



Flash News North Africa at COP26 **NOVEMBER 12TH**

H.E. MR. NIZAR BARAKA, MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND WATER, HIGHLIGHTS MOROCCO'S ACHIEVEMENTS AT THE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS IN TERMS OF ADAPTATION



H.E Mr. Nizar Baraka at the COP26 side event Adaptation Metrics: challenges and perspectives on November 9th

Key messages:

- Even though Morocco is blessed with 3 500 kilometers of coastline, the Kingdom now faces water hazards and water scarcity with the steadily growing population.
- Since its independence in 1956, Morocco adapted itself to the water challenge with 149 dams and a total capacity exceeding 19 million cubic meters, along with an efficient policy of reducing, recycling, and reusing water consumption, notably in the agricultural sector.
- The **COP22 in Marrakech** allowed essential steps to be taken in regards to the water challenge:
 - The African Summit **adopted three regional climate commissions** centered on water issues. They deal with the management of water profusion for the commission of Congo Basin, water shortage for the Climate Commission of the Sahel region, and ocean water framing for the commission of Small Island States.
 - o Scientific Committee also incubated significant initiatives at the continental level, such as the Adaptation of African Agriculture to climate change (AAA).
 - o These efforts led to the International Platform on Adaptation Metrics (IPAM) in May 2020 by five international partners (including the Mohammed VI Polytechnic University). IPAM is here to offer an open discussion and working space.

MOROCCO RANKS 5TH **WORLDWIDE IN** CLIMATE PERFORMANCE

• The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) ranks Morocco in 5th position in terms of Climate performance, just after Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and the UK.



H.E. MRS. YASMINE FOUAD ADVOCATES AN INCREASE IN ADAPTATION FINANCE



H.E Mrs. Yasmine Fouad, Egyptian Minister of Environment, at the Adaptation Fund Dialogue between Contributor Governments and Fund Stakeholders event at COP26 on November 8th

Key messages:

- Adaptation finance needs to be increased: estimated adaptation costs in developing countries are 5 to 10 times greater than the current public adaptation finance flows.
- The Adaptation Fund is an important delivery channel for country-driven adaptation finance. It is one of the oldest institutional and financial mechanisms to support the UNFCCC.
- However, the available resources of the fund are not enough to support the needs of developing countries.
- Many of the projects implemented by the fund are scalable projects and ensure country ownership. For example, in Egypt, \$10 million was used for two projects. The second project was upscale for the results and the success of the first project. This stimulates progress at a national level and breeds resilience beyond the climate threat
- The fund is making a positive change but, it will need to increase its available resources because the demand will only grow.



POSITIVE AGENDA ADVISORY PARTICIPATES IN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE-DEBATE ON THE STAKES FOR THE FES-MEKNES REGION ORGANIZED BY THE WORLD BANK AND UEMF



Mr. Fathallah Sijilmassi participates in Climate Change Conference-Debate at the Fès Euromed University (UEMF) along with Mr Ferid Belhaj the MENA VP of World Bank, on November 10th

SUIVEZ L'ÉVÉNEMENT

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Key messages relayed during the conference by Fathallah Sijilmassi:

- We are facing a climate emergency. The recent IPCC report emphasizes this reality very strongly, but there is also the first Mediterranean Assessment Report (MAR1) prepared by the Independent Network of Mediterranean Experts on Climate and Environmental Change (MedECC) which reveals that the Mediterranean region is warming 20% faster than the rest of the world. • Climate action is by design a global and integrated one. Public Policies
- should promote a nexus approach combining and integrating 2-3 areas instead of dealing which each sector separately (example: water, energy, urban planning)
- Climate action also requires a top-down and bottom-up approach. It needs a strong and coherent vision but also needs to be translated into facts on the ground. The territorial and local dimension of climate action is essential.
- Priority in climate finance should be given to adaptation projects in Africa, and the private sector must be strongly involved.
- Climate action must rely on stronger South-South cooperation. Morocco is very much involved in such a strategy.

SEEN ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Abdelah Moksit at a side event on the impact of climate change on Morocco's agricultural sector by 2050 UK in Morocco 🤣

H.E Mrs. Janet Rogan and IPCC Executive Secretary Mr.

Yesterday at #COP26 , Ambassador @JanetRoganCOP26 and @IPCC_CH Executive Secretary Abdelah Moksit hosted a side event on the impact of climate change on Morocco's agricultural



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- Opportunities and Challenges in Africa side Event at COP26

H.E Mrs. Leila Benali opens Energy Transition





H.E Mr. Gareth Bayley, UK Ambassador to Egypt, applauds H.E Mrs. Yasmine Fouad's speech at COP26



Gareth Bayley, British Amb to Egypt 🎬 🚾 🤣

keynote speech today at the COP26 Ministerial Dialogue on Adaptation Action, continuing the work Egypt and the UK have put together while leading the Adaptation Action Coalition. 5:00 PM - Nov 8, 2021 - Twitter Web App