

Dear colleagues and friends,

I am honoured to announce that I am standing for re-election as Regional Councillor for Western Europe at the IUCN World Conservation Congress to be held in Abu Dhabi from 9 to 15 October 2025.

Faced with the accelerating collapse of biodiversity, the IUCN must be more ambitious than ever. During my first term, I worked to implement the recommendations of the 2021 Marseille Congress concerning wildlife trafficking, strengthening the participation of local communities and giving a voice to women and young people.

As Vice-Chair of the Governance and Membership Committee, I initiated a comprehensive reform of the membership fee system and promote greater inclusion of NGOs, regardless of their size, and to offer members more support for their projects.

Il am guided by the conviction that IUCN must become ever more inclusive, bold, and influential if it is to serve as a true agent of change in addressing biodiversity loss and the climate crisis. If entrusted with a second term, you can count on my determination, my 25 years of experience, and my unwavering commitment to ensure that – together – we achieve the objectives of the programme that will be defined collectively in Abu Dhabi. Together, let us continue to make IUCN a force for life.

I look forward to working with you in the coming years.

Sincerely yours,

MAUD LELIÈVRE

- Doctor (PhD) in Public Law, Lawyer
- Elected Regional Councillor for Western Europe since 2021
- Chair of the IUCN French Committee since 2020, re-elected in 2024
- Deputy Chair of the IUCN Governance Committee
- Deputy Chair of the IUCN Motions Working Group
- Deputy Secretary General of LPO (Birdlife France)
- Deputy Chair of the Jane Goodall Institute France
- Member of the World Commission on Law and the Environment (CEL) and the World Commission on Education and Communication (CEC)
- General Delegate of Les Eco Maires, a national and international association of mayors and local elected officials committed to the environment and development, present in France and sub-Saharan Africa.

MY PRIORITIES



Defence of indigenous peoples



women's empowerment



ocean conservation



Combating trafficking of wild species