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### **The development of renewable energies in Morocco**

The purpose of this study, newly launched, is to take stock of achievements in the in the field of development of solar and wind energy, since the implementation in 2009 of the national energy strategy. Proposals will be submitted to help shed light on future strategic choices in this area.

### **Employment and development: employment public policies**

The Royal Institute for Strategic Studies (IRES) has posted the summary report of the international conference organized on this subject jointly with the College "Strategic Studies and Economic Development", under the Hassan II Academy of Sciences and Techniques. This report established the situation of the labour market at national and international level, highlighted the challenges represented by these themes and made suggestions in terms of public policies to be adopted within the framework of a new inclusive development model.

### **The water issue in Morocco according to the NEXUS approach**

IRES has finalized the report on the water issue in Morocco in accordance with the Nexus "Agriculture- water-Energy-Ecosystems " approach. This report underlined the importance of a good understanding of the interconnections between the sectors mentioned, of collective ownership of water-related issues and of strengthening coordination between the various actors. Innovative ideas have been put forward with the aim of providing substantive responses to the challenges linked to the rational management of national water resources.



### **Webographic Newsletter of the months January and February 2020**

The January and February 2020 issues of the "Webographic bulletin", published on the Institute website, introduce syntheses of summaries of foresight reports dealing with the following topics: challenges of food systems, the integration of territories in the Middle East and North Africa, the economic consequences of the degradation of nature...



### **The NEXUS Conference**

This conference, held on January 8, 2020, was devoted to the presentation of public policies in the water, agriculture, energy and forestry sectors as well as the discussion of the conclusions of the report on the Nexus approach.



### **Energy transition and renewable energies in Africa**

Organized jointly with the international NGO START and the Quebec Office, on January 30, 2020 in Rabat, this workshop highlighted certain African experiences in the area of energy transition and allowed to explore opportunities for cooperation and exchange of expertise in the field of renewable energy development between Morocco and African countries, especially those of ECOWAS



### **The future of Europe is in the South**

The meeting of February 13, 2020 was dedicated to the discussion of the book " L'avenir de l'Europe est au Sud ", by its author Mr. Fathallah SIJILMASSI. It highlighted the changes underway within the European Union and their impact on the future of the relations of this regional grouping with its southern neighbors. It was also an opportunity to examine actions giving new impetus to the Euro-Mediterranean space, in a prospective approach, favoring reciprocity and mutual benefits.



### **Scientific day on oceans and seas**

As part of the IRES' foresight reflection on global issues, the meeting of February 19, 2020 focused on national maritime issues, current and future and on the keys to success of a sustainable development by 2040 of maritime areas and coasts.



### **Communication of the Director General of IRES to the monthly meeting of the Special Commission on the Development Model**

In the presence of the members of the Special Commission on the development model, the Director General of IRES, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE hosted, on January 30, 2020, at the Conference Center of Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, a meeting devoted to the presentation of the results of the 2016 national survey on social



### **The national competition barometer**

Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, Director General of IRES, participated in the opening session of the workshop, organized on this subject by the Competition Council on February 18, 2020. His communication focused on positioning of the Kingdom, through the presentation of two IRES tools: the strategic dashboard and the survey of Morocco's external and internal reputation.



### Visits of personalities to IRES

The Director General of IRES, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE received, on January 7, 2020 Mr. Edward CHRISTOW, Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Program. The exchanges focused on issues related to human development and the possibilities of cooperation between the two institutions.

Mrs. Hélène DRAINVILLE, Deputy Minister at the Ministry of International Relations and La Francophonie of Quebec also paid a working visit to IRES on January 23, 2020, during which the focus was on the future of Africa and the type of relationships to be developed in common within the framework of a win-win partnership.

Mr. MOULINE received, on February 25, 2020, Mrs. Maria Angles Garcia de Lara, adviser at the Spanish Embassy in Rabat in order to study the possibilities of strengthening cooperation between IRES and Spanish strategic think tanks, especially those under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



### Working meeting with a delegation from the Center for European Policy Studies (CEPS)

This meeting of January 22, 2020, which is part of the study on the future of relations between the Kingdom and the European Union, was an opportunity to address the concrete aspects of carrying out this study, in particular, those relating to the perception survey of Morocco within the European bodies whose administration was entrusted to the CEPS by the IRES.

### Agenda

Pour les mois de mars et avril 2020, l'activité IRES.Forum se distinguera par l'organisation :

In March and April 2020, the IRES will organize:

- a meeting to present the results of the study on the perception of Morocco by the European authorities.
- foresight day.
- a seminar presenting the results of the study on the development of renewable energies in Morocco.
- a seminar presenting the results of the study on Morocco-European Union relations.