

## **Marie-Christine Ntagwirumugara (Burundi)**

**Date and place of birth:** 28/11/1959, Bujumbura

**Working languages:** French and English

### **Current position/function:**

I am a member of Burundian Parliament ,Gender Focal point in the Parliament

### **Main professional activities:**

- Sensitisation activities regarding to human rights, good governance and rule of law.
- Consultant on gender issues for World Bank, UNFPA, Global rights UNIFEM, Action Aid,UNDP and several local NGOs
- Human rights trainer for several organisations working in Burundi among others ,the Office of the Commissioner for human rights in Burundi
- Legal representative of Catholic Lawyers Association
- Co-Founder of the Women Lawyers Association
- Member of the Advocacy network of Women MPs and Ministers for the implementation of the gender based approach in the Burundian legal instruments

### **Educational background:**

1. Bachelor Degree in Law (licence en droit), 2. Certificate in the judiciary reforms regional course, DAKAR 2000, 3.Certificate in gender based approach, Bujumbura 2000, 4. Certificate in women conflict management, Kigali 2002, 5. Certificate in the 8<sup>th</sup> training on making governance gender responsive, Manilla 2007

### **Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:**

- Advocacy activities for the adoption of the law on inheritance in Burundi
- Training Workshops on CEDAW
- Sensitization against women sexual abuse and inhuman treatment
- Training on the inheritance, matrimonial regime and donation Code
- Training of paralegals

### **List of most recent publications in the field:**

- The regulation of administrative contentious in Burundian legal system, October 1986
- Positive aspects and deficiencies on the protection system of women in Burundi,2001
- An advocacy instrument for a National Constitutional Gender Council, March 2002
- Training manuel on CEDAW and its legal implication in Burundi, November 2005
- Alternative report on the application of CEDAW in Burundi,January2007