

## Biographical Note

### **Dr Sara Oviedo Fierro**

#### **Vice-Chairperson of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child**

Dr Oviedo is from Ecuador. She holds a PhD in Sociology and Political Science and did post-graduate work in the evaluation and management of social projects; economic and social policy, logical frameworks; evaluation systems and youth policies.

Her career is marked by her strong commitment to human rights. She has taken part in a number of events and activities in defence of the rights of indigenous peoples and contributed to the formation of the national women's movement in Ecuador.

As Executive Secretary of the National Children's Council, she played a leading role in building the Decentralized National System for the Comprehensive Protection of Children.

She was Principal Representative of Ecuador to the Directing Council of the Inter-American Children's Institute from 2005 to 2013.

She chaired the Directing Council of the Inter-American Children's Institute from October 2006 to October 2008.

Dr Oviedo was elected member of the Committee on the Rights of the Child for the period 2013–2017 and is acting as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee for the period 2013–2015.