

## **DEVELOPMENT & CAPACITY BUILDING HUB**

**The African Local Governments Academy (ALGA)  
of UCLG Africa and the Agency for Ecological Transition  
(ADEME) are organising:**

### **TEST TRAINING SESSION**

# ***"THE ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION OF THE TERRITORIES"***

**Thursday 19 May 2022, from 14:30pm to 18:00pm  
AFRICAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR 9  
STAND OF ALGA OF UCLG AFRICA**

***"Together for an Effective Local Africa"***

## **Context :**

United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG-Africa) is the umbrella organization of African local and regional governments, founded in 2005 in the city of Tshwane, South Africa, following the unification of three continental local government groups. Based in the Kingdom of Morocco, in Rabat, UCLG Africa represents a network of 54 National and Regional Associations of Local Governments covering the 5 Regions of Africa. Its vision is to build the unity of Africa from its territories and its roots. UCLG Africa's mandate is to promote Decentralization Policy, Local Governance and Local and Territorial Development through several pillars of action, namely advocacy, capacity building, knowledge sharing, technical assistance, fundraising, networking, etc. UCLG Africa also plays a key and active role in the territorialization and localization of the 2030 World Agendas for Sustainable Development, and of the 2063 Agenda for Africa. Based on this commitment, UCLG Africa has created several initiatives related to Climate Action, Capacity Building and Knowledge Management, in particular through its African Local Governments Academy (ALGA) as a strategic lever of UCLG Africa for investment in the Human Capital of African LGUs, through Apprenticeship, Training, Capacity Building, Training of Trainers, and Peer Learning, targeting local elected officials and local public administration employees; the Knowledge Centre and Communities of Practice; and the Climate Task Force..

The Paris Agreement, and more generally COP 21, was an important step in terms of promoting Local and Sub-national Authorities - to use the words of the Treaty - in the international climate negotiations. More specifically, this Agreement promotes Local and Regional Government (LRG) action as a means of encouraging States and all other actors and stakeholders in a territory to pursue more ambitious climate policies and actions, thus recognizing their fundamental role as the main actor of transformation and change.

However, in addition to being centres, spaces and territories of opportunity, promise and innovation, where livelihoods are secured, and as recalled in the New Urban Agenda (Sustainable and Resilient Urban Development), LGUs, especially cities are facing unprecedented threats and challenges due to unsustainable consumption and production patterns, climate change, biodiversity loss, pressure on ecosystems, pollution, natural and human disasters, lack of capacity, skills, abilities and knowledge, etc. ... that threaten climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts, as well as their resilience.

To address these challenges, and to realize this shared global vision, all the above-mentioned Global Agendas, but also the African Agenda 2063, call, firstly, for the empowerment and capacity building of human capital and institutions, and secondly, for investment in multi-actor and multi-stakeholder partnerships.

SDGs 17 calls for Global Cooperations and Partnerships to: "17. 6 Strengthen access to and North-South and South-South Cooperation and triangular regional and international cooperation in science, technology and innovation and enhance knowledge sharing in a mutually agreed manner, including through better coordination of existing mechanisms, in particular at the United Nations level, and as part of a global technology facilitation mechanism" to address global, regional and local challenges such as Climate Change.

Learning, development and Capacity Building, knowledge sharing are issues that require multi-faceted approaches, methodologies and tools to address the capacity of regional pressure groups and all stakeholders, combining individual, societal and institutional capacity to

formulate, design, implement, improve, manage, monitor and evaluate public policies for sustainable development and climate action.

If these are areas where we have a crucial need for multi-actor and multi-level governance partnerships, it is at this level that we measure the importance of the co-creation dynamic, through the pooling of means and resources, starting with knowledge, expertise and methodologies.

As part of the support and accompaniment of African local authorities for the implementation of the SDGs, particularly the Climate Agenda, UCLG Africa through its African Academy of Local Authorities and the Agency for Ecological Transition - ADEME (France) have set up a partnership and collaboration framework, targeting the empowerment, training and capacity building of local elected officials and staff of these entities.

In perfect coordination between the two partners, training modules for trainers have been developed on the basis of ADEME's experience and training content. These modules are adapted with the support of experts recruited by ALGA and ADEME, selected for their expertise and experience in the fields of territorial support, sustainable development and teaching. These modules are designed on the basis of feedback and ADEME training content.

