







'Africa in Solidarity'







Hammamet, 23 June 2023: Olympic Day celebrations were marked by a series of actions by the Tunisian authorities. Speaking on the occasion, Tunisia's Minister for Youth and Sport, Kamal Déguishe, declared that «it is an exceptional day that embodies African unity, as sport is a symbol of peace and solidarity among all nations.»

«Africa in Solidarity», the slogan of the Second African Beach Games in Hammamet, is the mantra of this celebration, which was given a special touch with the singing of national and Olympic anthems, including active and sports performances at the Beach Games in various disciplines.



Representatives of the various African NOCs were present and participated in the festivities, which took place in the sports village in the tourist and seaside resort of Hammamet.

ANOCA President, the Honourable Mustapha Berraf, paid a glowing tribute to the Tunisian authorities: «I would like to thank the President of the Republic of Tunisia for his personal involvement in the success of the Second African Beach Games,» he insisted, before adding: «Tunisia is demonstrating its openness to the continent as the country of youth, sport and the Olympic spirit.»

In Hammamet, 54 African countries have engaged in the competition, which will now run non-stop up to 30 June, with more than 1,000 athletes competing in 16 sports.

Solidarity Day gave yet another special touch to the kick-off of the Games.





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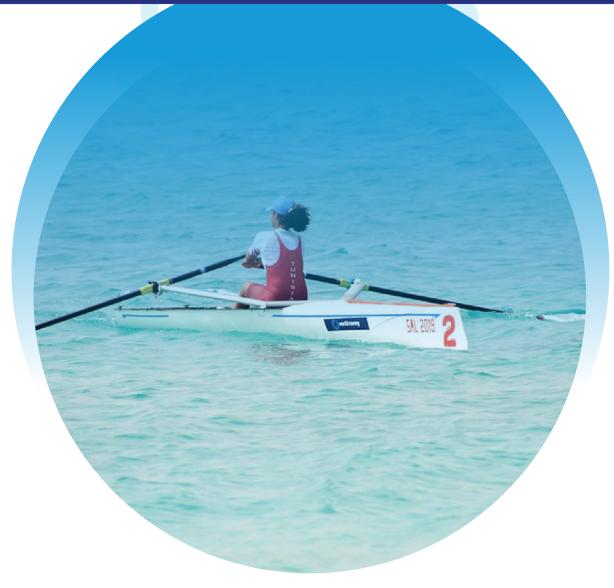


54 PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

South Africa Algeria Angola Benin **Botswana Burkina Faso** Cameroon Cape Verde **Central African** Republic Comoros Congo Brazzaville **Ivory Coast** Djibouti Egypt **Eswatini** Ethiopia

Gabon Gambia Ghana Guinea **Guinea Bissau Equatorial** guinea **Mauritius island** Kenva Lesotho Libya Madagascar Malawi Mali Morocco Mauritania Mozambique Namibia

Niger **Nigeria** Uganda **Democratic Republic of Congo** Rwanda Sao Tome and Principe Senegal **Seychelles Sierra Leone** South Sudan Sudan Tanzania Chad Togo Zambia **Zimbabwe**





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