

## AMBASSADOR PROF DR. HAMID AHAMED KANNEH, PHD GLOBAL VICE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ZAM ZAM TRAVEL LIMITED SIERRA LEONE

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Ambassador Prof Dr. Hamid Ahamed Kanneh is a community development and humanitarian professional with over 30 years of work experience with the national and international organizations such as the United Nations Office of the Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) UNICEF, WFP in Sierra Leone, Mali, Chad, Central African Republic, Cameroon, Guinea and Liberia and also with international organizations in the Middle East and Asia. As Chairman of the United Nations Peace Council in the Northern Sierra Leone during the civil crisis, Dr. Hamid head Humanitarian Delegation of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Islamic Development Bank Groups in Chad, Cameroon and Central African Republic Dr. Hamid also appointed as Presidential Envoy and Ambassador At Large covering Middle East and Asia since May 2018.

Ambassador Prof Dr. Hamid Ahamed Kanneh he is a Founder Chairman and Managing Director of African Light General Trading LLC Sierra Leone and Middle East, African Gateway Gold and Diamond Company, Chairman and Managing Director of African Light Freight Services LLC, Chairman and Managing Director Al Bawab Al Africia Gold and Diamond Company and also Chairman and Managing Director of Al Noor International Bookshop for Publishing and Distribution LLC in the Middle East based in Dubai.

Ambassador Prof Dr. Hamid provided strategic and managerial leadership to the International Islamic Youth League since its establish 1st January 1991. Dr. Hamid has served at senior management positions in Sierra Leone, Secretary General of the Supreme Islamic Council, Vice President of Inter Religious Council of Sierra Leone, Chairman of Humanitarian Cluster Committee in Sierra Leone, Secretary General of Sierra Leone Organization for Charitable Activities and Chief Executive Officer of Salam Bint Hamdan Bin Mohammed Al Nahyan Charitable and Humanitarian Foundation and in many cases has been responsible for business development and quality implementation of programs on behalf of the United Nations Agencies in Sierra Leone. His areas of expertise include the design and implementation of community based programs in youth empowerment capacity building, health care (including Reproductive Health, maternal and child health, Primary Healthcare etc.), education, Livelihoods/food security, WATSAN, Gender EQUALITY, Women's Empowerment, GBV Prevention and Disaster Preparedness and Response. In addition, he has extensive experience of strategic planning, organizational systems development, partnerships, grants management and monitoring and evaluation. Dr. Hamid has been successful in securing major donor funding by designing multi-disciplinary projects both for sustainable development and for emergency humanitarian response in Africa.