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3rd Capacity-building Hub Adaptation and Resilience Day

**The ALGA Academy of the United Cities and Local Governments
of Africa (UCLG-Africa), 4C Morocco and ADEME**

HYBRID SESSION

**“Joining efforts and Cooperating to promote an enabling
environment for Capacity Building in Local Africa Climate Action”**

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CONCEPT NOTE

Background:

The United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa) is the umbrella Organization for African Local and Regional Governments (LRGs), founded in 2005 in the City of Tshwane, South Africa as a result of the unification of three continental groups of Local Governments. Based in the Kingdom of Morocco, in Rabat, UCLG-Africa represents a Network of 54 National and Regional Associations of LRGs covering the 5th Regions of Africa. Its vision is to build the Unity of Africa from its territories and grass roots. The mandate of UCLG-Africa is to promote Decentralization policy, Local Governance, and Local/Territorial Development through several action pillars, namely Advocacy, Capacity Building, Knowledge sharing, Technical Assistance, Fund raising, Networking, etc... UCLG-Africa is also playing a key and active role in the territorialization and localization of the Global Agendas 2030 for Sustainable Development, and of the Africa Agenda 2063. Based on this engagement, UCLG-Africa created several initiative linked to Climate Action, Capacity Building and Knowledge Management, in particular through its African Local Governments Academy (ALGA) as a strategic lever of UCLG-Africa for the investment in the Human Capital of the African LRGs, through learning, training, capacity building, Training of Trainers, and Peer learning, targeting local elected officials and the employees of the Local Public Administration ; the Knowledge Hub and Communities of Practices ; and the Climate Task Force.

The Paris Agreement, and the COP 21 more generally, constituted a milestone in terms of promoting local and sub-national authorities - to use the terms of the Treaty-, in international climate negotiations. This Agreement promotes more specifically the Action of Local and Regional Governments (LRGs) as a means to encourage States and all other actors and stakeholders in a territory to carry out more ambitious climate policies and climate action, thus recognizing their fundamental role as the main actor of transformation and change.

However, as well as being centers, spaces, and territories of opportunities, promises and innovations, where livelihood is guaranteed, and as it's recalled in the New Urban Agenda (Environmentally sustainable and resilient urban development), LRGs, in particular the cities, are facing unprecedented threats and challenges from unsustainable consumption and production patterns, climate change, loss of biodiversity, pressure of eco-systems, pollution, natural and human disasters, lack of capacities, competencies, skills and knowledge, etc..., undermining the efforts in the mitigation and adaptation efforts related to climate change, as well as their resilience.





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To deal with such threats and challenges, and in order to realize this shared global vision, all the above mentioned Global Agendas, but also the African Agenda 2063, are calling, first for the empowerment and capacity building of Human Capital and Institutions, and second for the investment in multi-actors and stakeholders partnerships.

The SDG 17 calls for a global cooperation and partnership to: “17.6 Enhance North-South, South-South and triangular regional and international cooperation on and access to science, technology and innovation and enhance knowledge sharing on mutually agreed terms, including through improved coordination among existing mechanisms, in particular at the United Nations level, and through a global technology facilitation mechanism“ in tackling global, regional and local challenges such as climate change.

Learning, Capacity development and building, Knowledge Sharing are issues that need multifaceted approaches, methodologies and tools to address the ability of LRGs and all stakeholders, through combining the individual, societal and institutional capacity to formulate, design, implement, enhance, manage, monitor and evaluate public policies for sustainable development and for climate action.

If they are areas where we have a crucial need for multi-actor and multi-level governance partnerships, it is at this level where we measure the importance of the dynamics of co-creation, by pooling means and resources, starting from knowledge, expertise, and methodologies.

Based on their Sound and Strategic Partnership, UCLG-Africa, through its ALGA Academy, the French Agency for the Ecological Transition ADEME and 4C-Morocco have decided to join efforts to organize a Hybrid event during the COP26, in the framework of the 3rd Paris-Committee-on-Capacity-Building Hub at COP26, in particular during the Adaptation & Resilience Day.

Objectives:

- Organizing a Peer Learning moment on the engagement of Female Mayors in Africa as cross-cutting issue;
- Showing cases and sharing experiences and approaches on how UCLG-Africa Academy is tackling adaptation & resilience issues through sound, strategic and diverse Partnerships;
- Rising awareness about the main challenges facing capacity building for Adaptation and Resilience, in particular at Regional and Local Level in Africa;
- Sharing our vision, methodology, and activities concerning UCLG-Africa Climate Action through the empowerment of Human Capital at African local/regional level;





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- Promoting a Community of practice on Capacity Building for Climate Action.

Format:

A Hybrid Side Event

Venue: 3rd Capacity-building Hub within COP26 (Blue zone)

Location: Glasgow, UK

Date: Friday November 5th, 2021, from 14:45pm to 15:45PM (Local Time in Glasgow and Rabat, UTC +1).

Length: 60 minutes

Language: English, French and Arabic.