The planned training modules are:

1. Introductory module: The ecological transition of territories;
2. In-depth module: Territorial strategy for adaptation to climate change;
3. In-depth module: Climate and Energy Planning in Africa.

The Modules are being tested for a better focus on the African context, beneficiaries, methodology and pedagogical tools, before being deployed in a series of Training of Trainers Sessions.

On the basis of their solid and strategic partnership, UCLG Africa, through its ALGA Academy, and the French Agency for Ecological Transition ADEME seized the opportunity of the Africities 9 Summit to organize a test Training on the Introductory Module entitled: "The ecological transition of the Territories".

### **Objective:**

The objective of this training module is to provide the necessary contextual and opening elements for a good understanding of the challenges of the ecological transition on the scale of territories in Africa and how to carry out a process of sustainable, resilient and low carbon territorial development.

At the end of this training, participants will be able to understand the concepts related to the ecological transition, the context and challenges of sustainable urban development in Africa and will have a broader vision of planning approaches and tools for climate action based on good African practices.

The educational objectives of the module are:

- Promote the exchange of representations between elected officials or territorial executives;
- To decipher the challenges of climate change in Africa;
- Share the perspectives of a sustainable territorial development of African territories;
- To master the levers to act in favour of a sustainable territorial development of territories;
- Identify the framework documents, approaches and tools for action;

- Understand how to build an operational roadmap;
- Identify the actions and projects to consolidate the action on the territories.

### **Content of the session**

The session consists of facilitating a test session to a variety of participants representing African local governments to:

- To present the content and focus of the Introductory Module;
- Appreciate the pedagogical quality of the module and its potential for contextualisation to the diversity of African cities;
- To collect the points of view of the different actors and stakeholders in order to finalise the Module;
- To have a Module, a content and pedagogical tool that fit with the local African context and with the expectations of African Local Governments.

### **Format :**

- A face-to-face session.
- Location: UCLG Africa/ALGA stand
- Location: Kisumu, Kenya.
- Date: 19 May 2022, from 14:30pm to 18:00pm (Local time in Kisumu, UTC +3).
- Duration: 3 hours and 30 minutes.
- Languages: The Organisers will provide interpretation in English and French.

### **Modalities of the Session:**

The Session will be organised face-to-face.

## General Structure of the Training Session :

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activities</b>
<b>14:00pm</b>	Welcome and installation of guests and participants and setting up of the stage.
<b>14:30pm-14:40pm</b>	<b>Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hon. Mr. Luc Setondji Atrokpo, Mayor of the City of Cotonou, Benin</li> <li>- Ms Fariath Chabi, ALGA of UCLG Africa, Moderator</li> </ul>
<b>14:40pm-16:00pm</b>	Presentation of the training of trainers program, Muriel Desgeorges, ADEME Presentation of the Module on "Ecological Transition of Territories", Mr Alé Badara Sy (part 1)
<b>16:00pm-16:30pm</b>	Break.
<b>16:30pm-17:30pm</b>	Presentation of the Module on "Ecological Transition of Territories", Mr Alé Badara Sy (part 2)
<b>17:30pm-17:45pm</b>	Debate.
<b>17:45pm-18:00pm</b>	Conclusions et Recommendations

<b>Speakers</b>		
<b>Full Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Affiliation/Organisation</b>
<i>Hon. Mr Luc Setondji Atrokpo,</i>	Chair of the meeting	Mayor of the City of Cotonou, Benin.
<i>Ms Fariath Chabi</i>	Moderator	ALGA Academy of UCLG Africa.
<i>Ms Muriel Desgeorges</i>	Moderator	Agency for Ecological Transition ADEME, France.
<i>Mr Alé Badara Sy</i>	Trainer	Consultant for UCLG-Africa/ALGA and ADEME, Senegal.
<i>Ms Philomène Dabiré</i>	Rapporteur	ALGA Academy of UCLG Africa.

