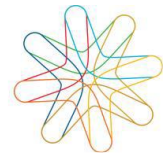# Annual ANDD Meeting 2022

April 13, 2022

ANDD and Cadi Ayyad University – Morocco

Meeting's topic

"The role of Academic research in influencing the achievement of the SDGs"

I. Background

The Academic Network for Development Dialogue (ANDD) is an emerging network aiming to create synergy and strengthen the cooperation and dialogue between the United Nations (UN) and Academia. It acts as a think tank in the Arab region to influence the UN's work and the global dialogue on policy options to support the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It also links the network with other academic international entities to have a better worldwide experience.

On 14 July 2020, Academicians and researchers from 16 academic and research institutions from the Arab region met to discuss the need to establish a network of learning institutions to support the implementation of the SDGs in the region.

With Cadi Ayyad University-Morocco as a chair host, the 2022 annual meeting is an opportunity to foster academic commitment towards the inclusive achievement of the SDGs, and to encourage relevant and sustainable actions to be taken by individuals as well as institutions.

II. Theme

"The role of Academic research in influencing the achievement of the SDGs"

III. Participants

The annual meeting is open to ANDD's Institutional members and ANDD's Individual members.
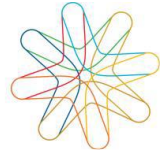
IV. Time and Location

Time: April 13th, 2022, 9:00

- 9:00 am (Morocco time)
- 12:00 am (Doha Time)
- 12:00 am (Beirut time)

Location:

- In-person at Cadi Ayyad University Marrakech – Morocco.
- Online Meeting
    - Meeting link: **https://zoom.us/j/87412892104**
    - Meeting ID: **874 1289 2104**
    - Passcode: **597563aa@@**

V.   Objectives

The 2022 annual meeting is a discussion platform for ANDD members and partners. It aims to examine how Academia and Research institutions of the Region can boost the actions of relevant stakeholders and enhance innovative and sustainable solutions to achieve the SDGs.

The meeting also seeks to highlight actions and best practices of translational research actions that connect Higher Education trends to the Arab world's development issues, particularly in the light of the current COVID-19 crisis.

Promoting an intellectual sharing process, acting like a facilitator of engagement, stimulating and supporting small-scale actions, the annual meeting plans to provide a platform for academicians, expert practitioners, and the United Nations experts to network, reflect and innovate.

VI.   Organizers

ANDD and Cadi Ayyad University (UCA), with the support of United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), in collaboration with Qatar University (QU) and UNESCO.
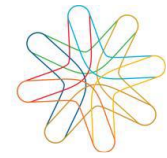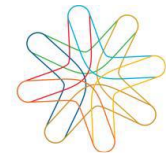
VII.   Language

English and Arabic.

VIII.   Contact
- Ms. Houda KRABTI, UCA
- Mr. Brahim ELAFQIH, UCA
- Mr. Mohammad Zuheir BAKLEH, ESCWA
- Ms. Nathalie AFIF YOUNAN, QU

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Time	**Agenda**
9h00 – 9h30	**Welcoming participants to the annual meeting 2022/ Qatar University**
9h30 – 10h45	**Opening session** Moderator: Dr. Fatimazohra Iflahen Vice-President of Cadi Ayyad University
	Welcome address **Dr. Moulay Lhassan HBID, President of Cadi Ayyad University**

	Qatar University Co-chair 2022 and Previous year host: Prof. Mariam AL-MAADEED, Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies
	     Presentation of ANDD and its governance system
	     Presenting and Welcoming new ANDD's members
	     Achievements Synopsis

	Welcoming Cadi Ayyad as the year host: Hand over
	Cadi Ayyad University welcome and breakdown of the meeting
	UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)
10h45 – 11h	**Break**
11h – 11h30	**Keynote: "The role of Academic research in fostering inclusive achievement of the SDGs"** Moderator: Dr. Fatimazohra Iflahen Vice-President of Cadi Ayyad University

	- **Dr. Fatima ARIB**, Professor-Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University and Expert in sustainable development economy, "Scientific Research at the Service of Green Innovation for Sustainable Development". - **Dr. Maisaa Youssef**, Cluster leader, ESCWA 2030 Agenda and SDG Coordination, "The role of Academic research in fostering inclusive achievement of the SDGs".
11h30 – 12h30	**Panel Session 1: Scientific research at the service of the public sector and relevant stockholders in the Arab Region** Moderator: Pr. Math NOORTMANN, Professor in Transnational Law and Non-State Actors. - **Prof. Fadhil Sadooni**, Research Professor, Environmental Science Center (ESC), Qatar University, "The role of research in addressing challenges associated with rapid development: an example from the State of Qatar". - **Dr. Hamid KADDAMI**, Professor - Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University, expert in organic solid rejects valorization and recycling, "Plant fibers from agriculture waste: valorization and sustainable development". - **Dr. Laila MANDI**, Professor-Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University and Head of National Centre of Study and Research on Water and Energy (CNEREE), "Water scarcity, a challenge to sustainable development-Case of Morocco". - **Dr. Rachid HAKKOU**, Professor-Researcher at Cadi Ayyad university expert in solid waste and mining waste management, member of CDRT-Marrakech and member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Ouarzazate Foundation for Sustainable Development, "Recycling of mine wastes as raw materials in the construction sector: towards a smart circular economy". - **Dr. Elham KATEEB**, Associate Professor of Dental Public Health, Deanship of Scientific Research, Al-Quds University, "How Dentistry in

	Palestine responded to COVID-19? The private sector, Governmental Response and Social Responsibility: Lessons learned from the Pandemic".
12h30 – 12h35	**Break**
12h35 – 13h35	**Panel Session 2: Civil society in times of COVID-19 crisis: A lever for achieving the SDGs in the Arab Region?** Moderator: Taibi Moulay Abdallah, Doctoral researcher/ Research assistant Cadi Ayyad University, and Co-founder of Art Youth without Borders NGO. - **Dr. Abdellatif AADIL (Dr. Ahmed CHEHBOUNI)**, Professor-Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University and Member of Tensift Region Development Center (CDRT) NGO, "How University and Civil Society partnered enhancing innovative solutions to achieve the SDGs through success stories". - **Mme Safae BOUMRAH**, Member of AL KARAM – NGO, ''الريادة الجمعوية لتحقيق أهداف التنمية المستدامة: نمودج جمعية الكرم'' - **Mr. Yossef Ben Meir**, President of the High Atlas Foundation (HAF) NGO, "To achieve SDGs, we need to get local people on board". - **Dr. Fatimazohra IFLAHEN**, Professor-Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University in gender issues, "Soroptimist" NGO, "Gender Inequalities in education: Bridging academia and civil society for sustainability. A success story". - **Mr. Mohammed BOUGROUM**, Professor -Researcher at Cadi Ayyad University, expert consultant in education, labor market and social development and president of the Support foundation for the mobility of people with disabilities in the region of Marrakech Safi (F2MS) NGO, "دور المجتمع المدني في بلورة وتفعيل السياسات العمومية لإدماج الأشخاص في وضعية إعاقة : السياسة العمومية في مجال الحركية مثالا" - **Dr. Sana ZAIMI, President of the Federation of Women's Rights Leagues, Marrakech – Safi**

	العمل التضامني ةالتمكين الاقتصادي للنساء: حالة فدرالية رابطة حقوق النساء بجهة مراكش أسفي"
13h35 – 14h15	**Discussions and recommendations**
14h15 – 14h30	**Steps Ahead** Publishing an academic paper/s arising from the panels as well as the possibility to publish a recommendations report to UNESCO/ESCWA
14h30 – 14h40	**Closing session**