

Africa Division meeting

19th June 2022 (3:30pm-4:30pm)

Chaired By: Moez Louati

Agenda:

1. Regional congress
2. Online events
3. Expansion of LT members
4. Funds/Proposals to support YPN-Africa
5. YPN in Africa

Summary of discussion:

- Background on Africa RD.
- Round of introduction
- We should organize regional congress 2024. Hybrid mode seems a good options. The online presentations should be recorded to avoid internet issue, but Q&A session can be real-time via zoom.
- Potential options for the congress location: **Morocco, Tunisia, Rwanda, Cape Verde**. We will ask for proposals before Dec 2022.
- Hydroinformatics conference 2026 will be held in Africa, we will receive proposals before Dec 2022 and discuss them with Gabriel (Chair of Hydroinformatics WG).
- Modupe will explore how to use social media to drive surveys.
- Organize a panel session on “Identifying Challenges Facing Africa”. This panel session is originally planned to be online, but we may do it face to face during the upcoming World Congress 2023. We already proposed the idea to the Vienna organizing committee, and they are open for it (during Friday meeting with LOC 2023).
- We proposed that one keynote lecture during the next World Congress 2023 should be from Africa discussing advanced research and projects in Africa (during Friday meeting with LOC 2023).
- First YPN is established in Rwanda. LT members will try to reach out to new members encouraging them to establish YPN.
- Once we have several YPNs in Africa, we will look for fund raising to support their mobility within Africa and overseas of Africa to visit other YPNs.

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