DIALLO, Mamadou (Senegal)

Current employment and position/title:

Secretary General of the Association Sénégalaise des Amis de la Nature [Senegalese Friends of Nature Association], Chair of the Regional Committee of IUCN Members in Central and West Africa (CREMACO), Deputy in the Assemblée Nationale du Sénégal [National Assembly of Senegal] and Mayor of the Commune of Kidira, President of the Commission Biodiversité et Aires Protégées de Réseau des Parlementaires en Environnement au Sénégal [Biodiversity and Protected Areas Commission of the Network of Environmental Parliamentary Members in Senegal] (REPES).

Experience in fields of concern to IUCN:

Mamadou Diallo is a lawyer, specializing in International Environmental Law, and has acquired a great deal of experience in the field of natural resources and environmental management as well as the promotion of ecotourism in Senegal.

He is a member and Secretary General of ASAN, an NGO in Senegal, which has been a member of IUCN since 1996 and is the oldest environmental protection association in Senegal. Mr Diallo was Chair of the Senegal National Committee of IUCN Members from 1996 to 2012 and member of the IUCN Commission on Education and Communication. From 1998 to 2006 Mr Diallo was Chair of the Regional Committee of IUCN Members in West Africa (CMAO).

Since June 2010 he has been Chair of the Regional Committee of IUCN Members in Central and West Africa (CREMACO). It was under his presidency that all these committees were recognized by the IUCN Council. Within these different positions and functions, he has endeavoured to continue to help promote IUCN as well as to accomplish its mission in this region.

In a similar vein, since January 2004, he has also been the Coordinator of the Maison des Amis de la Nature Alioune Mbor Diagne [Alioune Mbor Diagne House of Friends of Nature] Project of Senegal in Petit Mbao, Dakar, where he is developing the concept of ecotourism in relation with the International Friends of Nature Association.

Particular qualifications to be a Regional Councillor:

Mr Mamadou Diallo has very detailed knowledge of IUCN and its missions as well as those of its Regional Councillors. He is a very open man, always ready to listen to people and committed to environmental issues and IUCN. His leadership has been recognized by IUCN members both in Senegal and in the rest of West and Central Africa.

A skilled strategist, he has been successful in collaborating harmoniously with all the members of the IUCN Secretariat in West Africa, notably the Heads of Mission in the national offices, as well as with the various Regional Directors of BRAO and PACO, this being of great benefit to IUCN and its members.

As a local and national elected representative (Deputy Mayor), and official representative of IUCN Members in Central and West Africa, and bearing in mind his experience in the CMAO and the CREMACO, Mr Diallo has all the qualities required for the position of Regional Councillor.