

News Letter

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Launch of the second edition of the national survey on Morocco's social

IRES has launched the second national survey on Morocco's social bond after that of 2011, in order to establish an updated radioscopy of the Moroccan society so as to contribute to the enlightenment of the Kingdom's public policies.

Publication of the proceedings of the international meeting on geostrategic issues of maritime areas

IRES published the proceedings of this international meeting, which examined the issues of Maritimes spaces at the economic, security, environmental and legal levels, with emphasis on the Mediterranean and the Atlantic.

IRES.Think tank

Launch of a study on Morocco's relations with the countries of Northern Europe

This study aims to examine the current situation and prospects of Morocco's relations with the countries of Northern Europe in their multiple dimensions and to propose foreign policy actions that can improve the Kingdom's overall positioning within this region.

Recent developments in the issue of Moroccan Sahara

IRES has launched this study in order to examine the national question of Sahara, taking into account recent developments of the external context, in terms of opportunities and risks, and propose some strategic action in order to strengthen the Kingdom's position with regard to its legitimate rights in its southern provinces.

IRES Watch



Webographic watch bulletin for March and April 2016

The March and April 2016 editions 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: the climate-smart agriculture, bio-energy, sustainable development objectives, ecosystems....

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Women and men in the Quran: what equality?

The round table of March 10, 2016, which was dedicated to the presentation and the discussion of the book mentioned above, focused on relational ethics between men and women in Muslim society based upon the principals Quran.

New security challenges in Africa



This theme has been discussed during the round table facilitated on March 11, 2016, by Mr. Cheikh Tidiane GADIO, President of the Pan African Institute for Strategies. Besides the keys to understand the security situation in Africa, discussions focused on the effectiveness of initiatives implemented to deal with the terrorist threat and the

required levers to restore peace and security in the continent.

What prospects of strengthening Morocco-United Kingdom relations within a globalized world?



Her Excellency Mrs. Karen BETTS, Ambassador of the United Kingdom to Morocco facilitated at IRES a conference-debate, on April 12, 2016, which shed light on the current state of cooperation between the two kingdoms and the prospects of its strengthening at bilateral and multilateral levels.

IRES.Cooperations

Participation of IRES to the Crans Montana Forum-Dakhla 2016



Partner of the second edition of the Crans Montana Forum held in Dakhla, March 17-22 2016, IRES participated actively in the work of the Forum, through the co-chairmanship of its Director General, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, of the session on energy security in Africa, and the animation by Mr. Said MOUFTI, Director of research, of a round table which was

devoted to shed a light on the potential of cooperation between the two sides of the South Atlantic

IRES participation to the second edition of the conference "Knowledge storm coalition"



IRES took part to the conference organized, on March 28, 2015 in Bahrein, by ISA Cultural Center, through a communication of its General Director, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, which highlighted the foundations of the multidimensional approach adopted by Morocco in the security field.

Adaptation to climate change at the heart of COP 22 in Marrakech



As part of the 4th seminar Pre Cop 22, organized on April 13, 2016, by the Ribat Al Fath Association for Sustainable Development on the issue of adaptation to climate change, the Director General of IRES delivered a communication, which highlighted the global issue of climate change and emphasized the different types of Morocco's vulnerability to

this global phenomenon, focusing primarily on the issue of adaptation to climate change.

Africa and sustainable development: Reconciling environment and development?



IRES took part on April 13, 2016, to the 3rd edition of the Rabat conference on sustainable development, through a communication of its Director General, at the opening session, which stressed the main challenges facing Africa's sustainable development and the current and potential contribution of Morocco to the sustainable development

effort in Africa.

IRES Conference at the Norwegian Institute of International Relations



IRES Director General, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, facilitated, April 21, 2016 at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) in Oslo, a conference that shed light on the major reforms undertaken by Morocco on the political, economic, social, societal and environmental levels as well as the foundations of the Kingdom's foreign policy,

especially in its African and Euro-Mediterranean dimension.

Work Meetings

Visit to IRES of the Under-Secretary of State for foreign affairs of Poland



Her Excellency Mrs. Joanna WRONECKA, Under-Secretary of foreign affairs of Poland, accompanied by Mr. Marek ZUOKOVSKI, Poland' Ambassador to Morocco, visited IRES on March 7, 2016. The discussions concerned the geopolitical trends in the MENA region, the migration crisis in Europe as well as the recent developments of

Morocco's situation at the political, economic and societal levels.

Interviews with a representative of the Islamic Studies Centre relevant to the University of Oslo

Mr. Brynjar LIA, Expert affiliated to the Centre of Islamic Studies at the University of Oslo, met on March 8, 2016 at the headquarters of IRES with Mr. Said MOUFTI, Director of research at IRES, to discuss the threats of the rising extremist movements and the necessary levers to counter them.



Visit of a high-level Chinese delegation to IRES

Accompanied by a high-level delegation, HE Mr. Liu HONGCAI, Vice Minister of International Liaison Department of the Chinese Communist Party, was received on March 23, 2016, by Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, IRES' Director

General. Discussions held focused on recent developments of the geopolitical situation in the MENA region and its prospects and on Morocco's contribution to the promotion of peace and security both regionally and internationally.

Agenda

International meeting on "What policies for adaption to climate change and reduction of the ecological footprint of the planet?"

May 2016

Joint meeting IRES-United Nations on "Sustainable development goals: what achievements amidst climate change challenges?"

May 2016

Ambassador debate-cycle

June 2016

International Foresight Panel

July 2016

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