



Laayoune, 24th november 2023

The Président of the laayoune Sakia El Hamra Régional council  
To  
Open Government Partnership Selection Committee



Dear Madams and Sirs,

I am deeply honoured to express, on behalf of the Région laayoune Sakia El Hamra council our intention to join the Open Government Partnership (OGP) Local Program and to reiterate Morocco's commitment within the OGP initiative to consolidate its achievements in terms of transparency and participatory democracy.

The Région laayoune Sakia El Hamra Council, as a leading region in southern Morocco, holds several prerogatives implemented through its many programs, especially the Regional Development Programme (RDP). To implement such strategic programmes, the RC is engaged in several initiatives aiming to strengthen the communication with its consultative bodies and the citizens and developing tools and systems that enhance transparency of decision making.

The RC is keen to join the OGP initiative to reinforce best practices within the region and contribute to the promotion of the principles of good governance, transparency and accountability. Thus, the RC's interest in joining OGP stems particularly from the potential such membership offers in the following areas.

- Promoting the values of transparency and empowerment of citizens;
- Contributing to building strong examples of successful regional institutions;
- Consolidating good governance and transparency in the region harnessing the positive power of technology;
- Building the capacities of elected members, staff and civil society organisations (CSOs) involved in the regional development process;
- Learning from other OGP members and exchanging experiences;
- Strengthening the position of the region in multilateral and bilateral cooperation with international donors and international organisations.

For our candidacy, we have set several goals, especially improving citizen participation through communication and public consultation, and promoting budget transparency and the OGP values and principals, in addition to developing social inclusion strategies. Our goal is to work with citizens and civil society organizations to implement these engagements.

Our aim, by joining this esteemed community, is also to actively exchange best practices and lessons learned from each other's successful experiences with the rest of the cohort.

## TRANSPARENCY, CO-CREATION AND PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY

the RC also promotes citizen participation through petitions. The council, with the help of its partners, has made available to the public an material illustrating the process in a schematic and accessible way. The RC's goal is to improve citizens participation and develop a coherent approach to citizen engagement.

## CAPACITY AND RESOURCES FOR CO-CREATION

The RC has developed a co-created action plan that is in line with OGP principles and the Moroccan national OGP action plan overseen by the Ministry of Economy, Finance and Reform of Public Administration.

## OGP VALUES, STRATEGIC ORIENTATIONS AND VALUE PROPOSITION

The RC developed guides and specific documents for CSOs on petitions and policy proposals including detailed procedures that can fit the needs of similar institutions. And also, by sharing its experience as an open government with other regional and local jurisdictions in specific networks, such as:

- The Association of Regions in Morocco (ARM).
- The International Association of French Speaking Regions (AIRF) .
- The Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions Network (CPRM) .
- The United Regions Organisation Forum of Regional Governments and Global Associations of Regions .

## POLICY AREAS AND FUTURE AMBITION

The RC commits itself to work on the following policy areas:

- **Gender and Social inclusion:** The RC is committed to move towards an inclusive and open region keen on rehabilitating marginalized communities by the effective implementation of its Regional Gender and Social Inclusion Strategy (RGSi).
- **Citizen participation:** for an increased and better civic participation, the RC wants to reinforce participatory democracy and public consultation mechanisms.

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude in considering us to be part of the Open Government Partnership Local Program. We hope to join the global initiative of OGP in order peer review our efforts with other governments in the world and share our expertise with them. I assure you of the Région Laayoune Sakia El Hamra RC interest and commitment in this process and I look forward to receiving a positive response.

**Sidi Hamdi Ould Errachid**  
Président of the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council

  
**PRESIDENT**  
**SIDI HAMDI OULD ERRACHID**



جهة العيون الساقية الحمراء

**Kingdom of Morocco**  
**Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional council**

**List of letters of support for non-governmental stakeholders**

Number	1. Name of the non-governmental stakeholder organization	2. Name of the non-governmental stakeholder organization point of contact	3. Title of the non-governmental stakeholder organization point of contact	4. Email of the non-governmental stakeholder organization point of contact	5. . Website of the non-governmental stakeholder organization	6. Point of contact Gender Identity
1	The consultative body for union de sakia el louedi (usa)	MR.AINA MOHAMD	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:wald3ayna@hotmail.com">wald3ayna@hotmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:union.usal.1@gmail.com">union.usal.1@gmail.com</a>	00212661154156	MALE
2	The consultative body for equality, equal opportunities and gender approach at the laayoune sakia el hamra regional council at the laayoune sakia el hamra region	LALLA FATMA HABADI	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Habadi-genre@gmail.com">Habadi-genre@gmail.com</a>	0661-465722	FEMALE
3	Moroccan scout organization delegaye laayoune	SIDI LAHRITANI BOUSSOULA	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:osmlaayoune1976@gmail.com">osmlaayoune1976@gmail.com</a>	00212662798539	MALE
4	The development partnership association	MOHAMED BOUSSOULA	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Charaka.laayoune@gmail.com">Charaka.laayoune@gmail.com</a>	00212700198932	MALE
5	The kouloud association for development and communication and os	MRS SOQUEINA DAIDA	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Khouloudassociation@gmail.com">Khouloudassociation@gmail.com</a>	00212671211868	FEMALE