**Relevant links:**

**UCLG Africa Portal:** [www.uclga.org](http://www.uclga.org)

**ALGA website of UCLG Africa :** [www.uclgafrica-alga.org](http://www.uclgafrica-alga.org)

**Relevant links from ADEME (France):**

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/urbanisme-et-batiment/4990-des-solutions-pour-rafraichir-les-villes-recueil-international-9791029718595.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4826-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-brochure-des-actions-9791029717512.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4823-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-version-arabe.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4824-capitalisation-des-pratiques-en-matiere-d-adaptation-au-changement-climatique-en-mediterranee-synthese-9791029717543.html>

<https://librairie.ademe.fr/changement-climatique-et-energie/4825-capitalisation-on-climate-change-adaptation-practices-in-the-mediterranean-area-9791029717567.html>

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[https://wiki.resilience-territoire.ademe.fr/wiki/Pourquoi\\_r%C3%A9pondre\\_%C3%A0\\_un\\_Appel\\_%C3%A0\\_Communs\\_et\\_FAQ](https://wiki.resilience-territoire.ademe.fr/wiki/Pourquoi_r%C3%A9pondre_%C3%A0_un_Appel_%C3%A0_Communs_et_FAQ)

**Relevant links from 4C - Morocco:**

<http://www.4c.ma/>

**Relevant links from UCLG's Learning Department :**

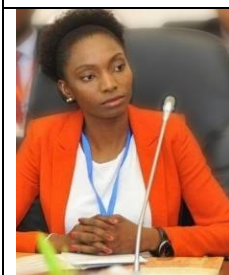
- <https://learningwith.uclg.org/courses/enrolled/1544816>
- [Localizing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [Aprendiendo sobre Ciudades Resilientes UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO](#)
- [Apprendre sur les villes résilientes](#)
- [UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO](#)
- [Learning about Resilient Cities: Actions & Strategies](#)
- [UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)
- [REPRODUCIENDO VER MÁS TARDE](#)
- [Aprendiendo sobre Resiliencia - Lineas de acción para las Asociaciones de Gob. Locales y Regionales UCLG Learning Kitchen](#)

## **BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS:**



**Hon. Mr Luc Setondji Atrokpo**  
**Mayor of the City of Cotonou, the National Association of Communes of Benin (ANCB), Benin.**

A lawyer by training, Mr Luc Sètonджи ATROKPO is the current Mayor of the city of Cotonou, the economic capital of Benin, and the current President of the National Association of Communes of Benin (ANCB). With nearly 20 years of experience in communal management, Mr. ATROKPO has been successively First Deputy Mayor and then Mayor of the city of Bohicon in Benin since the advent of decentralization in 2003 until 2020 when he was elected Mayor of Cotonou. After having chaired the Union of Zou Municipalities as Mayor of Bohicon, he is currently President of the Association of Atlantic and Littoral Municipalities (ACAL) in addition to his other functions. Mr. ATROKPO is also strongly involved in social issues with a Foundation that bears his name.



**Fariath Chabi**  
**Support Staff, the African Local Governments Academy (ALGA) of UCLG Africa, Bénin.**

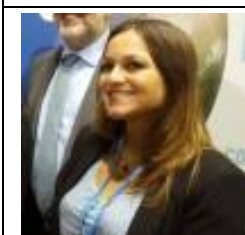
Fariath Chabi holds a Master's degree in Political Science and International Relations from Mohammed V Agdal University in Rabat, Morocco.

She joined the ALGA Academy team of UCLG Africa in 2018.



**Alé Badara SY**  
**Senior Expert Urbanist and expert in infrastructure project management.**

Alé Badara SY is a senior urban planner and expert in infrastructure project management. In his professional career, he has worked for the Senegalese government (APIX, Ministry of Urbanism), multilateral organizations (the Global Green Growth Institute, UN Habitat). As a consultant, he has collaborated with a dozen national and multinational firms (Replan, ERM, Ramboll, SEPIA, EGIS, Rockefeller Foundation, African Centre for Cities) in the setting up of infrastructure projects, the design of development projects, the elaboration of urban plans, the development of green cities, the formulation of urban policies and environmental assessments.



**Ms Muriel Desgeorges, Multilateral project officer of the Agency for Ecological Transition ADEME, France.**

Ms Desgeorges' professional background is oriented towards the sustainable development of territories, in particular on the subjects of urban planning, the fight against climate change, and access to energy. She is currently working on capacity building for local authorities and the development of decision support tools for the

	<p>implementation of environmental public policies. It ensures the exchange of French expertise internationally, within the framework of multilateral cooperation aimed at implementing global agendas (Paris Agreement, New Urban Agenda, Agenda 2030 for sustainable development).</p>
 A portrait of Philomène Dabiré, a woman with short dark hair and glasses, wearing a dark blazer over a plaid shirt. She is seated in an orange chair. The background shows a wall with several posters or maps.	<p><b>Philomène Dabiré</b> <b>Support Staff, the African Local Governments Academy (ALGA) of UCLG Africa, Burkina Faso.</b></p>