



(re)sources

think tank

Acting for access to
essential services



A think tank fully committed since 2004 to promoting access to essential services

A meeting place for dialogue and debate

Born out of a symposium organized in 2004 in Libreville (Gabon) on the theme of "The Right to Water and Energy: from Vision to Action", the (Re)sources think tank has been dedicated for the past 17 years to built space for reflexions and advocacy on access to essential services in Africa and the Middle East.

Research in support of innovation and sustainable practices

We believe research and information are essential to support informed decision and sustainable practices. Throughout integrated approaches, we wish to mobilize the attention of public authorities and policy makers, firms and populations in order to promote innovative and relevant solutions that address the needs around these services.

Our member

(Re)sources brings together 35 members: academics, politicians, humanitarian professionals, economic and social development activists, professionals from industry and service companies, and members of international institutions. Their cross-fertilized views enable water, energy and waste issues to be approached from multiple angles, regulatory, economic, social, health and urban, but always with a view to finding concrete and sustainable solutions.

Our values



Access to water, sanitation, energy and waste management is a catalyst for human development



Good governance is a prerequisite for any sustainable action towards essential services



Rights to access essential services is recognized as a fundamental right, which has to be translated within national jurisdictions



Our last events

MARCH 2022 - Webinar

The Sahel in turmoil : what impact on essential services ?

JANUARY 2022 - Webinar

Access to water, sanitation and energy as essential services in Mauritania : review and challenges

JANUARY 2022 - The Second International Conference Water, Megacities and Global Change

- Water and risks in peri-urban areas of Africa and the Middle East : challenges and solutions
- How to secure access to basic services through land rights ?

NOVEMBER 2021 - Webinar

Connectivity & energy in Africa : The place of and solutions from public goods operators

OCTOBER 2021 - Webinar

The financing of basic services : beyond public debt ?

OTHERS TOPICS DISCUSSED DURING OUR EVENTS



- Stabilization and reconstruction of crisis areas through essential infrastructures: Sahel-Saharan strip, Near and Middle East



- From waterborne diseases to Covid19 : how to stop an epidemic ?



- The USA, China and Middle East's agenda in Africa
- Affordable water in developing countries : what realities ? what results ?

- Urbanization in developing countries : which implication for poverty and environment ?
- Land security for water access in informal neighborhoods

Did you know ?



54 % of the global population lives in cities.



3 out of 10 people do not have access to a secure drinking water service.
The demand for water should keep increasing until 2050.



Even though access to rural electrification is progressing, 1.6 million people still do not have access to electricity worldwide.



Only 39% of the global population has secure sanitation services.



According to UN estimations, 52 % of the global population will be endangered in 2050 because of environmental deterioration.

Sources: Nations Unies (2020), International Energy Agency (2019), World Bank (2017)



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