6	<b>The al nour association for the radiation of women and children</b>	MRS EL ADLI FATMA	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Abicha.khadija71@gmail.com">Abicha.khadija71@gmail.com</a>	00212661284393	FEMALE
7	<b>Federal dadiyat and residential neighborhood association laayoune</b>	IBRAHIM TARROUZI	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Ibrahim.tarouzi@gmail.com">Ibrahim.tarouzi@gmail.com</a>	00212661928850	MALE
8	<b>Consultative body for economic development at the laayoune sakia el hamra regional council</b>	BALLAHI ABBAD	PRESIDENT	" <a href="mailto:abbadballahi01@gmail.com">abbadballahi01@gmail.com</a> " < <a href="mailto:abbadballahi01@gmail.com">abbadballahi01@gmail.com</a> >	00212661161124	MALE
9	<b>Al-Wahda Association for Women and children s Care is in a difficult situation</b>	EL AISSAOUI MERIEM	PRESIDENT	<a href="mailto:Elaiissaoui.association@gmail.com">Elaiissaoui.association@gmail.com</a>	00212661322976	FEMALE
10	<b>Creativity association for educational cultural and social development laayoune supreme</b>	OUARDA ERRARHNI	PRESIDENTE	<a href="mailto:ouardaerrarhni@gmail.com">ouardaerrarhni@gmail.com</a>	00212616768981	FEMALE

**N.B. As part of the consortium application of 6 regions from Morocco, these 3 stakeholders provided additional letters of support:**

\* **The General Directorate of Territorial Collectivities under the Ministry of Interior of Morocco**

\* **The Association of Regions of Morocco**

\* **The Association Impact for Development**

**These letters are uploaded in the "Supporting Documents" section.**



جمعية الوحدة لرعاية المرأة والأطفال في وضعية صعبة

Al-Wahda Association for Women and Children's Care is in a difficult situation

**President of Al-Wahda Association for Women and Children's Care is in a difficult situation**

To

**Mr. Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

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جمعية الوحدة لرعاية المرأة  
والأطفال في وضعية صعبة  
الرئيسة : مريم العيساوي  
EL : 06 61 32 29 76

**Non-governmental Letter of Support: Call for new members to OGP Local 2024**

Dear Sir,

The **Al-Wahda Association for Women and Children's Care is in a difficult situation** in Laayoune; is pleased to support the application to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the Open Government Declaration and its principles within it.

We acknowledge that, as a member of OGP Local, we are embarking on a journey of collaboration, learning and action, and committing to work together as partners with the government in order to deliver an open government action plan in 2024 and implement its commitments. Furthermore, we enhance the values of open government in our OGP local process and ensure it is transparent, participatory and accountable.

We recognize that by joining OGP Local, we become a member of a global community of government and civil society who strive to innovate, catalyze progress and promote learning within and across jurisdictions. This global community is strengthened by the actions of its members, hence, we pledge to be an active member of this global community and support other members with peer exchanges and engaging at the local, national and international level to promote the values of open government.

If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2024 call, the consultative body for **Al-Wahda Association for Women and Children's Care is in a difficult situation** led by Mrs. **EL AISSAOUI MERIEM** will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit.


Greetings.

**EL AISSAOUI MERIEM**

**President of Al-Wahda Association for Women and Children's Care is in a difficult situation**

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MR. AINA MOHAMED  
Secretary General the  
UNION DE SAKIA EL LOUEDI ( USAL )

To  
**Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

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Dear Sir,

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If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2024 call, the consultative body for economic development and solidarity at the Oriental Regional Council led by Mr. Anas ZIZI will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit. In addition, we commit to make available the necessary human, financial and technical resources to participate in the co-creation, implementation and learning from ambitious commitments within the action plan.

Greetings.

Signature

محمد عينة  
الأمين العام  
اتحاد الساقية و الوادي  
USAL



Laayoune, 15<sup>th</sup> november 2023

The Président of the consultative body  
for Equality, Equal opportunities and gender approach  
at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council

To

**Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

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Dear Sir,

The consultative body for Equality, Equal opportunities and Gender approach at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council is pleased to support the application to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the [Open Government Declaration](#) and its principles within it.

