



RAG: CULTURAL APPOINTMENT!

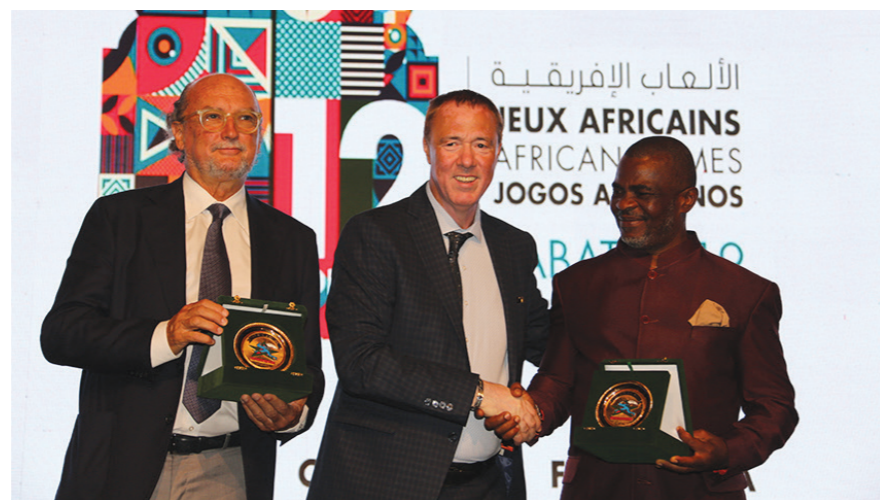
The African Games transcend their state of being a sports competition to become also a rich and exciting cultural meeting. Indeed, simultaneously to the competition's kickoff, a cultural scientific program full of non-core activities and entertainment is launched. On the programme: Conferences on the values of the game and on African patrimony and historical heritage, shows, guided tours, cultural and artistic activities and entertainment. So, after having attended their preferred relevant competitions, the sport fans would be able to find out more about "the sport and the development of the African continent in ", or pay a visit to the International Scientific Congress focusing on "Sport in Africa: the diversity facing the test of the globalization".

Also planned during the event, a major seminar on sports medicine as well as an Anti-Doping Forum. It's not all since the program counts also several commercial, institutional, handicraft and sports spaces as well as shows stages to the delight of the AG visitors. Guided tours to the main historical monuments of Rabat and Casablanca are also planned for the athletes, heads of teams and other officials.



A SPRINGBOARD FOR YOUNG JOURNALISTS

Best of all, this edition is also enriched by a program "Youth Media", officially launched on August 18th in Rabat. Initiated by the International Sports Press Association (ISPA) in collaboration with the Ministry of Youth and Sports, the program offers to the new generation of journalists, a unique opportunity to live the experience of covering a major sports event and to improve their skills and competencies alongside experienced journalists. And it was a huge success since 70 young people from all over the world have applied to qualify for this program. In an address for the occasion, the Minister of Youth and Sports, Mr. Rachid Talbi Alami, welcomed the launch of this program "Media Young people "to promote the values of sport and journalism for the benefit of younger generations, considering the media as custodians of these values and key partners to promote the development of that field. The program's launch ceremony was marked by the presence of several personalities such as the Egyptian, the Algerian and the Malian Ministers of sports, the African Union Social Affairs Commissioner, Mrs Amira El Fadil, the president of the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa, Mustapha Berraf, the President of the African Sports Confederations Union, Ahmed Nasser as well as the Vice-President of the Moroccan National Olympic Committee, Kamal Lahlou.

