

The nrg4sd Saint-Malo Summit  
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# Getting to the point...



## \* Climate Change is now an unquestionable issue \*

- The **answers** to this challenge are **insufficient**,
- **Local levels** are on the move,
- **Regional levels** are linking their experiences,
- *This issue comes in due time.*
- BUT... As regional governments...
- *We need to work **collectively**,*
- *We need to **show what is already being done**,*
- *We need to **expand our scope of action**.*

# Why are Regional Governments interested in the Climate Change issue ?



Regional Governments cannot stay aside of the Climate Change issue because :

- Climate Change will be a **critical outcome** by which they will be directly impacted :
  - ⇒ Sea Level & coastal communities sustainability
  - ⇒ Extreme climate & damages to crops...
  - ⇒ Climate Refugees...
- Climate Change is in the **institutional scope of interest** of the regions :
  - ⇒ Mitigation : **transports, education & training, agriculture, business...**
  - ⇒ Adaptation : **infrastructures & land planning, agriculture, fishing, training...**
- According to the Kyoto Protocol Regional Governments are associated to the discussions...
- **Last but not least**, Regional Governments have an operational knowledge of local issues, communities... besides they can organise on a global level... they are GLOCAL.

# The Saint-Malo Summit; Who are the operators ?



## → Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable development - Originator

Created in Jo'burg in 2002, gathers more that 35 regional governments + 4 networks

⇒- Members from Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America... and through the networks (CRPM-CPMR, Northern Forum, OLAGI ABEMA-Brazil):, links in United States, Russia, China...

⇒- Presidency by **2 regional Governments** : Euskadi - Spanish Basque Country (North) and Western Cape of South Africa (South).

⇒- Nrg4sd contributes to various institutions, is “observer” at the CSD, the COP on Climate Change, the UNEP...

## → Regional Council of Brittany - Organisator

- Member of the network since 2005

- Strongly committed on the Climate Change issue due to its maritime identity

- 25% of the employment directy linked to natural ressources (agriculture, fisheries, tourism...)

## → United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) - 1st hand Partner

⇒- Strong partner for the regional level

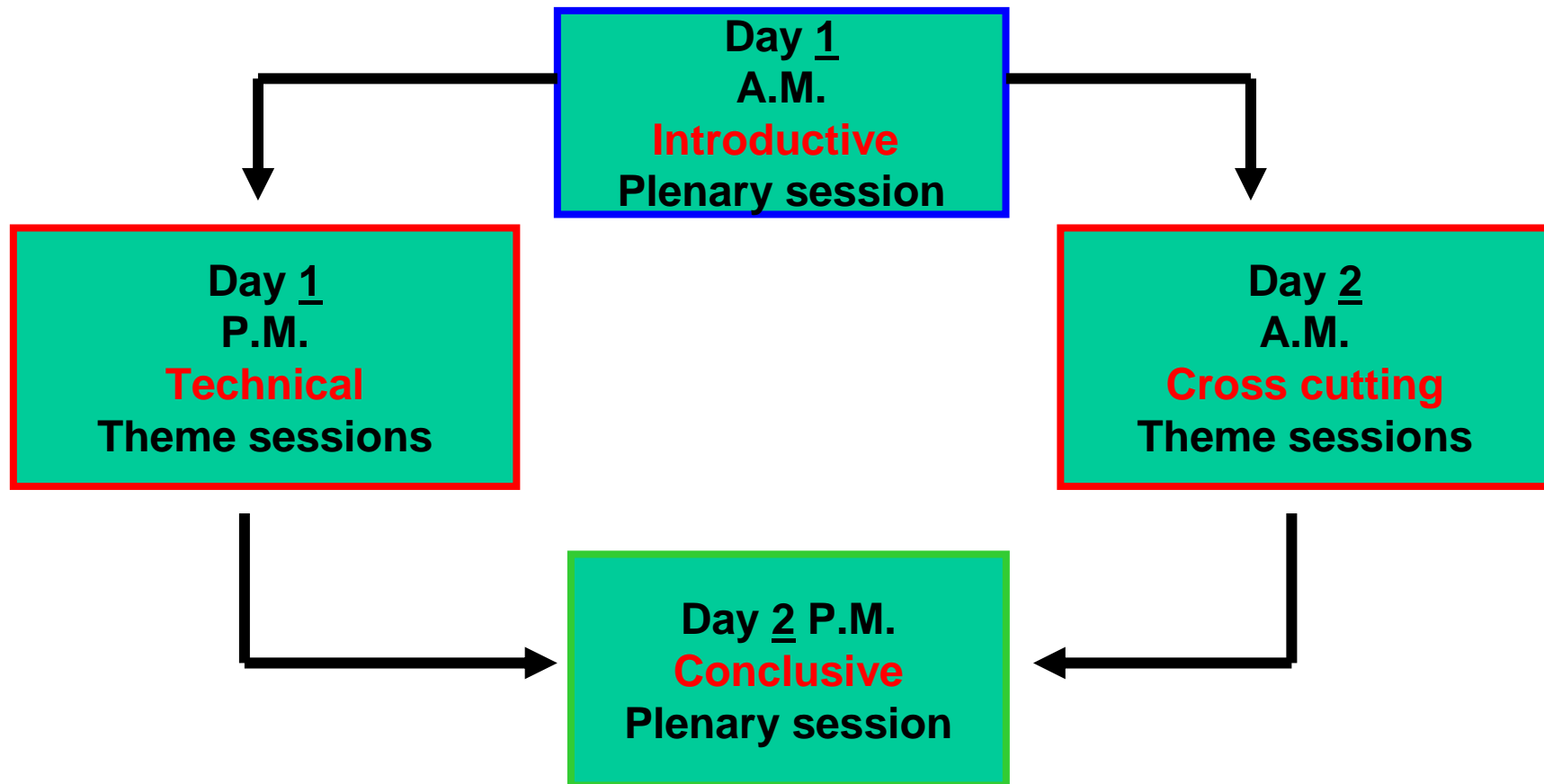
⇒- Operator of the joint programme to be signed in Saint-Malo

