

## Dr Souley Amadou, General Counsel and Director, African Development Bank Group

A transactional lawyer and highly recognized legal professional for his strategic leadership and management skills in multicultural settings, Dr AMADOU has a robust track record providing legal advice, support and services to the African Development Bank Group both in public and private sector transaction, as well as on corporate and institutional matters. He has demonstrated an innovation in people management and aptitude for addressing complex operational challenges and developing practical solutions for the Bank Group and its clients.

Dr AMADOU has actively participated in the conception and implementation of ground-breaking initiatives for the mobilization of third-party funding from sovereign and non-sovereign entities such as Africa50, AGIA or APTF. Other key achievements include effectively counselling governments in the development and preparation of legal and contractual regimes as well as in the structuring of complex PPPs.

Prior to joining the Bank Group, Dr AMADOU held a series of positions in the trading of derivatives and the regulation of futures markets in Washington DC and Paris, for the Commodity Future Trading Commission (CFTC in the USA) and MATIF SA (which became EURONEX in France) and for the then French future markets regulator (Conseil du Marché à Terme) before it became part of the AMF, the unified markets regulator. He also worked for major law firms, such as the former Coudert Brothers in Paris, in connection with securitizations, privatizations, mining, power and infrastructure project finance transactions.