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If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2024 call, the consultative body for **Equality, Equal opportunities and Gender approach** at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra regional Council led by Mrs. **Lalla fatma Habadi** will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit.

Greetings.

**Lalla fatma Habadi**

Président of the consultative body  
for Equality, Equal opportunities and Gender approach  
at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council



laayoune, 15<sup>th</sup> november 2023

The MR : **MOHAMED BOUSSOULA** Président of the **Development partneship association**

To

**Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

**Non-governmental Letter of Support : Call for new members to OGP Local 2024**

Dear Sir,

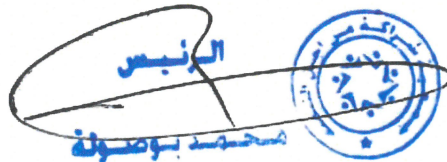
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MOHAMED BOUSSOULA  
Président of the **Development partneship association**

  
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جمعية خلود للتنمية والتواصل والأعمال الاجتماعية

Mrs. SOQUEINA DAIDA  
President the  
KOULLOUD ASSOCIATION FOR DEVELOPMENT  
AND COMMUNICATION AND OS  
To  
Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit

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Dear Sir,

The KOULLOUD ASSOCIATION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNICATION AND OS, at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional the association is pleased to support the application to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the Open Government Declaration and its principles within it.

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Greetings.

Signature :

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والتواصل والأعمال الاجتماعية  
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TEL 06 71 21 18 68



Laayoune, 16 nov. 23

The Présidente of the AL Nour Association  
For the Radiation of Women and children

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Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit



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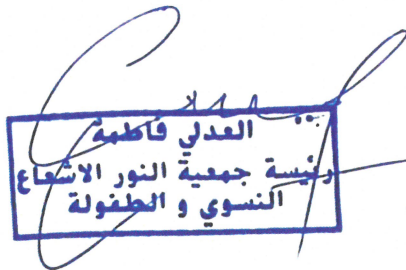
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Greetings.

  
العدل فاطمة  
رئيسة جمعية النور الاشعاع  
النسوي و الطفولة





laayoune, 15<sup>th</sup> november 2023

The MR : **IBRAHIM TAROUZI** Président Federal, Dadiyat and Residential  
Neighborhood Associations LAAYOUNE

To

**Mr. Rudi Borrman**, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit



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Dear Sir,

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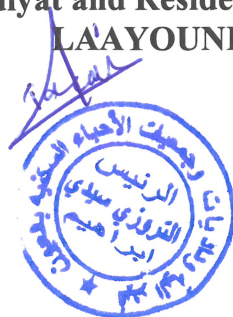
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If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2024 call, the **MOEOCCAN SCOUT ORGANIZATION DELEGATE LAAYOUNE** led by Mr.SIDI LAHRITANI BOUSSOULA will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit.

**IBRAHIM TAROUZI**

Président of the **Federal, Dadiyat and Residential Neighborhood Associations**  
**LAAYOUNE**





Laayoune, 15<sup>th</sup> november 2023

The Président of the consultative body  
for Economic Development  
at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council  
To  
**Mr. Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

**Non-governmental Letter of Support : Call for new members to OGP Local 2024**

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If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2024 call, the consultative body for economic development at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra regional Council led by Mr. **Ballahi Abbad** will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit.

Greetings.

**Ballahi Abbad**

Président of the consultative body  
for Economic Development  
at the Laayoune Sakia El Hamra Regional Council





Laayoune, 16<sup>th</sup> november 2023

President of the Creativity Association  
for Educational, Cultural and Social  
Development, Laayoune Supreme  
To

Mr. Rudi Borrman, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit

جمعية الإبداعات للتأطير التربوي والثقافي  
والتمية الإجتماعية فرع العيون  
كاتبة الفرع  
وردة الرغني

**Non-governmental Letter of Support** : Call for new members to OGP Local 2024

Dear Sir,

The Creativity Association; Educational, Cultural and Social Development, Laayoune Supreme; is pleased to support the application to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the **Open Government Declaration** and its principles within it.

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Greetings.

**Ouarda Errarhni**  
President of Creativity Association  
Educational Cultural and Social Development  
Laayoune Supreme

جمعية الإبداعات للتأطير التربوي والثقافي  
والتمية الإجتماعية فرع العيون  
كاتبة الفرع  
وردة الرغني



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**M. Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director OGP Local  
OGP Support Unit**

**Object:** Letter of Support for the consortium application of six Regions of Morocco to the Local OGP for 2023.

Following the call for expression of interest for OGP Local, the General Directorate of Territorial Communities (DGCT) of the Ministry of Interior is pleased to support the consortium application of six Moroccan Regions, namely: Drâa-Tafilalet Region, Oriental Region, Fès-Meknes Region, Sous-Massa Region, the Guelmim-Oued Noun Region and Laâyoune-Sakia El Hamra Region.

