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His Majesty the King Mohammed VI, may God glorify and assist him.
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EDITORIAL

In a world of ever-changing socio-economic conditions, we long for a better future in Morocco and worldwide, focusing particularly on Africa where our concrete actions span multiple areas of growth. Crossroads of civilizations, the African continent offers a fertile ground to sow the seeds of success.

2016 was a demonstration of our dedication to Africa, reflected in our commitment, sharing and action.

Mindful of the social issues at stake, we have developed innovative strategies and programs based on equal opportunities, that guarantee a fair-go for all, an inclusive and sustainable approach that meets the challenges of today.

The values of solidarity and sharing are deep-rooted in our foundation. In 2016, our synergy-promoting initiative was further strengthened through several partnerships with key associations and institutions. Such collective journey has allowed us to launch and support projects that serve the local communities.

Our actions are inspired by a promising future and draw on the human capital contribution to development, revolving mainly around five major themes: Agricultural Development, Reflection and Strategy, Economic and Social Development, Preservation of National and Cultural Heritage, and Training and Research.

Today, we are proud to have honoured our commitment, thanks to our partner’s efforts and hence, we are delighted to share our 2016 achievements in this report.
Our civic engagement blends progress and sustainability to ensure a permanent development. In doing so, the OCP Foundation promotes «working together» and walks alongside the local partners and key players in their entrepreneurial dynamism.

**SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION**

Being a network that is open to the world, we encourage initiatives and exchanges in many African countries, including Ethiopia, Togo, Madagascar and Gambia, in addition to Asian countries such as India and Bangladesh.

**TOWARDS A NEW DIMENSION...**

**SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE**

Justice and equity are the two key words that define our actions, underpinned by an ethical will to promote the ability to live together. Our duty towards communities is to facilitate access to knowledge, employment, health care and culture.

**A SUSTAINABLE AND PARTICIPATORY APPROACH**

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AND BECAUSE EVERY DAY IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WRITE A BETTER FUTURE, IN 2016 WE HAVE ...

LAUNCHED NEW PROJECTS IN AFRICA

In Ethiopia, Gambia, Madagascar, Togo and Guinea.
The OCP Foundation strives to translate the social and societal vision of the OCP Group into concrete actions. Keen on achieving our civic mission, we help create better conditions to improve the lives of thousands of beneficiaries in Morocco and worldwide, as part of the South-South Cooperation.

**2016 KEY FIGURES**

- **350,000** Beneficiaries
- **16,000** Students from public institutions are beneficiaries of cultural and arts education projects
- **1,671** Project holders / entrepreneurs assisted and trained
- **497** Jobs created
- **105,000** Beneficiary farmers in Morocco and abroad
- **21,200** Beneficiaries of medical caravans
- **1,000** Scholarships granted
- **25% to 60%** of improved productivity across 30 crop varieties for more than 9,860 small farms in Morocco
- **35% to 51%** Improved productivity for 9,000 small farmers abroad
- **16,000** Local, national and international partners
- **44,000** Beneficiaries of the Culture and Heritage program
- **65%** Of beneficiaries are from rural areas
- **70%** Of beneficiaries are women and children
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**OUR MISSION**

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THE OCP FOUNDATION WORKS ON DIFFERENT LEVELS, IN AFRICA AND WORLDWIDE, TO IMPLEMENT A COMPLEMENTARY AND INFORMED APPROACH TO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.
TO ILLUSTRATE OUR COMMITMENT TO AFRICA, WE DECIDED THIS YEAR TO USE THE ADINKRA SYMBOLS.

Adinkra are symbols that originated in Ghana and Cote d'Ivoire to communicate different aspects of life. Some of these visual elements, illustrated below, reflect our values and identity.
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

To help small farmers overcome the challenges they face, we contribute to promoting the best agricultural practices, disseminating innovative sector-based technologies, building capacity and enhancing products.
HIGHLIGHTS

> Expanding the scope of action in Africa by involving more partner countries and extending more offerings

> Nation-wide territorial approach
COMMITTED TO AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION
• 109 demonstration plots set up and monitored to promote best agricultural practices.
• 124 training days on techniques of planting and rationally fertilizing different crop varieties.

from 25% to 60% IMPROVED PRODUCTIVITY

9860 DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

CONFERENCE
• Organization of the International Conference on Pulses in partnership with INRA-Morocco and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

447 PARTICIPANTS from 34 countries, including 11 African countries.

OCP CEREALS AND PULSES CARAVAN

Launching of an agricultural caravan that toured 7 agricultural regions in Morocco over 14 stages:
• Facilitation of 70 thematic workshops for a close exchange with beneficiaries and the dissemination of good practices related to the cultivation of cereals and legumes;
• Introduction to the efficient use of water resources;
• Radio broadcast of advice and good agricultural practices.

