



Celebration of World Diabetes Day

Dakhla, on 11, 12 and 13 November 2016

Call of Dakhla 2016

for Mobilization for the implementation of the

**"The International Charter of Rights and Responsibilities of People with Diabetes"
in Africa**

Under the High Patronage of His Majesty the King Mohammed VI, the celebration of World Diabetes Day was held in Dakhla, South Morocco, from 11 to 13 November 2016, under the aegis of the Ministry of Health, The National Council of the National Order of Physicians, the Wali of the Dakhla - Oued Eddahab Region and in collaboration with the International Federation of Diabetes MENA Region, the African Francophone Society of Diabetology and the African Society of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Nutrition.

During this event, a session was devoted to the "Rights of Diabetics in AFRICA and the MENA Region" with the participation of experts and specialists in Diabetology, academics, parliamentarians, lawyers, administrators, journalists, Oulemas, representatives of scientific and civilians societies from Morocco, Africa, Europe and the Mena Region.

At the end of the session, held in a Moroccan and African city, the participants decided to launch: " The Call of Dakhla 2016 for the mobilization for the implementation of the" International Charter of Rights and Responsibilities of People with Diabetes "in Africa.

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We, the participants in the Dakhla Congress 2016, celebrating the World Diabetes Day, under the High Patronage of His Majesty the King Mohamed VI:

- **Salute** the initiative of the Moroccan League for the Fight against Diabetes, with its Moroccan, African partners the Mena Region, for and having programmed a session on Diabetic Rights in Africa and the MENA Region;

- **Appreciate** the quality of the papers presented, testifying to national, African and international expertise;
- **We look forward** to the holding of the Dakhla congress in conjunction with the "United Nations Climate Change Conference" - Cop 22 - in Marrakech, knowing that climate change has a considerable impact on our environment, our health and a global public health challenge;
- **We commend** the important resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on the control and prevention of non-communicable diseases, including Diabetes;
- **Recall** the importance of the "International Charter of Rights and Responsibilities of People with Diabetes" launched by the International Diabetes Federation in 2011;
- **Emphasize in particular**, the three axes of the Charter, namely the right to health care, the right to information and education, and the right to social justice;
- **We inscribe** in the new African dynamics for the protection of human rights, particularly in economic, social and environmental matters, emphasizing in particular the importance of the Libreville declaration on health and environment in Africa of 2008;
- **Are aware** of the growing magnitude of NCDs, including diabetes in the world and particularly in Africa;
- **Are aware** of the scientifically demonstrated relationship between social inequality and health inequalities suffered by a large part of the African population;
- **Call upon** pan-African bodies, public authorities, parliamentarians, human rights bodies, civil society and the private sector in Africa to actively participate in the mobilization effort to the implementation of the provisions of the "International Charter of Rights and Responsibilities of Persons with Diabetes", adapting its provisions to African reality and specificity;
- **Invite** all parties concerned to engage in concrete initiatives and concerted public policies with effective pan-African legislative, regulatory and operational mechanisms to ensure the protection and promotion of the rights of Diabetics;
- **Encourage** the initiative of the Moroccan League for the Fight against Diabetes and its African partners, with the support of the Moroccan National Council of Human Rights, **for the creation of an African Non-Governmental Observatory in Dakhla, dedicated to the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Diabetics in Africa.**

Dakhla, 13th November 2016