# **EDUCATION**

- 2012-: M.A. in Maltese Studies, Institute of Maltese Studies, University of Malta.
- 1992-1994: Diploma in Political Studies, FEMA, University of Malta.
- 1985-1987: Diploma in Administration and Management in Education, Faculty of Education, University of Malta.
- 1966-1968: Teachers' Training Certificate with French as a special field of study.

# **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

## Current job

- 01.01.2014-: Executive Director, National Commission for the Promotion of Equality.
- 12.05.2014-: Acting Executive Director, Commissioner, National Commission for the Promotion of Equality.

## Previous professional experience

- 2011-2012: Gender Consultant, Outlook Coop.
- 2005-2010: Assistant Director (Finance and Administration), Government Property Division, Ministry of Finance, Economy and Investment/Ministry for Justice and Home Affairs.
- 2004-2005: Officer, Department of Libraries and Archives, Ministry of Education, Youth and Employment.
- 1998-2003: Director, Department for Women in Society, Ministry for Social Policy.
- 1997-1998: Adviser to the Parliamentary Secretary on women's rights, Office of the Prime Minister.
- 1996: Assistant Head of School, St. Teresa Girls' Junior Lyceum, Mriehel.
- 1989-1996: French Teacher, M.A. Vassalli Boy's Junior Lyceum.
- 1977-1989: Information Officer, United Nations Regional Oil Combating Centre for the Mediterranean Sea.
- 1974-1976: Assistant Librarian, Merrill Lynch Investment Bank, London.
- 1970-1973: Teacher of French, Italian and Physical Education, St Venera Girls' Secondary School.
- 1968-1970: Primary School Teacher, Hamrun Primary School.

### Membership of national and international committees, including, among others:

- June 2014-: Member, Interministerial Committee on the Ratification of the Istanbul Convention.
- June 2013-: Member, Senate, University of Malta.
- May 2013-: Chairperson, Commission on Domestic Violence.
- May 2013-: Member, Board of Examinations, Ministry of Education and Employment.
- April 2013-: Member. National Council for the Elderly.
- November 2014-: Member, Current Pensioners Committee.
- 2011-June 2013: Chair, Malta Confederation of Women's Organisations.
- 2010-: Board member, European Women's Lobby.
- 2009-: Committee Member, Sexual Assault Response Team.
- 2004-2010: Expert on violence against women, European Women's Lobby.

- 2003: Founder Member of the Malta Confederation of Women's Organisations 2003
- 2001-2003: Coordinator, NMC (National Minimum Curriculum) Gender Equity Focus Group.
- 1997-2003: Member of Commission for the Advancement of Women, Chairperson (1997-1998).
- 1992-1996: Founder Member and General Secretary of the Association of Women of the Mediterranean Region 1992-1996

#### Publications and other academic works

- Consultancy on the Step by Step Guide on Gender Mainstreaming, Gender Impact Assessment and Checklist on Infrastructural Projects, 2012.
- 45 articles to raise awareness on domestic violence from different perspectives, 2011.
- Malta Confederation of Women's Organisations (MCWO) position papers on violence against women, women in the labour market, gender budgeting, pensions, curriculum framework, after school programmes, 2011 to date.
- CEDAW Shadow Report on Malta's National Report, 2010.
- Various press releases on behalf of the MCWO on areas of concern covered under research
- The Role of Childcare in Malta, Article in the Times of Malta, 7.8.2007.
- White Paper on Pensions the gender perspective, The Sunday Times Supplement, 1.05.2005.
- 'Women in the Political Sphere' Chapter 11 in 'Sociological Aspects of the Maltese Islands' ed. Cassar Cutajar, Indigo Books 2004.
- 'Manual for Gender-Friendly Organisations' Consultancy for ETC, 2004.
- 'Women and the Law' Independent on Sunday', 7.3.20004.
- National Report for the World Summit on Sustainable Development on the theme 'Women and Equitable Development' Chapter 4 edited by Briguglio Lino, 200289745.
- Edited Report on Gender Equality Legislation, 2000.
- Edited White Paper on Domestic Violence, 1998.
- Il-Mara Maltija wara s-Sena 2000: Trawwim ghall-Ugwaljanza p.17-28 ed. Callus Angela, Europrint, 1998.
- Edited and participated in Study on Servizzi ta' Childcare f'Malta, 1996.
- Edited and participated in Study on Azzjoni Pozittiva u Ugwaljanza bejn Nisa u Rgiel, 1996.

### Language skills

- Maltese
- English
- French
- Italian.

### **Other relevant information**

Renee Laveira was a member of the drafting committees of the Domestic Violence Bill and the Gender Equality Act. She has contributed to a considerable number of documents as part of Malta's EU accession process. Furthremore she has participated, including as speaker, in several national and international conferences; facilitated training sessions and collaborated with international experts on issues such as promoting gender equality and combating domestic violence. She has also regularly presented on and contributed to radio and television programmes.