Further to the promulgation of the framework law n°99-12, the government adopted the National Strategy for Sustainable Development (SNDD 2030\(^1\)), which is based on 4 principles: (i) an International conformity, (ii) a conformity with the principles of the framework law n°99-12, (iii) the commitment of the stakeholders, (iv) an operational strategy.

The seven challenges are: (i) enhance the sustainable development governance, (ii) succeed in the transition to a green economy of sustainable development,(iii) upgrade the management and the value of the natural resources and reinforce the biodiversity conservation, (iv) boost the implementation of the National policy fighting the climate change, (v) monitor the sensitive areas, (vi) promote human development and reduce social and territorial inequalities, (vii) promote a sustainable development culture.

The **general objective** of this project is to reinforce the EU-Morocco Partnership in the environment and climate change sector by promoting the regulatory convergence between the Moroccan legal and institutional framework and the EU Acquis.

The **specific objective** of this project is to support the implementation of the framework law n°99-12 on environment, which was promulgated in March 2014, dealing with the National Charter for Environment and Sustainable Development in Morocco.\(^2\)

The following components and the required mandatory results are listed below:

**Component 1: Convergence with the EU Acquis:**
- The texts of the framework law n°99-12 on environment, dealing with the National Charter for Environment and Sustainable Development, is in conformity with the EU Acquis.

**Component 2: Institutional Strengthening:**
- Structures and State organisations in charge of environment are better adapted to their missions and move forward their convergence with the EU.

**Component 3: Capacity Building and Training:**
- The managers of the “SEDD” and other organisations in charge of environment have a better knowledge of the Acquis and of the best practices.

**Component 4: Awareness:**
- The stakeholders embed environment and the best practices linked to their actions.

Each of these components will address the following topics: coastal and marine environment, hazardous chemicals, wastes, noise and odor and light pollution, air pollution, environmental liability, environmental police in case of industrial pollution, ecolabel, assessment and strategic environmental audits, regulatory database. They will be implemented through studies (benchmarking, diagnostics, impact ...), training, study tours, round tables, etc.

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The maximum total budget for this project is 1,200,000 EUR. Deadline for submission of twinning proposals to the Contracting Authority by National Contact Points is January 2019 and the expected start date of implementation is May 2019. The duration of the project is 24 months.