4900 CASES OF SOIL ANALYSIS for small farmers

5800 DIRECT BENEFICIARIES of awareness sessions of good practices in the production and marketing.

«Thanks to OCP Agricultural Caravans, I found out about rational fertilization and learned a lot about good agricultural practices. This has radically changed my way of work and helped me raise my productivity.»

Ahmed, small cereal farmer in Rhamna region.
INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

MOROCCO

HELICICULTURE

- Strengthen the technical and commercial capabilities of cooperatives;
- Enhance snail farming and their derivative products;
- Assist in export promotion and marketing;
- Set up 5 drylots.

BENEFICIARIES

- 54 BENEFICIARIES
- 3 BENEFICIARY AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES
- 3 RURAL COMMUNITIES IN SAFI
- 3 YEARS 2016 - 2018

Partners:
- Provincial Department of Agriculture of Safi
- Inter-Professional Federation of Agriculture

CAPER PRODUCTION

- Strengthen the technical capabilities of farmers through trainings;
- Strengthen the professional agricultural organizations in enhancing the production of capers, including the storage, the quality standards and the related products;
- Ensure production concentration to facilitate the marketing of products through «Al Khadraa» cooperative.

BENEFICIARIES

- 227 BENEFICIARIES
- 5 BENEFICIARY AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES
- 3 RURAL VILLAGES IN SAFI
- 3 YEARS 2016 - 2018

Partners:
- Provincial Department of Agriculture of Safi
- Technical Agricultural Institute (ITA) Jmaa Shaim.

FIG TREE DEVELOPMENT

- Plant fig trees over an area of 300 hectares;
- Train 10 farming technicians and over 100 farmers on good agricultural practices and management of fig tree orchards;
- Provide cooperatives with appropriate equipments;
- Gather 5 cooperatives under one Economic Interest Group.

BENEFICIARIES

- 3 000 BENEFICIARIES
- 5 BENEFICIARY AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES
- 5 RURAL VILLAGES IN EL JADIDA REGION
- 5 YEARS 2015 - 2018

Partners:
- National Institute of Agronomic Research;
- International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas;
- Hassan II Institute of Agronomy & Veterinary Medicine.

GOAT FARMING

- Deliver trainings to promote the techniques of conservation agriculture and direct seeding;
- Plant crops through the direct seeding method over an area of 354 hectares;
- Boost goat farming profitability: Buy and distribute goats for breeding;
- Set up a cheese making room to enhance the production of goat milk;
- Develop and implement a marketing strategy for the «Bladi» cooperative.

BENEFICIARIES

- 354 BENEFICIARIES
- 1 BENEFICIARY WOMEN-LED AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE
- 7 RURAL VILLAGES IN RHAMNA REGION
- 4 YEARS 2015 - 2018

Partners:
- Provincial Department of Agriculture in Rhamna;
- Provincial Committee for Human Development in Rhamna;

THE MOROCCAN-INDIAN INITIATIVE FOR THE REHABILITATION OF FOOD LEGUMES

- Promote good agricultural practices through 82 demonstration plots;
- Develop technologies to be used by professional agricultural organizations;
- Enhance the production of pulses through the purchase of 3 seed treatment and packaging units;
- Conduct consumer-focused awareness campaigns highlighting the benefits of legumes;

BENEFICIARIES

- 3 000 BENEFICIARIES
- 5 BENEFICIARY AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES
- 5 REGIONS
- 6 YEARS 2013 - 2018

Partners:
- Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries;
- Regional Agricultural Development Office of Doukkala;
- Provincial Committee for Human Development in El Jadida.
INTERNATIONAL INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

8,200 BENEFICIARIES
5 PARTNER COUNTRIES
3 PROJECTS

- Support for two vegetable cooperatives through trainings, provision of agricultural equipment and field coaching.

