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1. Background

The Pan-African Association of United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa), with the support of the Kingdom of Morocco and the World Organization (UCLG) is organizing the eighth Africités Summit (Africités 8) from 20 to 24 November 2018 in Marrakech (Morocco). The theme for this Summit is "TRANSITION TO SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND TERRITORIES, THE ROLE OF TERRITORIAL AFRICAN COMMUNITIES".

Africités Summits are organized every two years in an African city. It is an important platform for dialogue, sharing on the theme of decentralization, territorial governance and sustainable development of African cities, regions and territories.

Africités 2018 will be held in Marrakech, and its main objective is to create solid links for concrete actions between African territories, to seize opportunities for collaboration with other territories in view of the current globalization and in perfect coherence with the 2030 Agenda. This summit pursues two major objectives:

- Define appropriate and shared strategies to improve the living conditions of local populations;
- Seek integration, peace and unity of Africa from the grassroots

Local governments are increasingly recognized as key players in the sustainability and resilience of local food systems, especially urban ones. This commitment of the local communities resulted in the launch in 2015 of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, during the Milan Expo, today signed by 173 cities worldwide. This role of local authorities was clearly recognized by the New Urban Agenda adopted in October 2016 in Quito at the UN-Habitat III Conference, which addresses food and nutrition security as one of the current and future challenges for cities, and highlights integrated territorial approaches and strengthening rural-urban links to address it.

In October 2017, in Valencia, FAO launched a platform on "urban food actions" which aims to become a place of systematization and dissemination of all information on urban food policies, enabling local authorities and their partners to find information and sources of inspiration for their future actions. This platform was developed in partnership with the major international...
networks of local governments working on food issues (UCLG, C40, CELI, ORU-Fogar and the Milan Pact).

FAO recognizes the importance of partnerships to reach as many local communities as possible and stimulate the implementation of local innovations. It has developed a city-city partnership initiative within the framework of south-south and triangular cooperation, whose objective is the action learning and triggering by linking cities to each other (city to city initiative -CTCi).

The African continent is a priority for this initiative given the challenges it faces in the coming decades (rapid urbanization, population growth, employment, migration, etc.). This initiative was developed in collaboration with the major international networks of local authorities. It includes three components:

1. Awareness-raising and advocacy for the inclusion of food security and nutrition issues in urban development dynamics;
2. Sharing knowledge about urban food systems and their components. The "urban food actions" platform launched in Valencia is part of this side event;
3. Implementation of projects, programs or policies using city-city cooperation.

FAO is therefore fully committed to work with local communities to support the transformation of local food systems and make them sustainable and resilient, as recalled by the FAO Director General in Valencia at the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact Mayors Summit.

The City of Dakar concretizes the choice and the willingness of "Africities" and has organized an event in 2012. This is to strengthen the role of local authorities in the development of the continent and seek to build Africa throughout these local communities. The forum of the Mayors from West and Central Africa, signatories of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, which took place in Brazaville from 12 to 14 June 2018 reinforces the commitment and awareness of local authorities on these important issues.

FAO and the city of Dakar (Senegal) have been collaborating since 2006 to support programs and projects related to the above themes by linking them to Sustainable Development Goals 02 and 11 (SDGs) to improve resilience and the livelihoods of the populations, especially with:

- the sub-regional Micro Gardens program in the City of DAKAR with an expansion towards the cities of Ouagadougou, Banjul, Niamey;
- the South-South cooperation project "City to City" with the Cities of Dakar, Douala and Praia.

Today, the city of Dakar shares its experience on micro gardening in Senegal and in the subregion; it was the flag bearer of African cities at the Valences Summit and received a distinction from the "Milan Pact Award 2017".

The training of vulnerable populations in micro-garden techniques has helped to reduce food insecurity and poverty through income generation.

In order to perpetuate and consolidate these achievements, the two organizations have decided to collaborate with Africities 2018 by co-organizing a side event on November 1st, 2018 in Marrakech.
2. **Overall Objective**

   In the context previously described, it was proposed to organize an event at Africities 2018 with the aim of sensitizing local and regional government leaders and decision-makers on the importance of direct involvement, contribution and accountability of local and regional authorities for the socio-economic and environmental development of Africa, specifically on the theme of food and city to city cooperation (CtCi).

3. **Specific objectives**

   - Provide a moment for exchanging and sharing experience and bringing link between participants and partners to establish and consolidate collaboration between different actors;
   - Propose cases of good practices on sustainable territorial food systems, giving the example of some African cities, including city to city cooperation (CtCi);
   - Promote the role of local authorities in sustainable food systems to respond to the challenge of rural and urban food security.
   - Focus the reflection on strategies to implement in order to promote the integration of African localities into international decision-making bodies and their involvement in international alliances and pacts, for example the Milan Pact.

4. **Expected outcomes**

   - Leaders, local authorities, elected representatives and development actors are sensitized on the progress of territorial food systems in Africa;
   - Cases of good practices between African cities, peripheries, capitals and rural areas concerning the solidarity economy are demonstrated;
   - African leaders are convinced of the need for alternative food systems
   - The various actors of UCLG Africa are challenged on food mechanisms and policies in Africa

5. **Methodology**

   The workshop will be conducted in a coherent and participatory manner through presentation of good practice cases in correlation with territorial and sustainable food policies and systems.

In addition, the City of Dakar with technical support from FAO will valorize the political position of municipalities on the food thematic.

6. **Agenda**

   Moderator and Rapporteur: Mr Cheikh Gueye, Assistant FAO Representative (Programme) in Senegal

   Panelists:
   - Ms. Soham Wardini, Mayor of the City of Dakar
   - Mr. Óscar Santos, Mayor of the City of Praia
   - Mr. Christian Roger Okemba, Mayor of Brazzaville
   - Mr. Mike Sonko, Governor of Nairobi City
   - Mr. Hastings Chikoko, C40 Regional Director for Africa
- Ms. Valérie Nicolas, Advisor for Decentralised Cooperation and International Relations, France Region
- Mr. Henri Rouillé D’Orfeuil, Member of the Académie d'agriculture de France
- Ms. Laura Petrella, Leader, City Planning, Extension and Design Unit, UN-HABITAT

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