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The 14th meeting of the Executive Committee of United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa) taking place on 9 to 10 May 2016 at the Golden Tulip Farah hotel in Rabat (Morocco). Organized with the support of the Moroccan Association of Presidents of the Municipal Councils (AMPCC), this meeting registers the participation of the 15 members of the Executive Committee, which are representing the National Associations of Local Authorities and Cities:

- City of Dakar
- Association of Mayors of Mauritania (AMM)
- Association of Mayors of Congo (AMC)
- Association of Districts of Victoria (ADV)
- South Africa Local Governments Association (SALGA)
- United Councils and Cities of Cameroon (UCCC)
- National Association of Local Authorities of Ghana (NALAG)
- Association of Mayors of Gabon
- National Federation of Tunisian Cities (FNVT)
- Botswana Association of Local Authorities (BALA)
- Association of Local Authorities of Tanzania (ALAT)
- Moroccan Association of Presidents of the Municipal Councils (AMPCC)
- National Association of the Municipalities of Cape-Verde (ANMPV)
- Uganda Local Governments Association (ULGA)
- Association of Local Authorities of Namibia (ALAN)
This 14th session of UCLG Africa Executive Committee is the first after the Africities Summit 7 (Johannesburg, 29 November-2 December 2015), which saw the renewal of the management of UCLG Africa under the chairmanship of the City of Dakar represented by its Mayor, Khalifa Sall Ababacar. The meeting is also held prior the 5th Congress of the World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), scheduled next October in Bogota, Colombia from 12 to 15 October 2016. The City of Johannesburg, represented by its mayor Mpho Parks Tau, is the candidate of Africa as Global President of UCLG.

Thus, the Executive Committee of UCLG Africa will have among other aims to define the promotion strategy for the candidature of Africa at the World UCLG Presidency. The meeting will also deal with organizational issues including the adoption of the program of activities in 2016 and 2015 the organization accounts.

The work of the Executive Committee will be opened by the Minister of Interior of the Kingdom of Morocco.

On the fringes of the actual meeting of the Executive Committee will also take place the work proceedings of the Financial Commission of UCLG Africa and the Presidency of the Network of Locally Elected Women of Africa (REFELA).

About UCLG Africa: United Cities and Local Governments of Africa is the umbrella organization and the united voice and representative of local government in Africa. It is an institution that gathers 40 national associations of local governments from all regions of Africa as well as the 2000 cities that have more than 100,000 inhabitants. Therefore UCLG AFRICA represents nearly 350 million Africans citizens. UCLG AFRICA is a founding member of the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) world organization, and its regional section for Africa. UCLG AFRICA is currently headquartered in the City of Rabat, The Kingdom of Morocco, where it enjoys a diplomatic status as a Pan-African International Organisation.

About AMPCC: the Moroccan Association of Presidents of the Municipal Councils (AMPCC), with headquarters in Rabat, was created at the first National Congress of the Presidents of Municipal Councils, held May 27, 2013 in Skhirate. The main objective of this association is to contribute to the revitalization of the joint community action and strengthen mechanisms of solidarity and cooperation between Local Authorities and local stakeholders.