## **SPATIAL PLANNING AND GREEN GROWTH CHALLENGES**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

- Morocco has accumulated extensive experience in planning policy
- Taking into account of the dimension "Environment" progressively becomes strong
- In terms of integrated territorial development, we are now beginning a long and tedious process ...

### **1- PLANNING POLICY IN MOROCCO: A FEW REMINDERS**

social Equity

Economic efficiency

Preservation of resources and environments

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

# **GROUNDS AND STANDARDS**

Design based on the triptych Debate on National Planning National Charter for Spatial Planning National Scheme for Spatial Planning

### THE MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIAL PLANNING

anticipation and analysis of issues and territories strategic thinking

Monitoring and production of strategic information

**Observation tools and production of territorial information** 

The animation of territories and the pulse of territorial dynamics <u>Proximity Approaches</u>

### 1- GREEN GROWTH AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT: SOME ISSUES

#### 1. MASTERING THE INFORMATION REGARDING GG

- SCIENTIFIC MASTERING
- TECHNICAL MASTERING
- STATISTICAL MASTERIN
- o ... etc.

**2.** STRENGTHENING THE TERRITORIAL APPROACH

STRATEGIC TERRITORIAL PLANNING APPROACH BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF:

- INTEGRATION
- PARTICIPATION
- CONTRACTING

#### NEED FOR SERIOUS REFORM TO INITIATE NATIONAL GOVERNANCE

- INTERMINISTERIALITY
- DECONCENTRATION
- DECENTARLISATION
- SERIOUS OBSTACLES:
  - HEGEMONY OF THE SECTORIAL
  - THE DOMINANCE OF THE CENTRAL
  - THE LOW CAPACITY OF THE LOCAL
- HOPE IS ALLOWED:
  - POLITICAL WILL
  - ACTIVATION OF BODIES AND TOOLS OF TERRITORIAL PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (CSAT, ICAA, FDR, SRAT, PROTER ...)
  - SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENTS WILL PERFORM THE REST ...
  - **3.** ANCHOR CULTURE GG AT DIFFERENT TERRITORIAL SCALES
    - **REGIONAL** 
      - > SRAT
    - INTERCOMMUNAL
      - > PROTER
    - COMMUNAL
      - > AGENDA 21
      - > PCD

### 2- FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA

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## FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA HISTORY

• Since 2004, Morocco, thanks to the Ministry of HHUP (DAT) holds the observer status in the CPDT / OECD

- In 2010, this status was confirmed and extended for the period of 2010-2011
- The MENA-OECD Ministerial Conference on Governance and investment (November 2009) was held in Marrakech
- Create a focus group for green growth and territorial Development

# FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA OBJECTIVES

- Facilitate regional dialogue and share best practices in terms of green growth and territorial governance
- Build capacity for effective implementation of territorial development policies and green growth strategy
- Establish a political consensus for the development of regional and national strategies in terms of GG
- Ensure better public governance at the territorial scales to better negotiate the transition to a greener economy, preparing territories to be received or capturing green investments

# FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA IMPLEMENTATION

- Confirming the commitment of Morocco and its membership to the international process underway since Rio Summit in 1992,
- Showing its willingness to cooperate and benefit from the international expertise of setting up mechanisms to encourage policy makers to rethink in sustainable development without compromising national priorities for socio-economic development.

#### **MEETING OF 17 DECEMBER 2010**

- Implement the FG in collaboration with the OECD, and the MMSP MAEG
- Share some experiences on green growth
- Draw the FG roadmap

# FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA ROADMAP

Identifying the 4 principle themes :

- 1- Territorial governance and access to public services, main provisions for capacity building and for coherent national public action
- 2- Raising water challenges in the MENA countries, identifying good governance practices,
- 3- Making the most of renewable energy sources in rural areas,
- 4- Cities and green growth, opportunities for urban interventions and coordination of multi-level governance

## FOCUS GROUP VCLT OECD / MENA ROADMAP

#### **MEETING OF 03 MARS 2011**

- Discuss the draft Roadmap and the suggested themes
- Build a common consensus on priorities
- Build a shared national vision for GG in common with the OECD / MENA

## PERSPECTIVES

- Launch of an expertise on the state of GG in Morocco
- Creation of a network of GG and TD experts at the national scale
- Identifying training needs to develop skills in the field of GG at the national and local levels.
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## Conclusion

# • Integrated and sustainable territorial development undertaken by local actors and based on green economy ... it is possible

- There is no magic recipe, but it is obligatory to :
  - Encourage innovation
  - Multiply experiments
  - Encourage partnerships and exchanges

## Thank you for your Attention