## → *The Saint Malo Summit is an event covered by the French Presidency of the UE*

# The organisation of the Summit:

Day 1 : October 29th 2008

Day 2 : October 30th 2008



# An initiative with full comitment from various institutions & backgrounds



## • **Intitutions :**

- United Nations : UNDP, UNEP, GEF, UNOSAT-CLIMSAT
- European Union : DG Regio, Relex, Deve, Env, Committee of the Regions
- French Republic : Foreign Affairs Ministry, European Affairs Ministry, Sustainable Development Ministry

## • **Scientific networks :**

- IPCC

## • **Grassroot & Regional networks :**

- Sahara & Sahel Observatory (Africa)
- Northern Forum (Polar Circle)
- OLAGI (Latin America)
- CPMR (Europe)
- Climate Group (USA - Canada)
- Indian Ocean Conference (Africa, Island States & Regions)...

# What is to be expected ?



→ Show the **added-value of regional governments** through expression of regional cases under complementary various angles & expression of strategies for the future (theme sessions) :

- ⇒- Agriculture, forestry, biodiversity
- ⇒- Water & integrated coastal management
- ⇒- Renewable energies & new technologies
- ⇒- Networking & capacity building
- ⇒- Wishes for the post-Kyoto protocol

→ **Express technical capacity and be a full partner:**

- \* Express full support for the UNDP - Regions \$70million innovative programme
- \* Give full support for CLIMSAT agency in Brittany (Brest)

# The principles of the Summit's organisation



- **Be simple & straightforward** : SM08 Summit is not a scientific congress nor a philosophic encounter on the future of humanity...
- **Be accessible to non-specialists** : Many regions will assist to this kind of meeting for the first time... content must be clear...
- **Show & demonstrate** the interest of transferable experiences + the asset of networking.
- **Generate a concrete outcome** : **the UNDP Programme on Regions & Climate Change**:
  - \$70 million on 5 years to sensibilise 500 regions
  - select 50 front-line regions to design an efficient and assessible climate policy
  - direct Carbon Tax on concrete & efficient grass-root projects

## Some information about the inscriptions...



- **Number of Countries** : More than 50 including (46 today) :
  - Brazil, Russia, India, China, United States...
  - Uganda, Mozambique, Burkina Faso, Ecuador, Haïti, Peru, Nepal, Bangladesh...
  - 15 European countries... (estimation)
- **Number of Regions** : More than 70 (49 today) including
  - Polar Circle Regions from USA, Russia...
  - Desert and Rain forest Regions from Africa, Latin America and Asia
  - Strongly developing Regions from Asia and Latin America
  - European Regions : *only* 30 out of 70 (estimation)

Being part of the momentum...



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Thank You !

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