Modalities of the Session:

The Session will be organized in a hybrid way gathering participants who will attend the COP26, and participants who will join virtually through the Social27 Platform -Link to be provided soon).

Social27 Link :

The Session will be also followed on YouTube.

It will be built on 4 segments:

- Opening Remarks from the Organizers;
- Speeches and presentations;
- Q&A moment

General Structure of the Hybrid Session:

Time	Activities
14:45pm	Welcoming and installation of the Speakers and Participants and setting the stage.
14:46pm To 14:52pm	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Her Excellency Ms Leila Benali, Minister of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development, President of 4C-Morocco, Morocco (or Her Representative). - Mr Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi, Secretary General of UCLG-Africa. - Mr Masset Philippe, Director of Europe and International, ADEME, France.
14:52pm To 15:15pm	Peer Learning moment: Engagement and Main challenges of Adaptation and Resilience facing Female Leaders of Local and Regional Governments in Africa (5 minutes for each Speaker): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hon. Ms Annie Chrystel Limbourg Lwenga, Deputy Mayor of the City of Libreville, Gabon. - Hon. Ms Bahia El Yousseoufi, Mayor of Benguerir, Morocco. - Hon. Ms Fatimetou Mint Abdel Malick, President of the Region of Nouakchott, Mauritania.Hon.





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	- Roheye Lowe Malick , Lord Mayor of the City of Banjul, Gambia (<i>by video message</i>).
15:15pm To 15:35pm	Partening, sharing Methodologies and Co-Creating to empower Human Capital at African Local and Regional Levels (4 minutes for each speaker) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Chafil Rajae, Director General of 4C Morocco, Morocco. - Mr Masset Philippe, Director of Europe and International, ADEME, France. - Ms Sara Hoeflich, Director of Learning, UCLG. - Dr Sanjaya Bhatia, Head of Office Incheon, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), Office for Northeast Asia (ONEA) & Global Education and Training Institute (GETI), Republic of Korea. - Dr Najat Zarrouk, Director of Development, Capacity Building; Knowledge Management and ALGA Academy of UCLG-Africa.
15:35pm To 15:44pm	Q&A
15:45pm	Wrap Up

Speakers		
Name	Role	Affiliation/Organization
Her Excellency Ms Leila Benali,	Minister of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development President of 4C Morocco	4C-Morocco, Morocco
Mr Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi	Secretary General	UCLG-Africa.
Mr Masset Philippe	Director	Europe and International, ADEME, France.
Hon. Ms Annie Chrystel Limbourg Lwenga,	Deputy Mayor	City of Libreville, Gabon.
Hon. Ms Bahia El Youssoufi,	Mayor	City of Benguerir, Morocco.
Hon. Roheye Malick,	Lord Mayor	City of Banjul, Gambia.
Hon. Ms Fatimetou Mint Abdel Malick,	President	Region of Nouakchott, Mauritania.
Ms Chafil Rajae,	Director General	4C Morocco, Morocco.
Ms Sara Hoeflich,	Director	Department of Learning, UCLG.
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Moderator		
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<i>Dr Najat Zarrouk,</i>	Director	Development, Capacity Building, Knowledge Management and ALGA Academy of UCLG-Africa.

Outcomes:

- Creation of an African Community of Practice for Climate Action through Empowerment and Capacity Building, in particular concerning Adaptation & Resilience ;
- Strengthening our Partnership's Network;
- Building a customized Empowering and Capacity Building offer, based on the priorities and needs expressed by participants and audience;
- The participants can share and disseminate what they will get and learn from the event, among their communities, members, networks and partners;
- The event will serve for ALGA Academy as a basis to digitalize a course with the support of its Partners, and through its e-Academy.

Relevant Links:

UCLG Africa Portal: www.uclga.org

ALGA of UCLG Africa Website: www.uclgafrica-alga.org

Relevant Links from ADEME (France):

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/urbanisme-et-batiment/4990-des-solutions-pour-rafraichir-les-villes-recueil-international-9791029718595.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4826-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-brochure-des-actions-9791029717512.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4823-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-version-arabe.html>





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<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4824-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-synthese-9791029717543.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4825-capitalisation-on-climate-change-adaptation-practices-in-the-mediterranean-area-9791029717567.html>

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https://wiki.resilience-territoire.ademe.fr/wiki/Pourquoi_r%C3%A9pondre_%C3%A0_un_Appel_%C3%A0_Communs_et_FAQ

Relevant Links from 4C Morocco (Morocco)

<http://www.4c.ma/>

Relevant Links from Learning Department of UCLG

- <https://learningwith.uclg.org/courses/enrolled/1544816>
- [Localizing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [Aprendiendo sobre Ciudades Resilientes UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO](#)
- [Apprendre sur les villes résilientes](#)
- [UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO](#)
- [Learning about Resilient Cities: Actions & Strategies](#)
- [UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO VER MÁS TARDE](#)
- [Aprendiendo sobre Resiliencia - Lineas de acción para las Asociaciones de Gob. Locales y Regionales](#)
- [UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)

