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IRES.Think tank



Issues and implications of COP21 and COP 22 for Morocco

IRES has elaborated a synthesis report which highlighted the stakes and implications of the upcoming international climate conferences for Morocco. The report emphasized the strategic and scientific aspects as well as key to success for the organization of the COP 22, to be held in Marrakech in 2016.

The energy transition in Morocco

The provisional report of this study has examined the impact of major trends in the global energy context on Morocco's current and potential energy options and made some public policy proposals likely to achieve Morocco's energy transition, through reference to some successful international experiences in this field.

Inequalities and social cohesion in Morocco: challenges and public policy orientations

The general report of the study mentioned above includes an analysis of the effectiveness of Morocco's public policies, in terms of reduction of inequalities, preservation of social cohesion and promotion of a middle class. Proposals have been made in order to improve the process of creation and distribution of national wealth.

What levers to build a strategy of Morocco's Label?

The report of the second phase of this study has been dedicated to the examination of some international experiences of developed and emerging countries, with view to the setting of their nation branding, in order to deduce useful lessons to Morocco.

IRES Watch

Training session on the deep web

IRES has organized 28 September 2015, a training session in order to strengthen the capacities of its staff members in terms of appropriation of tools and technics for identifying and collecting information on the deep web.

Advanced watch system

Within the framework of the strengthening of its advanced watch system, work meetings were held on September 29, 2015, to enrich the scientific content of reports related to the Strategic Watch Domains of the Institute, at the national and international levels.



Webographic watch bulletins for September and October 2015

The September and October 2015 issues of the "webographic watch bulletin", available on the website of the Institute, present summaries of several prospective reports. These reports tackle various issues, such as: inclusive growth, cyber security, open data, clean energy.

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IRES.Forum

What prospects of the European Neighborhood Policy amidst regional and international mutations?



Organized in partnership with the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, on September 10, 2015, this meeting lies within the reflection launched by the European Commission on the reform of the European Neighbourhood Policy. It highlighted the new issues and challenges facing the euro-Mediterranean, the efficiency of

regional cooperation tools as well as the prospects of the new framework of partnership between Europe and its south Mediterranean partners.

Russia's future amidst regional and international geopolitical mutations



This conference-debate, which is part of the exchange with foreign think tanks to deepen reflection on strategic issues, has been facilitated, on September 22, 2015, by Dr. Ulf SVERDRUP, Director General of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs. It was an opportunity to favour cross views on recent developments of the

political and economic situation in Russia, the prospects for its relations with the West and the Russian strategy in the Middle East.

The new emerging security issues in the Mediterranean



IRES and the Mediterranean Foundation for Strategic Studies organized October 1st, 2015, a meeting at which experts from both institutions shared their views on the new security challenges in the Mediterranean and examined the cooperation mechanisms at bilateral and multilateral level, which are likely to cope with these

challenges.

The security situation in the MENA region: challenges and prospects



This theme has been discussed during the conference facilitated on October 19, 2015, by General Thomas BECKETT, Chief Adviser of the British Ministry of Defence for North Africa and the Middle East and Mrs. Karen Betts, UK Ambassador to Morocco. This meeting shed light on the

regional security situation and its prospects as well as the levers to strengthen cooperation between the two Kingdoms, including the security field.

Morocco's energy transition amidst new geopolitics of energy



This seminar, held on October 28, 2015, was devoted to the discussion of the findings of the study mentioned above, to which took part a panel of senior officials in the public and private sectors as well as national and international experts on energy issues.

IRES.Cooperations



Work meeting with a delegation of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)

A delegation from the Ministry of Defence of the UAE, conducted on September 3, 2015, a working visit to IRES in order to inquire about the experience of the Institute in the area of strategic analysis and foresight watch.

Contribution of IRES to the project Atlantic Future of the German Marshal Fund

IRES has achieved a policy paper which emphasized the weight of the Atlantic in the global geostrategic balances and sets out some avenues for reflection likely to help rally the potential for cooperation within the wider Atlantic space. The paper also highlighted Morocco's contribution to developing cooperation in the Atlantic space.

Work Meetings

Visit to IRES of the Ambassador of Italy to Morocco



During a visit to IRES, His Excellency Roberto NATALI, Ambassador of Italy to Morocco, was received on September 21, 2015, by the Director General of the Institute. The exchanges covered the recent developments of the situation in the Euro-Mediterranean neighborhood and the prospects of strengthening bilateral cooperation

between Morocco and Italy.

Visit to IRES of the Chargé d'affaires of the Embassy of Guinea Bissau in Morocco

Mr. Armando ALBINO ARAFA, Chargé d'Affaires of the Embassy of Guinea Bissau in Morocco, visited IRES on October 9, 2015. The discussions focused on the recent developments of the situation in Africa and the prospects of strengthening bilateral cooperation between Morocco and Guinea Bissau.

Agenda

Seminar "For a stronger cultural diplomacy"

November 2, 2015

Joint meeting IRES-German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA) "The German Middle East policy after-reunification: How much continuity? How much change?"

November 4, 2015

Seminar dedicated to the presentation and discussion of the book "Geopolitic of wheat: a vital product to global security"

November 12, 2015



International Colloquium on "The strategic issues of maritime spaces"

November 30, 2015

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