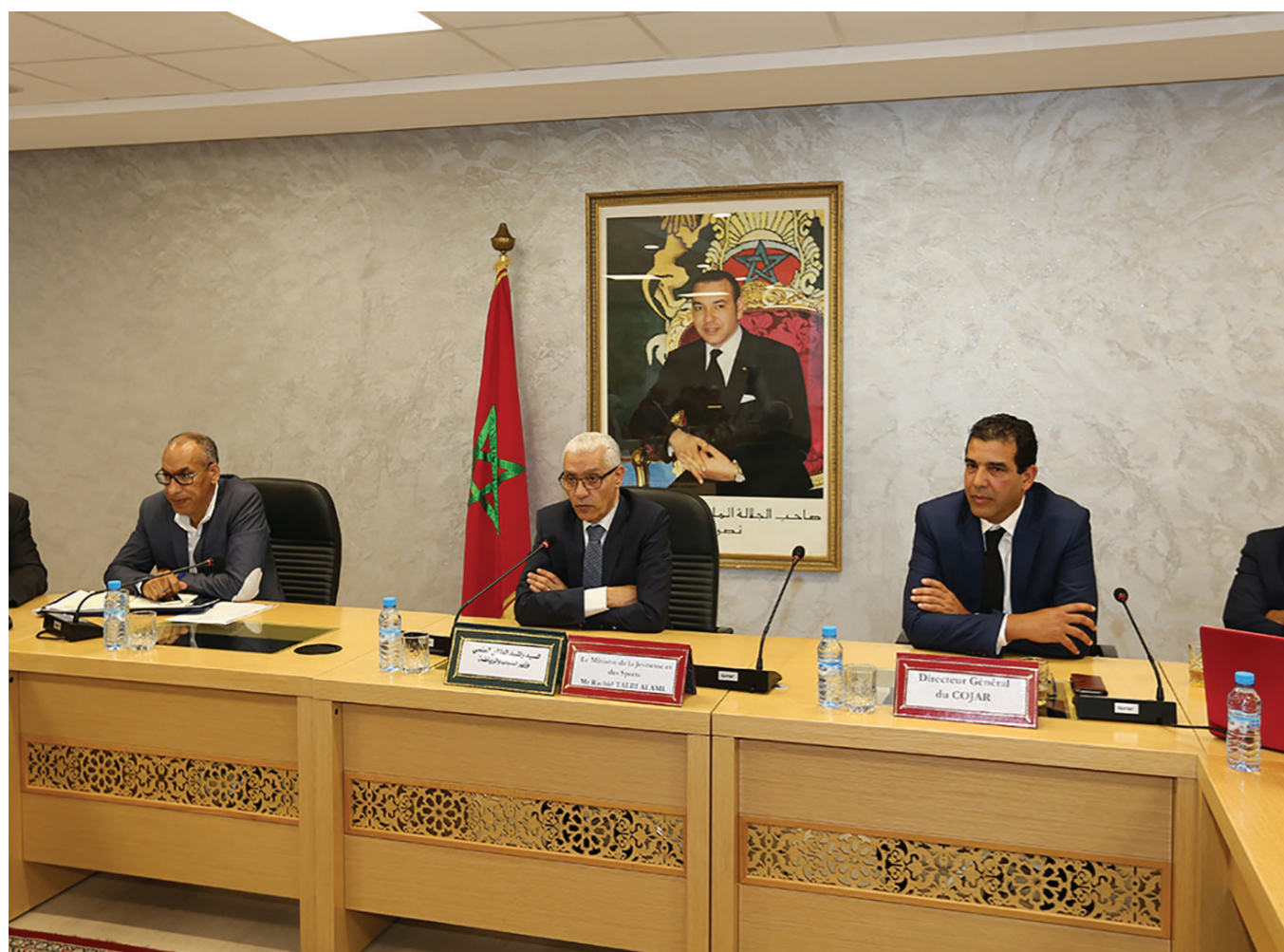


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RAG ORGANIZATION DETAILS ANNOUNCED

The 12th edition of the African Games (19-31 August in Rabat) is officially announced by Mr. Rachid Talbi Alami, the Moroccan Minister of Youth and Sport. 54 African countries will take part to this major event involving 6500 athletes. A press conference was held on July 15th, 2019 to reveal the details of the organization in 29 sport disciplines, including 16 qualifiers to Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. This ceremony is marked by the presence of the Vice-President of the African National Olympic Committees (ANOCA) and the President of the 12th African Games Coordination Committee, Mr Joao Manuel da Costa Alegre Alonso, and the President of the Union of African Sports Confederations, Mr












