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- Date and place of birth:** 14 April 1954, Shinyanga, Tanzania
- Working languages:** English, Kiswahili
- Current position/function:** Professor of Law
1. Teaching Public International Law; Human Rights; Refugee Law and International Humanitarian Law.
 2. Guiding undergraduate and graduate students in their research work.
 3. External Examiner to various Universities including: Nairobi (Kenya); Makerere (Uganda); Pretoria (South Africa); Witts (South Africa); Fort Hare (South Africa); and University of South Africa (UNISA).
 4. Visiting Professor to various Universities including: Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Lund, Sweden; Max Planck Institute for Foreign Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany; University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany; and Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz, Austria.
- Main professional activities:**
1. Advocate of the High Court of Tanzania: handling *pro bono* cases for the poor.
 2. Chairman of Legal Aid Committee of the Faculty: Providing free legal aid and Counselling to the poor and vulnerable members of the society.
 3. Member of the Advisory Board: *Yearbook of the International Humanitarian Law* Published by the Asser Institute, The Hague, The Netherlands.
 4. Member of the Board: Many regional and national Institutions dealing with Human Rights; Democratisation; Rule of Law and Constitutionalism.
- Educational background:**
1. Doctorate in Law (PH.D), University of Konstanz, Germany – 1989.
 2. Master of Laws (LL.M), University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – 1984.
 3. Bachelor of Laws (LL.B), University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – 1980.
 4. Diploma in Higher Education, University of Kassel, Germany, 1990.

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

1. Attending the World Conference on Racism, Racial Discrimination and Xenophobia and Related Tendencies, Durban, South Africa, 2001.
2. General Rapporteur of the Penal Reform International Conference on Access to Justice in Africa and Beyond, Lilongwe, Malawi, November, 2004.
3. Training of Judges, Magistrates, State Attorneys, Police and Prison Officers on Human Rights under the co-ordination of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
4. Advocating for and defending indigenous minorities in Tanzania.

Most recent publications in the field:

1. "Human Rights of Indigenous Minorities in Tanzania and the Courts of Law," Volume 14 No. 4 *International Journal of Group and Minority Rights*, 2007.
2. *Law and Justice in Tanzania* (Edited with Helen Kijo Bisimba) Dar es Salaam: Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, 2007.
3. *Searching for Sense and Humanity: Civil Society and the Struggle for a Better Rwanda*, (Edited with Edith Kibalama) Kampala: Fountain Publishers Ltd, 2006.
4. "Liberating the Slave of the Slave: Contribution of the New Protocol on the Rights of Women in Africa to the Struggle for Gender Equality," in SCHOLLER, Heinrich and Silvia Tellenbach (eds.), *Faktoren der Entstehung und Überwindung unfreier Arbeit in Europa und in den afrikanischen Kolonien*, Munster, Germany: Lit Verlag, 2005, p. 57.
5. *Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerances in Tanzania*, African Association of Political Science, Volume 6 No. 2 Occasional Paper Series, 2002.