Morocco Pavilion at COP22 Opens with a Side Event on Climate Change and Water

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The event, which brought together several river basin development agencies, is part of the Moroccan pavillon's first day activities, held under the theme: water, forests and risk management.

On this occasion, Representatives from the river basin agencies of Tensift, Sebou, Loukkos, Bouregreg and Chaouia as well as participants from the German Development Agency (GIZ) rang the alarm bell regarding the disastrous effects of climate change on water resources.

They warned against the depletion of the non-renewable underground water resources as a result of climate change coupled with rising demand on water.

The event was also an opportunity for the participants to share experiences on how to ensure a sustainable water management in light of the increasing demand on water by the sectors of industry and agriculture, adding that several plantations will be abandoned as a result of water stress. In this regards, they highlighted the pertinence of Morocco´s water strategy and called for more dams as well as the use of desalination for water supply. This event was co-organised by Morocco´s ministerial department in charge of water and the River Basin agency of Tensift in cooperation with the German development cooperation (GIZ). The first day at the Moroccan pavilion includes other side events on themes such as sewage and adaptation to climate change, risk management and forests and local authorities in the face of climate change.

The side events will be held in the Moroccan pavilion's conference room which can accommodate up to 180 people with the possibility of following the speakers in different languages thanks to the provision of interpreting services.

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