



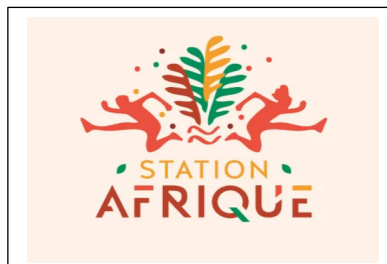
Desertification and Drought Day at Paris Olympics

Date: July 31, 2024

Location: Station Africa Club 2024, Île-Saint-Denis

Partners: Esprit d'Ébène, City of Île-Saint-Denis

Desertification and land degradation represent a major challenge for the global sporting community. Drought and extreme temperatures make playing surfaces harder and more brittle, increasing the risk of injury for athletes. The Desertification Day at the Station Africa will raise awareness about the tripling effects of desertification and drought for the sports community.



14:00 – 14:15	Opening Remarks - Mohamed Gnabaly, Mayor of Île-Saint-Denis - Xenya Scanlon, Head of Communication, Partnerships, and External Relations, UNCCD - Mams Yaffa, Association Esprit d'Ébène
14:15 – 14 :20	UNCCD Multimedia Presentation
14:15 – 18:00	Stand Activities (in parallel) - Stand: Mandala, Quiz (with prizes) "Desertification Fresco" Workshop by <i>desertificationfresk</i> NGO - Visuals: Sport4Land for photo opportunities (to be prepared)
14:15 – 15 :45	Desertification and Sports Debate (in parallel) - Merem Tahar, Special Envoy of the President of COP15 Desertification on Youth - Naomi Akakpo, Hurdler Athlete, Togo - Mustapha Berraf, First Vice-president of the Association of the National Olympic Committees of Africa (ANOCA) - Vladyslava Kravchenk, Para Swimming Athlete and member of the International Paralympic Committee's Athletes' Council, Malta
15:45 – 16:00	Acknowledgements, Group Photos, Program Announcement
16:00 – 16:30	Refreshments and Networking with Guests
16:30 – 18:30	Screening of "The Great Green Wall" film (subtitled)
18:30 – 22:00	Evening Opening with a Musical Performance
22:00	End of the day and dismantling