These Regions are actively committed to the implementation and promotion of the principles of open government at the regional and the national level with their national and international partners.

In particular, these Regions are members of the Moroccan Network of Open Territorial Communities REMACTO created in October 2022 as part of the Support Program for Local Government PACTO.

This program which won an award during the 8<sup>th</sup> OGP Summit, held in Estonia in September 2023, is led by the General Directorate of Territorial Communities in partnership with the Association of Regions of Morocco and Impact For Development association. This is a strategic initiative to support the institutionalization and generalization of the principles of open government at the level of Moroccan Territorial Communities <https://ctouvertes.collectivites-territoriales.gov.ma/index.php?lang=fr>

Wishing that these Regions become part of the OGP international community, the DGCT is committed to provide support to them and to other local governments in order to promote transparency, access to information, citizen participation and public responsibility.

I remain at your disposal for any additional information.

Pour le Ministre de l'Intérieur  
et par délégation

Le Gouverneur, Abdelouahhab EL JABRI



N°236/ARM

Rabat, December 25, 2023

To the Kind Attention of  
**Mr. Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director, OGP Local**  
**OGP Support Unit**

**Subject:** Support for Moroccan Regions' Candidacy for 2023 OGP Local

Dear Director,

Following the call for expressions of interest launched among local governments to join OGP Local, the Association of Regions of Morocco (ARM), representing the 12 regions of the Kingdom of Morocco, is pleased to endorse the joint candidacy of six regions for this initiative. These regions are:

- Drâa-Tafilalet
- Oriental
- Fès-Meknès
- Souss-Massa
- Guelmim-Oued Noun
- Laâyoune-Sakia El Hamra

Committed to advancing open government principles regionally, nationally, and internationally, these regions actively engage with national and international partners in this endeavor.

It is noteworthy that these regions are already members of The Moroccan Network of Open Local Governments (REMACTO), established in October 2022 as part of the National program for open territorial communities (PACTO).

This program, which was awarded at the 8th OGP Summit held in Estonia in September 2023, is led by the Directorate General of Territorial Communities in partnership with the Association of Regions of Morocco and the Association Impact for Development. It represents a strategic initiative in supporting the institutionalization and generalization of open government principles at the level of Moroccan local governments (Territorial Communities).

Hoping that the concerned regions will become part of the international OGP community, the Association of Regions of Morocco commits to supporting them in upholding the principles of transparency, access to information, citizen participation, and public accountability.

**Mbarka BOUAIDA**  
President of the Association of regions of Morocco





**To: Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director, OGP Local  
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Impact For Development is pleased to support the consortium application of of six Moroccan Regions, namely: the Drâa-Tafilalet Region, the Oriental Region, the Fès-Meknes Region, the Sous-Massa Region, the Guelmim-Oued Noun Region and the Laâyoune-Sakia El Hamra Region. This is part of our long lasting engagement and endorsement to the Open Government Declaration and its principles.

Our civil society organization has partnered with the DGCT (General Directorate of Local Governments, under the Ministry of Interior) and the Association of the Regions of Morocco to support the REMACTO network that covers 66 local governments and more than 270 Local Open Government projects/commitments. As members of REMACTO (Moroccan Network of Local Open Governments), these Regions are actively committed to the implementation and promotion of the principles of open government. We have worked closed with these regional actors during 2023 throught the cocreation process of their Regional Open Government Program and we can witness of the maturity of both the local governments and the local civil society actors.

Our civil society organization has also supported the application process to join OGP Local for the regions of Beni Mellal-Khenifra in 2021 and the region of Tanger-Tetouan-Al Hoceima in 2020. We have also supported the organization of more than 20 OpenGov events during the OpenGov Week every year in 2022 and 2023.

We recognize the importance of joining OGP Local and be part of a global community of government and civil society who strive to innovate, catalyze progress and promote learning within and across jurisdictions. This global community is strengthened by the actions of its members, hence, we continue pledging to be an active member of this global community and support other members with peer exchanges and engaging at the local, national and international level to promote the values of open government.

If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2023 call, Samia El Baouchi , the director of Impact For Development, will be responsible for leading the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit. In addition, we commit to making available the necessary human, financial and technical resources to participate in the co-creation, implementation and learning from ambitious commitments within the action plan.

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