

Mr. Abdelahim LHAFI

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The High Commissioner for Water,
Forests and the Fight against
Desertification of the Kingdom of Morocco

Dear Mr. LHAFI,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to your kind invitation to the Fifth Mediterranean Forest Week (5th MFW) to take place in Agadir, Morocco from 20th to 24th March. Unfortunately, I regret to inform you that I will not be able to attend the 5th MFW due to my pre-determined programs and tight schedule during the Conference.

However, Mr. İsmail Belen, who acts as the head of Silva Mediterranea, will represent our Ministry during the said Conference.

I avail myself of this opportunity to state my pleasure that our Ministry will support "Regional Mediterranean Initiative on Forest and Land Restoration" by contributing to the studies for 100.000 hectares of land annually from 2017 to 2021 which means totally 500.000 hectares for 5 years.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Prof. Dr. Veycel EROĞLU

Minister