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Global WtERT Council and University Mohammed VI Polytechnic Sign MOU to Further Joint Research, Education in Waste-to-Energy technologies.

Benguerir, February 20, 2024: Waste-to-Energy Research and Technology Council (WtERT) is pleased to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University Mohammed VI Polytechnic (UM6P) in Morocco for research cooperation in Waste-to-Energy (WtE), training, education, and outreach initiatives in Morocco.

Under this partnership, WtERT and UM6P will collaborate on various research projects, knowledge sharing, training programs, educational activities and technology transfer aimed at advancing sustainable waste management practices and promoting the use of waste as a valuable resource for energy production in Morocco to be set as an example for the African continent.

Through this partnership, UM6P and WtERT aim to establish a platform for collaboration, knowledge exchange, and capacity building to support the transition towards a circular economy and a low-carbon future.
Under the MoU, both parties will work together to conduct research, share knowledge and expertise, and develop innovative technologies to convert waste into clean and renewable energy. The collaboration will also involve joint projects, workshops, and training programs to promote awareness and education about waste-to-energy solutions in the African region.

"We are thrilled to partner with UM6P to enhance our efforts in promoting sustainable waste management practices and supporting the development of Waste-to-Energy technologies in Morocco and throughout Africa," said Dr. Prof. Qunxing Huang, President of WtERT. "This collaboration will enable us to leverage our expertise and resources to address the pressing environmental and energy challenges facing the continent."

« This partnership with WtERT aligns perfectly with UM6P's mission to foster innovation and drive sustainable development in Africa. By combining our research strengths, we can unlock the potential of waste-to-energy solutions, transforming waste challenges into opportunities for a cleaner, more resource-efficient future for our continent. » Said Mohamed BOUSSETA Director of Innovate For Industry in UM6P.

About Global WtERT Council:

Founded in 2002, the Global Waste-to-Energy Research and Technology Council, WtERT®, is the foremost Non-for-Profit research association on Waste-to-Energy (WtE) worldwide, founded by the Earth Engineering Center of Columbia University; it brings together engineers and scientists from industry, government and Universities from 26 countries across the globe to collaborate together to advance both the economic and environmental performance of Waste-to-Energy technologies and disseminate all research and findings to the general public. WtERT® is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit association (EIN: 45-3842166) that prides itself on being a unique Industry-academia consortium to advance Waste-to-Energy technologies. For more information about the organization, visit wtert.org.

About UM6P:

University Mohammed VI Polytechnic (UM6P) is a Moroccan university focusing on developing solutions to specific continental and more broadly global challenges. UM6P is oriented towards education and research, with strong links to industry, business, and innovation. The university commits itself to empowering a new generation of talents that will build and lead the future of Africa. It has a total of 5684 students, including 721 PhD students, with a research and academic community representing 33 nationalities.

UM6P sets sight on responding to the various needs of African economies. From its main campus in Benguerir, near Marrakech, and its branches in Rabat, Laayoune and Paris, the university offers a new kind of learning environment, inspiring innovation and entrepreneurship through its Living Labs and peer-to-peer learning philosophy.

With academic departments and research programs spanning science and technology, business and management, humanities, and medicine, and based on a research solving-problem approach, UM6P is designed to benefit not only Africa, but the world as well.