Ahmed Nasser and the General Director of this 12th edition, Mr Abdelatif Abbad. This conference was an opportunity to focus on all the progress made for the games preparations, as well as the efforts made by the Organizing Committee of the African Games Rabat 2019 (RAGOC) in collaboration with its various partners to ensure a successful organization to this major continental sports event. Morocco is providing all the necessary means to try this exciting challenge and to meet the needs and the expectations of the huge number of guest. Actually, in addition to the 6,500 athletes and sportsmen, Morocco hosts 1,500 technical managers and heads of delegation, as well as no

fewer than 2,000 volunteers who will accompany participants throughout the competition for a total of around 15,000 people. The Minister also insisted on the determination of the Kingdom and other partners to make the African Games a qualifying tournament for the Olympic Games and a step towards winning Olympic qualification points. This will surely attract a large number of distinguished athletes at the African level". Moreover, the cities of Salé, Rabat, Temara, Casablanca, El Jadida, Mohammedia and Benslimane are chosen to host the event because of the quality of their sports facilities and their appropriate accommodation sites to host various scheduled disciplines, said the Minister.



A MAJOR COMPETITION!

So, 6396 athletes from 54 countries will be competing in 29 sports disciplines that are: Rowing, Basket Ball 3 * 3, Boxing, Chess, Football, Gymnastics, Handball, Karate, Freestyle and Greco-Roman Wrestling, Snooker, Indoor Volleyball. In addition to this list, the other disciplines qualifying to Olympic Games such as Athletics, Canoeing Kayak, Swimming, Beach volleyball, Weightlifting, Tennis, Table Tennis, Mountain Bike and On road Cycling, Equestrian Sports, Triathlon, Judo, Archery, Taekwondo, Shooting, Badminton, Fencing. It is also expected that 2020 medals including 626 Gold, 626 Silver and 768 Bronze will be awarded to the champions. The different sports competitions will be supervised by 900 technical officers. And in order to welcome the athletes and their technical staffs, two games villages will be established at Rabat International University in Rabat and at Bayt Al Maarifa in Casablanca. Each one of them offers sports fields, sports hall, a medical Centre, an indoor pool, a restaurant, an Amphitheater, meeting and conference rooms. It should also be noted that the committee unveiled the 12th Games African mascot, representing an "Atlas Lion", while Barid Al-Maghrib issued two post stamps especially dedicated to this competition. The minister also stressed that Morocco signed the agreement protocol for the organization of the Games in December 2018 following the special request of the African Union, the Association of the National Olympic Committees of Africa, the Union of African sports Confederations and the African Games Organizing Committee after the withdrawal of Equatorial Guinea, that had previously committed itself to host this continental competition.

 ATHLETICS	 CANOE KAYAK	 SWIMMING	 TENNIS
 BEACH VOLLEYBALL	 WEIGHTLIFTING	 TABLE TENNIS	 CYCLING VTT ROAD
 RIDING SPORTS	 TRIATHLON	 JUDO	 ARCHERY
 SNOOKER	 SHOOTING	 BADMINTON	 GYMNASTIQUE
 ATHLÉTISME	 AVIRON	 BADMINTON	 BASKET BALL 3X3
 CYCLING	 CHESS	 FENCING	 FOOTBALL
 HANDBALL	 JUDO	 KARATE	 WRESTLING



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THE BEST SITES TO OFFER THE BEST SPORTS SHOW POSSIBLE!

With its good infrastructures and its solid sports culture, Morocco is hosting the 12th edition of the African Games from August 19th to 31st. An edition marked by a large number of participants which reached 6,500 athletes and sportsmen and 1,500 technical managers and heads of delegations. In order to offer a sports show in compliance

with the international standards, the cities of Salé, Rabat, Temara, Casablanca, El Jadida, Mohammedia and Benslimane have been selected to host the event. Discover, below, the details of the competition and training sites for this edition!



SPORTS	AUGUST 2019												
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	CITY												
01 OPENING CEREMONY	RABAT												
02 ATHLETICS	H/D												
03 ROWING	H/D												
04 BADMINTON	H/D												
05 BASKET BALL 3X3	H/D												
06 BOXING	H/D												
07 CANOE KAYAK	H/D												
08 CYCLING	H/D												
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10 FENCING	H/D												
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12 GYMNASTICS	H/D												
13 WEIGHTLIFTING	H/D												
14 HANDBALL	H/D												
15 JUDO	H/D												
16 KARATE	H/D												
17 WRESTLING	H												
18 GRECO ROMAN	H/D												
19 FREE	H/D												
20 SWIMMING	H/D												
21 SNOOKER	H/D												
22 RIDING SPORTS	H/D												
23 TAEKWONDO	H/D												
24 TENNIS	H/D												
25 TABLE TENNIS	H/D												
26 ARCHERY	H/D												
27 SHOOTING	H/D												
28 TRIATHLON	H/D												
29 VOLLEYBALL	H/D												
30 BEACH	H/D												
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AG PREPARATIONS: VOLUNTEERS ARE READY

