty of Legal and Political Sciences, Abdou Moumouni University — **2024 to date**
- Member and Vice-President** de of the Constitutional Court **2010 –2019**
- President** of the Nigerien Association for International Law (ANDI) — **2024 to dae**
- Expert** for CAMES, the African Union, the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF), ECOWAS, and the Republic of Niger

MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION

I will place my more than **25 years of experience** and my commitment as a scholar at the service of a **modern, inclusive, and effective international law**, capable of meeting the expectations of present and **future generations**.

As a member of the International Law Commission, I would promote reflection on the Commission’s working methods and on the reforms that have become imperative within the United Nations. I would also advocate an approach that fosters **dialogue** among **different legal traditions**, ensures greater consideration of the concerns of **developing countries**, and encourages in-depth reflection on emerging areas—such as the governance of artificial intelligence, the responsibility of actors in cyberspace, the protection of the environment, and the strengthening of the effectiveness of international law—which require normative regulation at the international level. In a complex context of interdependent global challenges, international law must continue to serve as a vector of stability, predictability, and solidarity.



Reforms and Moderation

To promote reflection on the United Nations’ working methods and on the reforms that have become imperative.



To foster dialogue among legal traditions

To foster dialogue among the world’s different legal systems and traditions.



To give voice to developing countries

To ensure that their concerns are better taken into account in the development and effective implementation of international law.



To provide a normative framework for emerging areas

Governance and responsibility in cyberspace, and the protection of the environment and common resources.

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A COMPREHENSIVE PROFILE DEDICATED TO THE CODIFICATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

◆ Public International Law

◆ International Criminal Law

◆ International Humanitarian Law

◆ Collective Security

◆ International Legal Cooperation

◆ Codification and Progressive Development of International Law

◆ International Human Rights Law

◆ International Economic Law

◆ International Regulation of Public Finances



Professor Oumarou NAREY's Career



ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- ♦ **Aggregation** in Public Law (CAMES) — **2013**
- ♦ **Doctorate in Law** — University of Geneva, Switzerland - **2005**
- ♦ **DEA in Law** — University of Geneva, Switzerland — **2001**
- ♦ **Master & Bachelor of Arts in Law** — Univ. Patrice Lumumba, Moscou - **1998**
- ♦ International Academy of Constitutional Law — Tunis — **2010**



INTERNATIONAL DOCTORAL SUPERVISION

- ♦ United Nations Collective Security and Contemporary Armed Conflicts
- ♦ The Responsibility to Protect; Victims before the International Criminal Court
- ♦ Transnational Crime in the Sahel; Protection of Refugees



LANGUAGES

- ♦ **French – English – Russian** (reading, writing, speaking)



HONOURS AND DISTINCTIONS

- ♦ **Officer** of the Order of Academic Palms of Niger - **2022**
- ♦ **Knight** of the National Order of Niger - **2020**
- ♦ **Knight** of the International Order of Academic Palms (OIPA-CAMES) - **2020**



FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- ♦ **Director of the Laboratory** for Studies and Research in International Law, Community Law, Administrative Law, and Constitutional Law (LerDIDAC) at the Doctoral School of Letters, Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Abdou Moumouni University of Niamey, effective August 29, 2025.
- ♦ **Dean**, Faculty of Legal and Political Sciences — Abdou Moumouni University— **2024 to date**
- ♦ **First President**, Court of Auditors of Niger - **2019 – 2023**
- ♦ **Member** and **Vice-President**, Constitutional Court of Niger **2010 — 2019**
- ♦ **Member** of the **CAMES** Agrégation **Examination** Board in Public Law - **2021, 2023, 2025**
- ♦ **Professeur titulaire** des universités (CAMES) — **2018**



NOTABLE PUBLICATIONS

- ♦ The Normative Power of the United Nations General Assembly: Myth or Reality? -**2024**
- ♦ The Contribution of African International Legal Scholarship to the Codification of International Law in the Work of the International Law Commission - **2023**
- ♦ Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities of **OHADA** Officials - **2020**
- ♦ The International Criminal Court and Africa: Analysis of Ongoing Proceedings - **2015**
- ♦ Appeals before International Courts and Tribunals -**2011**
- ♦ Review of the Constitutionality of Treaties and International Agreements - **2008**
- ♦ Human Rights in Rural Areas - **2007**
- ♦ The Jurisdictional Powers of the International Criminal Court - **2005**
- ♦ United Nations Reform - **1998**
- ♦ The Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes - **1996**



INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT AND NETWORKS

- ♦ Vice President of the International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL), effective **July 8, 2026**.
- ♦ **President**, Nigerien Association for International Law (ANDI) - **2024**
- ♦ **Member**, African Association of International Law (ASADI) - **2022**
- ♦ **Member**, International Association of Penal Law (AIDP)
- ♦ **Expert: African Union, OIF** (electoral missions), **UNESCO, ECOWAS**



INTERNATIONAL DISTINCTIONS

- ♦ Chair of doctoral thesis examination boards at the Universities of Abomey- Calavi, Bouaké, Félix Houphouët-Boigny, and Thomas Sankara
- ♦ Member of doctoral thesis examination boards at universities in the subregion and at French universities
- ♦ Representative of the NGO at the proceedings of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, Geneva - **2002-2003**



SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

+30

PUBLISHED
ARTICLES

+7

EDITED
REFERENCE
WORKS

+30

NATIONAL
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