



To the attention of UCLG Africa Members

Dear colleagues,

Shortly before midnight on Friday, the Kingdom of Morocco was hit by the most powerful earthquake in over 100 years. Communities in the Al Haouz region are facing enormous loss of lives, with over 2,500 casualties and more than 2,700 people in critical condition. Rural communities in the High Atlas have been severely damaged. Buildings have collapsed, and the remoteness of these areas compromises access for rescue and medical teams.

As UCLG Africa, the umbrella organization of African local authorities, and in my capacity as head of the Finance Committee, I am certain that African local authorities share the same commitment to solidarity and responsibility towards the Moroccan population represented by their mayors and regional presidents. It is our turn to show the same sense of solidarity we have witnessed from the people of the Kingdom of Morocco during the COVID-19 pandemic. Indeed, support is coming from all corners of the country and all strata of society to face this catastrophe with dignity, but it is not enough.

That's why I'm asking for your help and support in the form of donations, whatever they may be. It is essential that aid reaches these areas as quickly as possible for the displaced families in the region who need immediate help.

As you may know and in order to reinforce the solidarity in the face of this tragedy, His majesty King Mohammed VI has decided to open a special account with the Treasury and Bank Al-Maghrib to receive voluntary solidarity contributions from citizens, private and public organizations.

We encourage members of UCLG Africa to contribute by sending their contributions to the above-mentioned Bank account which detail information are:

- **IBAN of beneficiary: MA64 001 810 00 780 002 011 062 03 18**
- **Beneficiary's name: Trésorier ministériel auprès du ministère de l'Economie et des Finances**
- **Beneficiary bank: Bank Al-Maghrib**
- **SWIFT: BKAMMAMR**
- **Purpose of transfer: contribution to special fund No. 126**

Please copy the wire transfer proof of your contribution to UCLG Africa at the following address: secretariat@uclga.org

We remain at your disposal for any assistance you may need.

Best Regards

For UCLG Africa

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