
Jens Dahl

Candidate of Denmark
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Denmark is proud to present

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...Mr. Dahl as the Nordic candidate to the elections to the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on 25-26th April 2013, in the belief that his professional and personal skills that include comprehensive research and field experience from all regions of the world makes him highly qualified to contribute to the demanding work of the Permanent Forum and to support its efforts to provide high-level advice to the UN Economic and Social Council, as well as to UN-agencies, indigenous groups and UN member states on indigenous issues.

Mr. Dahl holds the equivalent of a PhD in anthropology from the University of Copenhagen (1974). His scientific and practical experience regarding indigenous peoples worldwide covers field research in indigenous communities in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Pacific, Russia and the Arctic. Moreover, Mr. Dahl has over the last 20 years participated regularly in UN meetings on indigenous issues, including the working group that prepared the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the working group that prepared the establishment of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. Mr. Dahl currently holds a position as adjunct professor at the University of Copenhagen.

Mr. Jens Dahl

Born 1946. Anthropologist
(PhD equivalent, University of Copenhagen)
Mr. Dahl...

... held for more than 20 years a position as professor of Inuit and Arctic Studies, University of Copenhagen.

....has held the position of Director of the International Work Group on Indigenous Affairs (IWGIA) from 1989-1994 and from 1998-2006 and has held a number of significant international assignments through membership of advisory bodies, boards and associations dealing with indigenous issues.

....is presently adjunct professor at the University of Copenhagen, Department of Cross-Cultural and Regional Studies, following a number of years with research positions at the University of Copenhagen. He has published extensively, most recently the book 'The Indigenous Space and Marginalized Peoples in the United Nations' (Palgrave, December 2012).

....has in-depth knowledge of indigenous peoples worldwide and is an expert on Arctic indigenous issues, land rights and environmental issues. He has field experience from long-term stays with indigenous communities from all regions of the world.

....participated in the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, the working group that prepared the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as well as the working group that prepared the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and is still a regular participant in UN meetings related to indigenous issues.