

# D-Lab



*"It was a fabulous experience, one that I would highly recommend ... a great opportunity for anyone looking at co-creation and innovation in project design."*

- Maria Rendon  
Innovation Advisor, USAID  
Global Development Lab  
PIA Co-Design Summit  
Attendee, 2017



**Practical Impact Alliance** Launched in 2015 by MIT D-Lab, the MIT Practical Impact Alliance (PIA) is a global network of social intrapreneurs that accelerates social impact through peer learning and collaborative action.

## PIA Co-Design Summit 2018: Morocco

Laâyoune, Morocco November 25 - December 1, 2018

Organized by MIT D-Lab & OCP Phosboucraa Foundation

Using MIT D-Lab's expertise in participatory innovation, the PIA Co-Design Summit offers an immersive, seven-day participatory design experience that engages local, national, and international participants in a collaborative process of co-creating solutions to economic and social development challenges with a focus on local community engagement and entrepreneurship.

The 2018 Summit is co-organized in partnership with the Phosboucraa Foundation, a member of the PIA network. Adapting D-Lab's Creative Capacity Building and co-design curriculum to local business development, the event will convene PIA members, key local, national, and international stakeholders, and local entrepreneurs to co-design sustainable entrepreneurial solutions and to catalyze local innovation and entrepreneurship in the southern regions of Morocco.

### CO-DESIGN SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

- Co-Design Dissemination: Bring the participatory design methodology and disseminate it in the ecosystem.
- Solutions Development: Develop new and innovative entrepreneurial solutions.
- Ecosystem Acceleration: Catalyze the development of the region's entrepreneurial ecosystem.

### WHY PARTICIPATE IN THE SUMMIT?

- Gain practical experience in the MIT D-Lab participatory design methodology.
- Work alongside PIA members, young entrepreneurs from Laâyoune, as well as stakeholders in the Moroccan entrepreneurial ecosystem.
- Network with summit participants to explore collaborative projects.
- Contribute to a process that aims to catalyze and strengthen the employment and innovation ecosystem in Morocco.

### REGISTRATION

- Open mid-June to late July
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2018 Members