« We learned a great deal from the Moroccan agricultural expertise through trainings delivered in soil fertility and crop fertilization. The experience has clearly contributed to the successful conclusion of the fertility mapping project of the Malagasy soils. »
Norbert, senior officer at the Ministry of Agriculture of Madagascar.

GAMBIA
- Organization of an agricultural caravan tour about cotton, corn, rice and vegetable production
- Mapping of an agricultural pilot land of more than 100,000 hectares.

GUINEA (CONAKRY)
- Implementation of TEFF cultivation development project throughout the value chain.

ETHIOPIA
- Capacity building in soil fertility and mapping in favour of the staff of the Ministry of Agriculture.
- Strengthening of Analysis laboratory facilities.

MADAGASCAR
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GUINEA
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TOGO
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- Strengthening of Analysis laboratory facilities.
CONSTRUCTIVE MEASURES TO MONITOR PRODUCTION CHAINS IN ASIA

- Research and development:
  - Develop and improve seeds
  - Rational fertilization
- Transfer of technologies and exchange of expertise:
  - Facilitate access to agricultural inputs
  - Facilitate access to farm mechanization
- Farm Advisory Services:
  - Establishment of two call centers
  - Launching of an application for Android
- Capacity Building:
  - Production assessment
  - Establishment of agricultural centers

BANGLADESH

- Partnership launched between OCP SA, the OCP Foundation, the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) and the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Area (ICARDA);
- Implementation of a local agricultural development project aimed at improving the productivity of rice, maize, potatoes, legumes and wheat.

INDIA

- Training days targeting 15,100 farmers;
- Installation of more than 3,000 demonstration plots;
- Development of an application - «Krishi Gyan» - for the promotion of good agricultural practices;
- Establishment of a professional federation of more than 7,000 farmers;
- Establishment of 3 agribusiness and human development centers specialized in seed production, beekeeping, horticulture and goat farming.
Mindful of the social issues, OCP Foundation extends its support to the disadvantaged groups. Our programs focus on women, children and youth to address their needs in terms of education, health and employability.
HIGHLIGHTS

> INVOLVEMENT OF LOCAL ACTORS IN THE DEPLOYMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF TERRITORIAL PROJECTS
EMPLOYABILITY

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT IN SAFI AND EL JADIDA

- Fund and support local partner associations and develop the skills of their staff and volunteers;
- 75 projects launched with partner associations eligible for support from OCP Foundation.

- 60 beneficiary ASSOCIATIONS in Safi
- 50 beneficiary ASSOCIATIONS in El Jadida
- 82 PROJECT mid-term recruitments (65% through fixed-term contracts, 23% through permanent contracts)
- 809 trained YOUNGSTERS

- I joined the Center in September 2016. The orientation program helped me decide which career path I wanted for myself. I also received a training in soft skills and coaching through internship and work placement. The personal development sessions helped me gain more confidence in my abilities. I am currently an account manager in an Islamic financial institution.»

Hajar, a young member of the Rhamna Skills Centre.

SKILLS CENTERS PROGRAMS

Khouribga, Youssoufia, Benguerir
- Sharpen the youth skills and capabilities for a better insertion in the labor market;
- Strengthen the capabilities of the local associations primarily involved in education, activities and local development.

- 81 ASSOCIATIONS coached through the implementation of their projects
- 26 CULTURAL events hosted
- ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT positive outputs ending by an employment and/or training with a high integration rate.

The Skills Centers prepare the candidates to join several partner training institutions, namely the Moroccan Institute of Aeronautics, the Abulcasis International University of Health Sciences and the Academy of Large Vehicles and Commercial Vehicles (AGEVEC).
ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

MEDICAL CARAVANS
Improve access to healthcare by providing medical services to vulnerable and disadvantaged communities.

28 MEDICAL CARAVANS launched
1081 SURGERIES performed: cosmetic (Hare lip), pediatric and cataract

28 000 BENEFICIARIES

PROGRAM FOR IMPROVING SUPPORT TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
Establishing a rehabilitation center in Khouribga in partnership with the AMH Group and Noor Center in Casablanca, to respond to the needs of persons with disabilities and help them overcome the challenges of disability.

28 PARAMEDICAL staff trained
247 SPONSORED children
1270 CHILD beneficiaries

“... It is only by the arrival of OCP Foundation medical caravan to our region, I was diagnosed with cataract. They immediately operated me, and that is how I was saved from losing eyesight! Thank God I am not blind now.”

