

Third University of African Civil Society Leaders Theme:

Youth and Culture, pillars of development and social cohesion in Africa

The Tensift Region Development Center (CDRT) as a dynamic component of Moroccan and African civil society has been involved since 2010 in collaboration with Africa. In fact, the CDRT has organized four universities for young leaders of civil society; two for young people in the North Africa region and two others for universities across Africa.

Building on the success and success of the universities of young Africans it organized, the CDRT with the support of its partners will organize the third university of leaders of African civil society on June 25, 26, 27 and 28, 2020 in Marrakech. For this edition, the theme chosen is: Youth and Culture, pillars of development and social cohesion in Africa The leaders of African civil society, in particular the young people who will participate in this third university will discuss how to enhance the rich cultural heritage and the endogenous know how which abound in the continent to promote the development of Africa and the social cohesion of its peoples. It is also about seeing how our young people can surf the web to enhance our cultural heritage through the internet and social networks.

These exchanges will take place in the presence of African intellectuals and development experts. They will revolve around the promotion of socio-cultural values and practices of forgiveness, dialogue and the reduction of prejudices in a dynamic of reconciliation.

The African continent has considerable assets which give it assurance of a promising

future. Indeed, with its oil, gas and mineral wealth, its immense arable land, its cultural

diversity and its youth, Africa can become one of the leading powers of this world.

However, while some countries in Africa show growth rates of 6% or more, others suffer

from unstable situations and civil war, not to mention those burdened by high public

debt, jihadist terrorism or the devastating consequences of weather conditions extremes.

To face this situation, all actors (governments, private sector and civil society) must, each

at their own level, combine their efforts for a new African socio-economic order based on

freedom, democracy, solidarity and live together in harmony and tranquility.

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