Preparations for the 12th edition of the African Games are well under way. In parallel with the logistical preparations, the training of volunteers from all over the world, supposed to assist in organizing this major sporting event, was launched from July 29th to August 5th. This training was held in one of the Kingdom's largest academic institutions: the Rabat International University and was facilitated by a selection of the world's most important leading trainers. The groups of volunteers received in-depth training in two modules: "Service attitudes and behaviors" during 7 days, and "Managing a team" for one day. In order to ensure the best assimilation of the modules provided, the trainers tested the most recent pedagogical formats such as case studies and practical exercises, illustration cases and simulation, used for that purpose. At the end of these trainings, the volunteers had to undergo an evaluation session before receiving training certificates.

CAPE TOWARDS LEADERSHIP!



As per the second module, it especially focused on the principles of management. The training has begun first by identifying the role of the management to stress later on its position, its missions, its good practices and its posture. Afterwards, the training addressed the necessary techniques to help the future managers to self-diagnose and to introduce themselves and share their vision with their teams. As management and leadership are more or less similar, the training also sought to inculcate this skill to the volunteers. These latter have learned smart tips in order to develop their leadership and bring their collaborators towards more autonomy and performance. It goes through a practice of leadership called "situational leadership", but also by defining collective goals and by delegating skillfully to empower

the team members. The training focused also on the construction of the team logic, on the roles and missions clarification and the identification of success factors. As all good manager needs to conduct meetings with a team in order to succeed, the volunteers learned the preparation, the construction and conduct of efficient and relevant meetings to set up mobilized teams around common goals. So the volunteers received all the cognitive tools in order to successfully carry out their missions in the organization of this major continental sports event. We hope that they will contribute to make these 12th African games worthy for their country and their continent.

A FULL MENU!

After 45 minutes dedicated to the presentation of the host country as well as the African games and their stakes, the participants were entitled to an introduction to "service attitudes". This includes customer expectations (participants and stakeholders), the concept of service, the visibility of the service, but also the work instructions. This last part served to inculcate them the engagements respect such as the punctuality, the time and stress management and the team spirit. It has also consisted in training them to the professionalism basics, which are availability and reactivity, adapted communication, respect of people and goods. The basic safety rules have not been left out since a dedicated session has been devoted to them.



RAG CARAVANS

20 MOROCCAN CITIES TAKE A FORETASTE OF THE RABAT AFRICAN GAMES JOY!



The African Games are not just sports competition, it is also an open party open all over Morocco. In preparation for this major continental event, the African Games Caravans go on tour in 20 Moroccan cities from August 1st to 15th. Goal? Share with all Moroccans as well as the guest and visitors the joy of organizing this event. To cover this large geographical area, the caravans will take two circuits. The first circuit will cover the northern cities (Meknes, Fez, Nador, Oujda, Salé, Kenitra, Asilah, Tangier; M'diq, Martil, Hoceima and Saidia) and the second will cover the southern cities (Settat, Marrakech,

Agadir, Essaouira, Safi, Oualidia and El Jadida). In the programme, music shows and entertainment, photo booths, mobile shops to sell memories of the event; but also games and contests. And since it is about African Games, these competitions are sporting as well as they are African. For example, it is about, the African hopscotch, or a timed hopscotch race, or the potato bag race, in which the participants will be competing on the same track but with potato bags. That's not all. The famous game, Hola Hoop, in which 6 participants try to keep, as long as possible, a circle around their moving

waist, is also proposed. The program also plans a tournament of arms wrestling. And to extend the pleasure to the most, the winners will have to do play randomly since they will have a chance to spin a wheel that determines their gifts and prizes. Moreover, to reward the best performances, the caravans have scheduled 15 lots of gift per day per caravan, so a total of 900 products, consisting of caps, T-shirts, bracelets as well as tank tops. Thanks to this rich programme full of sports entertainment and in festive music, Moroccans will have taken foretaste to the joy of this major celebration.