Asia-Pacific dynamics and its impact on global balances: what effects on Morocco?

IRES has finalized the report of the study mentioned above, which shed light on the implications of geostrategic dynamics of the Asia-Pacific on Morocco’s international positioning and proposed some policy options to allow Morocco to anticipate these changes.

Relations between Morocco and Mauritania

The final report of this study examined the reality of cooperation between Morocco and Mauritania and the prospects of its development, taking into account key mutations occurring at the international and regional levels.

The study on economic diplomacy of Morocco

The report of the first phase of this study aims to establish an overview of the Morocco’s economic diplomacy, through reference to some successful international experiences.

The relations between Morocco and South and East Africa countries

The preliminary report of this study was devoted to the analysis of relations between Morocco and South and East Africa countries, on political and economic levels. It also focused on the review of the perception of Morocco’s image in these two sub-regions.

Launch of a study “Inequalities and social cohesion in Morocco: challenges and public policy orientations”

This second study of IRES on inequalities aims to examine the effectiveness of public policies of Morocco, in terms of reduction of inequalities, preservation of social cohesion and promotion of a middle class. The study will be dedicated, also, to make some policy proposals in order to improve the process of creation and distribution of national wealth.
Morocco, an emerging country?
IRES launched this study with the objective to establish a diagnosis of Morocco’s performances compared to emerging countries and to propose relevant public policies so as to accelerate the process of emergence of Morocco and to improve its international positioning.

Panorama of Morocco in the world
IRES has achieved the 2015 strategic report of reference, titled “Panorama of Morocco in the world” and devoted to major transitions. Strategic analysis of the changing international and regional context shed light on Morocco Tomorrow, based upon the Orientations of His Majesty The King Mohammed VI.

Webographic watch bulletins for November and December 2014
The November and December 2014 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: scientific research and innovation, climate change, social inequalities, sustainable development...

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What prospects for the European policy of Norway?
This theme has been discussed during the conference facilitated by His Excellency Mr Are-Jostein Norheim, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Norway in Morocco, on December 4, 2014, which highlighted the main priorities of Norway, a country whose situation towards the European Union is similar to that of Morocco. Were also discussed, the prospects of cooperation between Morocco and Norway on political, economic and social levels.

Croatia: new Member State of the European Union
The conference facilitated on November 11, 2014, by His Excellency Mr. Zvonimir FRKA PETESIC, Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia in Morocco, focused on the assessment of the first year of membership of Croatia to the European Union. The conference stressed the reality of relations between Morocco and Croatia and the prospects of their development in areas of common interest, including the regulatory convergence where the experience of Croatia is relevant.
**Extra-financial assessment of intangible capital assets of Morocco**

As part of the analysis of emerging concepts, IRES organized two study days on 20-21 November 2014, dedicated to examine Morocco’s strengths and weaknesses under the main components of its intangible assets, including human capital, structural capital, knowledge and technological capital, cultural and historical capital, partner capital, as well as organizational capital and Nation Brand.

**Asia-Pacific dynamics and its impact on global balances: what effects on Morocco?**

The seminar, held on December 5, 2014, emphasized the geopolitical and geo-economic issues related to the centrality of the Asia-Pacific and its effects on the international and regional positioning of Morocco.

**Morocco’s relations with Mauritania: current situation and perspectives**

The seminar dedicated to the presentation of the findings of this study, held on December 11, 2014, analyzed the main dimensions of cooperation between Morocco and Mauritania on the political, diplomatic, economic and socio-cultural levels as well as actions required to establish these relations on a strong and sustainable basis.

**Morocco - North America relations: achievements and prospects for strengthening**

The seminar of December 25, 2014 was devoted to the presentation of the results of the study mentioned above. It focused on the examination of Morocco’s relations with United States, Canada and Mexico and on the identification of the strengths and weaknesses of Morocco’s positioning within North American region.

**Mission to Spain**

A Moroccan delegation composed of representatives of IRES and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, visited Spain on November 7, 2014. Discussions were held respectively with the President of the El Cano Royal Institute of International and Strategic Studies and the Director of the High Commission of the Government for the "Marca España". It has focused on the Spanish experience in establishing its country brand as well as on the device dedicated to monitor and analyze Spain international image.

**Multinational Development Policy Dialogue**

The Director General of the Institute, Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE, took part in the round table of experts organized by the "Multinational Development Policy Dialogue" under the Konrad Adenauer Foundation held in Brussels on November 13, 2014, through a communication on the progress made by Morocco in its transition to democracy and building of its development project.

IRES presented a communication on November 28, 2014, at the forum organized by the Union of Chambers of Commerce of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), which highlighted the role of Africa as an area of projection of cooperation between Morocco and GCC countries as well as the required strategic levers to grasp the various opportunities arising from this cooperation.

The International Forum on Peace and Security in Africa

The Institute has participated in the Forum mentioned above, which took place on 15-16 December 2014 in Dakar, through a communication of Mr. Said MOUFTI, Director of Research at IRES, on the specifics of the Moroccan approach of cooperation with African countries and the prospects of its strengthening.

Participation of IRES to the study sessions on economic intelligence

IRES took part in the study days organized by the Direction General of National Security, on December 17-18, 2014, through a communication of the Institute, which highlighted the specifics of IRES’s foresight watch system and the contribution of the latter to enlightening Morocco’s strategic choices.

Visit of a delegation of the French Development Agency

IRES received on November 13, 2014, a delegation of the French Development Agency, headed by Mr. Eric BAULARD, Director of the Agency in Morocco. Discussions were focused on Morocco’s African policy.

Meeting with the Director General of Casa Arabe at IRES

The Director General of IRES Mr. Mohammed Tawfik MOULINE received on November 25, 2014, Ambassador Eduardo LOPEZ BUSQUESTS, President of Casa Arabe. This visit was an occasion to explore opportunities for collaboration between IRES and Casa Arabe in areas of common interest, mainly in the area of sociopolitical mutations occurring in the Arab world.

Work meeting with a German delegation

A German delegation composed of Ms. Sigrid FAATH and Mr. Hanspeter MATTES, respectively from the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP) and the German Institute for Foreign Relations (GIGA), visited IRES on December 2nd, 2014. Discussions emphasized on recent developments of Morocco’s political and economic situation and the actions undertaken by the Kingdom on regional and national levels.
Visit of a delegation of the Alliance of Civilizations

A work meeting took place in IRES on December 18, 2014, with a delegation of the Alliance of Civilizations, composed of young leaders from Europe and America. During this visit, a presentation was moderated by Mr. Said MOUFTI, Director of Research at IRES, on the progress made by Morocco at the political, economic, social and institutional level as well as the assets that the country holds in order to address key challenges of the international context.

Agenda

Seminar on foresight watch and strategic thinking
January 7, 2015

Seminar "Nation Brand"
January 14, 2015

Seminar “The relations between Morocco and countries of Southern and Eastern Africa”
January 19, 2015

Seminar of discussion of the preliminary findings of the study on " Morocco facing the rise of two transnational threats: terrorism and organized crime"
January 29, 2015

Seminar “Inequalities and social cohesion in Morocco: challenges and public policy orientations"
February 12, 2015

Seminar “What levers to strengthen Morocco’s economic diplomacy?”
February 26, 2015