Africities Summit 9


Join us in Kisumu and, together, let us begin the journey towards the African Renaissance

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Africities is the materialization of a choice and of a will. The aim is to strengthen the role of local and regional governments in the development of the continent and to help build the integration and unity of Africa from its territories.

Africities summit is the largest democratic gathering organized in Africa. It is the main platform for dialogue on decentralization and local governance that brings together every three years, African ministers; mayors, leaders and elected officials of local and regional governments; civil society organizations; traditional authorities; representatives of the African diaspora; economic actors; experts, researchers and academics; financial institutions; and development partners.

The theme of the 9th Africities Summit, which will be held from 17 to 21 May 2022 in Kisumu, is: “The Role of Intermediary Cities of Africa in the Implementation of Agenda 2030 of the United Nations and the African Union Agenda 2063”. Kisumu is the first ever intermediary city to host the Africities Summit. The previous 8th Africities edition, held in Marrakesh from 20 to 24 November 2018 in Morocco, registered attendance topped a record of 8,300 participants.

The Africities Summit has two major goals:

- To define appropriate shared strategies in order to improve the living conditions of people at the local level.
- To contribute to the integration, peace and unity of Africa from its territories.

Organized every three years for the past 20 years, the Africities Summit has been held under the banner of UCLG Africa since 2006, alternately in each of the five regions of the continent.

### General architecture of the Summit

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**May 18, 2022**

**Morning** : Sessions on Local Policies and Strategies / Open Sessions

**Afternoon** : Culture Day / Digital Day / Urban Planning Day / Open Sessions

**May 19, 2022**

**Morning** : Africities Investment Forum / Women’s day / Youth day / Open Sessions

**Afternoon** : Africities Investment Forum / General Assembly REFELA / General Assembly YELO / Open Sessions

**May 20, 2022**

**Morning** : Opening of the Political Meetings / Meeting of Ministers / Meeting of Mayors and Leaders of Local Authorities / Meeting of Development Partners / Open Sessions

**Afternoon** : UCLG Africa’s Elective General Assembly / Open Sessions

**May 21, 2022**

**Morning** : Tripartite Dialogue Meeting between Ministers, Mayors and Leaders of local authorities and Development Partners

**Afternoon** : Official Closing Ceremony of the Summit

**Evening** : Gala Dinner / Africities Awards
The Africities Exhibition of Kisumu, which is held in parallel with the Conference part, consists of:

- 5,000 square meters of exhibition space;
- Between 150 and 200 exhibitors from Africa and other continents, including country pavilions, institutional pavilions, and booths dedicated to public or private companies;
- B2B Meetings;
- A series of workshops held each day around the following five main priorities of the African Development Bank (High Five), namely:

1. Lighting up intermediary cities;
2. Feeding intermediate cities;
3. Improving the quality of life in intermediary cities;
4. Developing economic activities and employment in intermediary cities;
5. The contribution of intermediary cities to African integration and unity.

### 8th Africities Summit at a Glance in Marrakesh, Kingdom of Morocco

- **8,300 Participants**
- **77 countries**
- **20 Ministers**
- **3,000 Local elected officials and mayors**
- **40 Partners**
- **150 Sessions**
- **84 Exhibitors**
- **150 B2B meetings**
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