Aïcha, from Fquih ben Salah town.
SCHOLARSHIPS

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Establishing several merit-based scholarship programs to help students from disadvantaged backgrounds to access excellent education.

- 408 Scholarships granted by the Grandes Écoles Françaises in partnership with the MENFP*
- 198 Scholarships granted by Benguerir High School of Excellence (LYDEX)
- 159 Scholarships granted by Mohammed VI Polytechnic University (UM6P)
- 163 Scholarships granted by OCP Foundation through the Moroccan Foundation for Students (FME)
- 72 Scholarships granted by Abulcasis Health Sciences International University (UIASS)

ACCESS TO EDUCATION

Developing a governance model aimed at sponsoring 20 public schools in partnership with the Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training.

- 2500 Beneficiaries
- 10 School Buses
- 1650 Bicycles
- 10 Preschool Classes
- 21 Academic Support Classes

* Ministry of National Education and Professional Training

Omar, scholarship holder of Benguerir High School of Excellence

« During my last year in high school, I wanted to study at the Preparatory Classes of Benguerir High School of Excellence. My family did not have the sufficient means to finance my studies. After graduation, I submitted my application and the scholarship granted by the Foundation has simply changed my life! I was able to fulfill my dream! »

Omar, scholarship holder of Benguerir High School of Excellence
Encouraging entrepreneurship and innovation falls within our priorities.

We develop introduction to entrepreneurship projects and provide support and coaching to startups and micro-enterprises, thus creating new opportunities for sustainable employment.
HIGHLIGHTS

> THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP OFFERINGS IN THE DIFFERENT SKILLS CENTERS
INTRODUCTION TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP

STARTUP MOROCCO ROADSHOW

• Annual tours in 12 Moroccan cities to raise awareness and introduce entrepreneurship, primarily through the Startup Weekend competitions;
• Cultivate an entrepreneurial spirit amongst young people to move from ideation to conceptualization then prototyping through an intensive and interactive BootCamp over 54 hours;
• Winners at the Startup Weekend participated in the «StartUp Istanbul», the largest start-up conference in Eurasia and the MENA region.

2800
YOUNG persons trained and coached

635
STARTUPS ideas

200
TEAMS trained
SUPPORT, INCUBATION AND ACCELERATION

(Non-exhaustive list of projects)

Develop and Revive Co-working Spaces

- Revive the entrepreneurship spirit by developing co-working spaces that promote collaborative work among entrepreneurs, particularly through digitization;
- Coaching and training entrepreneurs in the local entrepreneurship landscape;
- Opening of the «New Work Lab Khouribga» co-working space, and considering the opportunity to open a space in another city.

Support Program to Micro-enterprise Owners in Youssoufia

This program aims at assisting and launching enterprises and strengthening their capabilities through interest-free loans granted to micro-enterprises. The program also includes awareness raising campaigns, project planning, coaching and support in early stages, particularly through the Nucleus approach.

Promotion of Female Entrepreneurship in El Jadida through El Jadida Women Pioneer Incubator

- OCP Foundation supports female entrepreneurship by providing incubation services to women-owned businesses;
- The program involves setting up a workspace, extending support at the pre-seed and seed stages including access to a professional support network and to new markets;
- Since its inception and through the second half of 2016, the project raised awareness about entrepreneurship among 20 women, 10 of whom were selected to join the Incubator and 9 supported through the pre-incubation stage.

Rahma, business owner, El Jadida

« I wanted to start a company specialized in marketing essential oils, but I did not know how to do it. After that I was selected to join the incubator, I received a training in entrepreneurship and was coached throughout the launching of my small enterprise. Thanks to this support, I was able to even exceed the objectives I initially had in mind, especially through the professional network that I had access to. »

3440 PARTICIPANTS in Casablanca

40 YOUNG entrepreneurs and students coached

900 PARTICIPANTS in Khouribga

15 MICRO-ENTERPRISES started and financed through interest-free loans

285 ENTREPRENEURS supported

1363 young persons

16 permanent JOBS created

PARTICIPANTS in Casablanca

YOUNG entrepreneurs and students coached

PARTICIPANTS in Khouribga
FOSTERING SOCIAL AND SOLIDARITY ECONOMY: DIRECT SUPPORT TO COOPERATIVES AND ASSOCIATIONS

HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECOVERY

- Support from the OCP Entrepreneurship Network to cooperatives and associations actively involved in the Social and Solidarity Economy, through the contribution to the sustainable development process in Oued Zem, and the establishment and equipment of a unit for recycling and recovering household waste.
- Contributing to the improvement of the economic and social situation of the youth by creating employment and diversifying local economic activities.

