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Enhancing non-state actors mobilization
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Climate Chance World Summit in Agadir: the place to be in 2017 for all non-state actors engaged in climate action

The growing mobilization of non-state actors, particularly since COP22 in Marrakech, shows that the reinforcement and progress of concrete actions taking place in territories are indeed essential to meet the objectives of the fight against climate change.

It is against this background that the next edition of the Climate Chance World Summit, the annual gathering of climate actors, will take place from the 11th to the 13th September 2017 in Agadir, Morocco. In partnership with the Souss-Massa Region, this summit will be the biggest event for non-state actors (local authorities, companies, NGOS, etc.) before COP23.

The Climate Chance vision is based on the promotion of multi-stakeholder dialogue and concrete actions, with a special attention given to priority issues such as financing for action, the convergence of the climate and development agendas, the importance of a territorial approach, etc.

The Climate Chance Summit is organized around a variety of events: plenaries to discuss major issues and bring together key personalities from the international climate action sphere, high-level dialogues with climate champions, focus sessions to present significant initiatives, forums and workshops to highlight the mobilization and acceleration of climate action, etc.

The Summit will provide a comprehensive overview of the state of engagement of non-state actors. It will also be an opportunity for the elected representatives of cities and regions to take a strong stand, echoing the commitments made by the networks of local and regional authorities during the «Climate and Territories» summit in Lyon in July 2015.

This new Climate Chance edition is a unique opportunity to demonstrate collectively that it is through the reinforcement and streamlining of concrete actions that we will succeed in meeting the objectives of the fight against climate change.

The Summit is already a major event for non-state actors committed to climate change, with thousands of participants expected from some 50 countries and more than 300 speakers selected from among hundreds proposals received during the call for contribution. It will emphasize the autonomy of the mobilization of non-state actors engaged in the fight against climate change, less subject nowadays to the contingencies of government choices.

Salaheddine Mezouar, *President of the COP22*
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Brahim Hafidi, *President of Region Souss-Massa*

Climate Chance World Summit 2017: Registration open & preliminary agenda available on the website of the event

In partnership with the Souss-Massa region, the next Climate Chance World Summit will take place in Agadir, Morocco, from 11 to 13 September 2017.

With the progress of climate action as its common theme, this summit will be a unique opportunity for the community of non-State actors to get together to assess the advances made and the present dynamics...

The Climate Chance Summit will focus in particular on the issues facing the African continent and countries in the South more generally and will tackle, amongst other things, the matters of migration and development, financing adaptation, challenges for African cities, etc.

Showcasing initiatives ongoing across the world, the Summit is already heading for success with a record number of contributions received for the workshops, bearing witness to the real will all of you have to enhance exchanges of experience and pooling of good practice in the run-up to the facilitation dialogue in 2018.

We wanted to express our warmest gratitude for your involvement. The objectives set in the Paris Agreement will never be achieved without non-State actors. The Climate Chance Summit is your Summit!

Registration and preliminary agenda: <http://climatechance-2017.com/en/>

ECOCITY 2017, Melbourne

Climate Chance and some of the coalitions we support will be attending Ecocity 2017 between 12 and 14 July, in Melbourne, Australia.

Climate Chance is co-organizing some of the sessions at that summit in order to open up to new networks of actors in the Asia-Pacific region. Ronan Dantec will chair the plenary session dedicated to the role of non-State actors in accelerating climate action under the Climate Action Agenda, with many participants from various major groups.

Climate Chance Association will prepare also several sessions concerning the strategy of the «Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy» in the region, the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction, sustainable urban transport and the Zenata Eco-City in Morocco.

More information: www.ecocity2017.com

D-4 before the DésertifActions Summit (Da17) in Strasbourg

There will be an unprecedented meeting on 27 and 28 June in Strasbourg for communities of actors engaged in the struggle against climate change (SDG13) and those seeking to combat land degradation (SDG15).

In matching the desire of communities of actors to get together with the increasingly strong intention in climate negotiations to ensure greater consistency in both the means deployed to combat climate change and action taken in pursuit of the other sustainable development goals (SDGs), DésertifActions aims to promote every possible synergy of action around related topics and lay the foundations for an ongoing dialogue with a view to achieving the SDGs.

If you want to take part in this event, registration is free but compulsory!
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The Nantes Declaration and the roadmaps of the thematic coalitions. Nine months after Nantes, what's the state of play?

The first Climate Chance Summit, the global forum for non-State actors engaged in the fight against climate change, was held in Nantes in September 2016. That Summit was attended by more than 4000 people of more than 50 nationalities. On that occasion, 17 roadmaps were adopted and non-State actors reaffirmed in the Nantes Declaration that effective action against climate disruption is impossible unless all those capable of taking action can be drawn in. As Da 17 will be opening in Strasbourg in a few days and Climate Chance in Agadir in a few months, we take a look below at some of the activities undertaken.

At COP 22 (Marrakech - November 2016):

- The recommendation from the Territorial Planning coalition on financing for planning was taken on board in the report on the thematic day «Cities and Human Settlements» of the Action Agenda.
- The Climate Chance coalition on Climate Finance was entered on the Marrakesh Roadmap (the final document produced by the Summit of Local and Regional Councillors on Climate).

From Paris to Jeju.

The thematic coalitions in Nantes having stressed the importance of multi-stakeholder dialogue to boost their action capabilities, the Climate Chance Association and Heinrich Böll Stiftung organized a Franco-German symposium to compare practices in the field of public policy and local involvement in the energy transition and circular economy with a view to bringing out points of convergence and recommendations.

The UCLG Culture Summit in Jeju, South Korea, helped to enrich the ongoing dialogue concerning the interrelationships between Climate and Culture since the first Climate Chance Summit in Nantes. On 10 May, the session on «Cities, culture and climate change», with testimony from the Mayors of Male (Maldives), Catbalogan City (Philippines) and Trenggalek (Indonesia), formed the basis for exchanges with other institutions and actors from South Korea (Jeju province), Austria (Salzburg Seminar), Australia (Performing Lines), USA (ICOMOS) and Great Britain (Julie's Bicycle). The workshop on the dynamics of a coalition of actors brought out several possible avenues for action which will be presented to other entities in Agadir and then Grenoble next September.

Focus on ...

The Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action

Having attended meetings in Rabat and then Bonn, as well as in London through the thematic coalitions, the Climate Chance Association is very pleased to see that this partnership, with its aim to widen global climate action, has now got off the ground.

The Climate Chance team and the coalitions it brings together are closely monitoring the progress of the Marrakech Partnership and are delighted that the 2nd meeting of the coalitions and initiatives of this partnership will be organized in Agadir the day before the 2017 Climate Chance Summit.

The life of the Association

Set up just after COP21 in the belief that multi-stakeholder dialogue and enhanced action by non-State actors, especially in a territorial approach, have a pivotal role to play in supporting States, the Climate Chance association aims to have an input into international discussions on the various development and climate agendas and especially the establishment of the Paris Agreement.

So as to perform its tasks efficiently, the operational office of Climate Chance, which got going formally with the arrival in July 2016 of Sabrina Marquant to take charge of communications and the Association's advocacy strategy, has recently expanded. February 2017 saw the arrival of Marjolaine Edouard, Director of the Climate Chance Association, followed in June 2017 by Marie Imbs, responsible for developing the Climate Chance Observatory. A warm welcome to them both. Romain Crouzet of the Transitions consultancy has once again this year helped us with the event programme component and monitoring the coalitions.

