



Press release

2024 Paris Peace Forum Spring Meeting to take place for the first time on the African continent, in Morocco, in partnership with Mohammed VI Polytechnic University

Paris, France – April 18, 2024 - The Paris Peace Forum is pleased to announce that its 2024 Spring Meeting will be held on June 10 in Benguerir, Morocco, hosted by the prestigious University Mohammed VI Polytechnic (UM6P).

"Hosting the Spring Meeting in Benguerir, Morocco, marks a significant milestone for the Paris Peace Forum as it will be our first event abroad – and for this special occasion, we chose the African continent," said **Justin Vaïsse, Director General of the Paris Peace Forum**. "This Spring meeting underscores our commitment to fostering North-South dialogue and cooperation to tackle the greatest challenges of our time, and we are delighted to partner with UM6P for this endeavor."

Since its inception in 2018, the Paris Peace Forum has been a pivotal platform for global governance solutions, convening states and non-state actors to address pressing global challenges.

The Spring Meeting will bring together diverse stakeholders from around the world, including representatives from States and governments, international organizations, civil society and the private sector, to focus on the shared North-South objective of "**Fair Transitions**". This initiative seeks to address the urgent need for equitable and sustainable transitions amidst a backdrop of geopolitical tensions, widening inequalities, and environmental crises.

The program will feature live-streamed sessions with renowned experts and thematic closed-door meetings addressing topics such as climate finance and development, energy transition, agricultural transitions in Africa, nutrition, and global health equity. The Paris Peace Forum and Mohammed VI Polytechnic University are happy to organize some of the event sessions in collaboration with the [Mo Ibrahim Foundation](#). UM6P's state-of-the-art Benguerir campus will serve as the host venue for this momentous event.

"We are convinced that "Fair Transitions" are the key to sustainable and inclusive development in Africa and around the world," said Hicham El Habi, President of UM6P. "By hosting the next Spring Meeting of the Paris Peace Forum, we reaffirm our commitment to working towards constructive dialogue and build a better and resilient future for all. UM6P is fully mobilized to make this event unique and a source of concrete solutions for our countries and societies." "UM6P is a Moroccan university focusing on developing solutions to specific continental and more broadly global challenges. UM6P is oriented towards education and research, with strong links to industry, business, and innovation. The university commits itself to empowering a new generation of talents that will build and lead the future of Africa.

UM6P's collaboration with the Paris Peace Forum goes beyond hosting its Spring Meeting, as the university is also joining the Forum's governance as a new member of its General Assembly. This partnership further solidifies the commitment of both organizations to promoting cooperation and dialogue, necessary for driving positive change on the African continent and beyond.

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