14 JOBS created
513 780 DIRHAMS 2016 turnover

DEVELOPING AND ENHANCING CACTUS PLANTATION IN KHOURIBGA PROVINCE

- Develop the production of cactus and enhance the by-products thereof;
- Certify cactus products and cluster the producing farmers.

40 permanent and 24 seasonal JOBS created
650 000 DIRHAMS of generated sales in 2016

PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL EXHIBITION OF SOCIAL AND SOLIDARITY ECONOMY BY THE COOPERATIVES AND ASSOCIATIONS SUPPORTED BY OCP FOUNDATION

- Participation of 40 cooperatives and partner associations of OCP Foundation in the Exhibition themed «The Social Economy: Lever of Regional Development»;
- Bring greater visibility to our partners, market the local products of the different Moroccan regions and close deals with new customers.

3 prizes awarded to the partners for the «Best Local Product»:
- Al Mouhite Pottery Cooperative of Safi;
- Al Azhar beekeeping cooperative of Khouribga;
- Agricultural cooperative for the production and marketing of organic mushrooms.

513 780 DIRHAMS 2016 turnover
CULTURE AND HERITAGE

With a view to promoting culture and heritage, we seek to deliver projects of great arts and cultural importance, and to preserve and enhance our heritage.
HIGHLIGHTS

> ETHIOPIA IN THE SPOTLIGHT
> OPENING OF KHOURIBGA MEDIA LIBRARY
> PROMOTING THE HERITAGE OF CERAMICS
ETHIOPIA
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Support and organize events to promote African cultural and artistic creations, while strengthening the privileged ties between Morocco and its African neighbors. The country in the spotlight for 2016 was Ethiopia:

• Support the 19th edition of the Khouribga African Film Festival, benefiting from national and international logistical and media support;
• Organize an event to celebrate the Ethiopian art through an interview with Aida Muluneh, artist and director of the Museum of Modern Art in Addis Ababa;
• Host the Contemporary Art Exhibition of Africa within the Khouribga media library, showcasing 35 works by 24 artists from different African countries.

“First time I visited the Khouribga media library was with my schoolmates. We participated in several workshops and browsed through all the spaces. I was mostly impressed by the library where I stumbled upon «The Little Prince» for the first time, a book that I liked after only reading the first few lines. Since that day, I often go back to explore and read more books.”
Mehdi, student from Khouribga.

AFRICAN CULTURES

STUDENTS participating from 20 African countries
WORKS by 24 artists from 8 African countries

48
35

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CULTURE

KHOURIBGA MEDIA LIBRARY

- Opening of the Khouribga Media Library to ensure the inclusion of the local population through introduction to cultural life;
- A rich and diversified cultural program adapted to different audiences.

2200 MEMBERSHIPS
in the first 5 months

7000 BENEFICIARIES
from various activities

2900 STUDENTS
from public schools
visited the media library

390 WORKSHOPS
delivered

STREET ART CARAVAN

Artistic and cultural introduction to urban arts by creating mural paintings, hosting «Graffiti Lab» workshops for the students of public institutions and the organization of the «Shibori» workshop for repurposing women’s old fabrics.

19 MURAL PAINTINGS
created

385 BENEFICIARIES
trained (45 local artists, 270 students / 70 women)

STREET THEATER

The «Street Theater» project is an educational tour in street arts. The objective of the project is to introduce, promote and preserve performing arts through training workshops and urban activities.

370 YOUNG
persons trained

20 WORKSHOPS
delivered

60 PARTNER
associations

3000 SPECTATORS/CITY
for the final show
FOSTERING THE ART OF CERAMICS IN MOROCCO

LAYING-OUT OF THE MUSEUM OF POTTERY AND CERAMICS IN MOROCCO

In order to preserve and enhance the heritage of ceramics, OCP Foundation helped develop the Museum to a new space in the City of Arts and Culture, by complying with the international preservation standards. A new modern scenography was chosen to highlight Morocco’s wealth in traditional craftsmanship.

