Celebration of World Cities Day

Organization by UCLG-Africa of a Virtual Campus for Urban Thinkers on:

"Promoting the commitment of Local Governments and Citizens for the City we need in Africa, at the time of Covid-19 and beyond"

Wednesday, October 28, 2020
From 9:00am to 6:00pm (Local time in Morocco, GMT+1)

TECHNICAL SHEET ON THE DAY OF ACTION

"Together for an Effective Local Africa"
As part of the organization of the Virtual Campus of Urban Thinkers scheduled for October 27 to October 29, 2020, UCLG-Africa with the support of the City of Rabat, African Capital of Culture, as well as all of its Partners, will organize a Day of Action dedicated to Culture and Heritage, with a focus on Culture and Heritage in Africa.

Culture and Heritage are not only the pillars of Sustainable Development but above all of Resilience in these times of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Culture and Heritage are part of Agenda 2063 for the Africa We Want; an Africa with a strong cultural identity, a common heritage, and shared values and ethics (Aspiration 5).

Culture and Heritage are the foundation and keystone of all the 10 Principles of the City that we need.

The Culture Sector, like the Tourism Sector, is one of the Sectors most affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, due to the measures imposed by the state of health emergency, the lockdown measures, the closing of socio-cultural infrastructures, and other consequences.

Finally, starting from the Rome Charter on Culture, our Day of Action will be an opportunity to discover, share, enjoy and appreciate the cultural diversity that characterizes the African Continent:

The day will be marked by 5 highlights around:

- Actors: Representatives of the State, Local and Subnational Governments, Civil Society and the Private Sector;
- Infrastructures and Services: Historical monuments, Hotels, restaurants, cafes, local markets, theaters, bookstores, public places, and other locations.
- The sector of Crafts and Craftsmen as one of the sectors most affected by the crisis of the Covid-19 pandemic;
- Cultural expressions: songs, drawings, folklore, dance,.. 
- Best practices that emerged during the Covid-19 pandemic crisis, particularly of the most vulnerable groups, such as women, girls, people
With disabilities, migrants, refugees, working people in the informal sector, and other categories. etc…

**General goal**

Discovering, Sharing, Highlighting and Promoting African Culture and Heritage in these times of the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Date and venue:**

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

On the Zoom Platform (Link to be announced).

**How to contribute?**

Contributions can be made by submission:

- either of a testimony (5 to 10 minutes);
- or a Power Point (5 to 10 minutes)
- or a video recorded on social networks (YouTube, Facebook, Instagram...), from 5 to 10 minutes;
- or images, photos, tables, podcasts, or other media...

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