

About the Moroccan American Fulbright Alumni Association

The Moroccan Fulbright Alumni Association (**MFAA**) was created in 2004 to bring together former grantees of **MACECE** through their participation in the Fulbright programs. It has a potential membership of 1700 professionals trained at American universities and active in many fields and disciplines throughout Morocco and the world.

The **MFAA** is a network of Fulbright alumni committed to public service through the multidisciplinary expertise of its members and their roles in academia and in public and private institutions.

The **MFAA** seeks to implement initiatives responding to the challenges facing Morocco's development. Through its annual conferences, the **MFAA** raises awareness of fellow Moroccans on questions of national interest and makes recommendations for solving contemporary political, socio-economic, scientific, and cultural challenges.

Goals and Missions

- **MFAA's** primary goal is to serve as a group of experts who can make meaningful contributions to meet Morocco's development needs.
- The **MFAA** serves as a platform for networking and the exchange of the expertise of its members. The Organization often acts as a sounding board for cultural re-entry upon grantees' return to Morocco.
- The **MFAA** encourages Moroccan Fulbright alumni to act as a bridge between Morocco and the U.S.A., and to contribute to enriching the experience of students, professors, and professionals in Moroccan schools and universities through partnerships with American institutions.
- The **MFAA** organizes social events for the membership and sponsors charity events.

Organizing Committee

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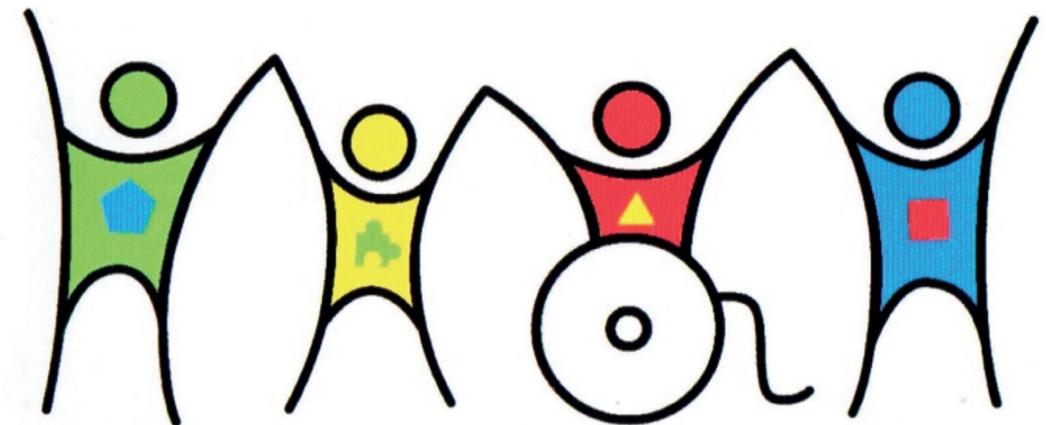
CHALLENGES TO SOCIAL INCLUSION IN MOROCCO

تحديات الاندماج الاجتماعي في المغرب

INCLUSION SOCIALE AU MAROC :
UN DÉFI À RELEVER

December 5th, 2015

National Center for Scientific and Technical Research (CNRST) Rabat



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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

8h30-9h00 **Registration**

9h00-9h45 **Session I. Welcome and Overview of the Conference Agenda**

Session President : Hassan MEKOUAR, founding President of the Moroccan Fulbright Alumni Association (MFAA) and President of the Moroccan-American Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange (MACECE), Rabat

- **Saloua ZERHOUNI**, President of the MFAA, Rabat
- **Matthew LUSSEHOP**, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy, Rabat
- **James MILLER**, Director, MACECE, Rabat

9h45-10h30 **Session II. Keynote Speech**

Session President : Mounia TAGMA, MFAA Vice-President, Rabat

Social Inclusion in U.S. Higher Education: the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Experience
Cynthia WARRICK, Former Interim President of Grambling State University, Louisiana, USA

10h30-11h00 **Coffee Break**

11h00-12h45 **Panel 1. Inclusive Education**

11h00-12h00 **Panel Moderator: Amine BENSAID**,
President, Mundiapolis University, Casablanca

Whose University is it Anyway? Equity Issues in Higher Education in Canada
Maria ASSIF, University of Toronto-Scarborough, Canada

L'Education inclusive et la Qualité dans le discours de la réforme au Maroc :
Questionnements sur les propos de la Vision 2030,
Abdelkader EZZAKI, Faculté des Sciences de l'Éducation, Mohammed V University, Rabat

Inclusive Education for Special Needs Students
Hassan HASSOUD, American Language Center, Casablanca

L'Enseignement inclusif au Maroc: L'Expérience de la coopération internationale des Universités marocaines
Fouad M. AMMOR, Programme Erasmus+

12h00-12h45 **Discussion**



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12h45-14h00 **Lunch Break**

14h00-15h45 **Panel 2. Youth Between Inclusion and Exclusion**

14h00-15h00 **Panel Moderator: Abdellatif FEKKAK**, Directeur de Recherche des Doctorants, ISCAE, Casablanca and MFAA Board Member

Youth in Morocco : Modes and Incentives for their Political Inclusion
Saloua ZERHOUNI, Mohammed V University, Rabat

Cultural Exclusion/Inclusion of Youth in Morocco: Patterns and Prospects
Ilham SADOQI, Mohammed V University, Rabat

Les Jeunes du Rif entre inclusion et exclusion
Khalid MOUNA, Moulay Ismail University, Meknès

Volunteerism as a Means of Promoting Civic Engagement among Moroccan Youth
Omar LAAFOURA, Corps Africa-Maroc

15h00-15h45 **Discussion**

15h45-17h00 **Panel 3. Gender and Social Inclusion**

15h45-16h20 **Panel Moderator : Cynthia WARRICK**, Grambling State University

(Dis)Empowering Education: the Case of Morocco
Katja ZVAN-ELLIOT, Al-Akhawayn University, Ifrane

The Sexual Transaction Practices of Young Working-Class Women :
a Way to Social Inclusion or a Form of Exclusion?
Meriam CHEIKH, Université Libre de Bruxelles

Advocating for Women's Legal Rights in Morocco : Legislative Advocacy and Strategic Litigation
Stéphanie WILLIAM-BORDAT, Founding Partner, MRA/Mobilising for Rights Associates

16h20-17h00 **Discussion**

17h00-17h30 **Synthesis, Recommendations, and Conference Closing**

Challenges to Social Inclusion: MFAA Recommendations
Saloua ZERHOUNI, MFAA President

La Culture, un levier de l'insertion sociale
Fatima-Zahra ELFENNE, Mohammed V University, Rabat