DESIGN AND EXPLORE

Promoting ceramic handcrafts through workshops designed to support and train novice and skilled craftsmen, students and association members in the pottery industry in Safi.

21
BENEFICIARIES
from various activities

16
DAYS
of training

« Since I was a child, I’ve worked in pottery with my father, using traditional methods. When the «Design and Explore» workshop was launched in Safi, I was selected among other young craftsmen to join the training. This helped me learn the modern techniques of the trade. The organizers also helped us market our crafts, which increased our production and sales.»

Hamid, young pottery craftsman, Safi
OCP Foundation also carries out actions through its four affiliates, providing them the necessary tools to fulfill their mission. These actions revolve around fields such as education and Research & Development.
2016 - A YEAR OF CONSOLIDATION, ACHIEVEMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT

- A third year of active involvement that marks a major milestone in the life of OCP Policy Center, which is already reaping the benefits of all the efforts invested, through the establishment of:
  - **A research platform**: The platform achieved a clear quantitative and qualitative progress in its analytical productions, owing to its broad network of high-level experts and academics.
  - **A sharing and debating platform**: The platform is designed to bridge between the researchers’ communities and the decision makers and seeks to promote international cooperation. The OCP Policy Center organized 36 events, took part as partner in 21 conferences and co-organized through Think Tanks and the Civil Society Program (TTSCP) the first edition of Africa Think Tank Conference. Large-scale events have been successfully held and gathered several national and international decision makers and opinion leaders.
  - **A platform for developing and sharpening skills**: As part of its «Public Policy School» offerings, the OCP Policy Center has launched two new long-term programs:
    - The «Advanced Training in Geopolitics and International Relations» and the «Advanced Training in Agricultural Economics and Environment».
    - This year, the 2nd edition of the short training course in «Macroeconomic Analysis of Country Risk» was organized in partnership with the French Development Agency (AFD).

- In 2016, the OCP Policy Center was ranked first in several international indices, including the «Global Go To Think Tank Index Report» by the University of Pennsylvania’s Think Tank and Civil Society Program.
MOHAMMED VI POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF BENGUERIR

Located in the municipality of Benguerir, in the heart of the Green City, Mohammed VI Polytechnic University aspires to become a world-class institution centered on research and innovation.

Founded for research purposes, Mohammed VI Polytechnic University offers an exceptional environment for advanced training and academic excellence. Its operations are built around excellence clusters, able to create synergies.

Being open to the economic world, Mohammed VI Polytechnic University aims to position Morocco as an international innovation platform responding to the major challenges and concerns facing the African continent.

By supporting the training of the next generation of searchers, entrepreneurs, Moroccan and African leaders, Mohammed VI Polytechnic University aims to strengthen the relationship between Morocco, Africa, and the world.

HIGH SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE OF BENGUERIR (LYDEX)

Located in the heart of Mohammed VI Green City in Benguerir, on a surface land of 18 hectares, the High School of Excellence of Benguerir (LYDEX), a boarding school, is a private science and technology institution. It encompasses a vocational secondary school and Preparatory Classes for the Grandes Ecoles in the scientific and technological fields (MPST-PCST-TSI).

Led by the OCP Foundation, LYDEX is the outcome of a partnership with the Ministry of National Education of Vocational Training and the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

Modern equipment is set up to deliver an education that is modern, challenging and open to the world.

Three founding dimensions underpin the functioning of LYDEX:

- An institution of excellence primarily accessible to deserving students;
- A social dimension by allowing access to excellent education to student from disadvantaged areas, based on their academic performance;
- A national dimension given that it covers all regions of Morocco.

LYDEX preparatory classes for prestigious universities system aims to train the national elite in scientific and technological fields.

This multidisciplinary program matches up to the first cycle of higher education and is delivered over two years to prepare the students for the prestigious engineering studies entry tests.

Full or partial scholarships are granted based on the student’s performance and household income.

PHOSPHATE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

- Through a partnership with the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Training, the Fund – which is held by the OCP Foundation and funded by OCP SA - Targets universities and research institutions and is designed to respond to the recommendations of the first national R&D conferences to support research on phosphates.
- The aim is to revitalize the national research on phosphates and to serve as a national driver and global reference in R&D.

533

STUDENTS

as of December 31st, 2016

198

STUDENTS

admitted in 2016
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