

9 th MASTERCLASS ‘Dialogue of disciplines’ – 27/29 January 2021
Information about the contribution from the participating Masters (*)

1.GENERAL INFORMATION	
-Denomination of the Master	Action économique et coopération des collectivités territoriales en Europe (Economic Action and Cooperation between Local Authorities in Europe)
-University	Université Lumière-Lyon-II
-N.of participants	24
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2. CONTRIBUTION TO THE MASTERCLASS	
-Title	The Evolution of Public Policies in Decentralised Cooperation due to the Covid-19 Pandemic
-Summary of the main contents	<p>In our presentation, we intend to start by studying the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on poverty in French-speaking African low-income countries.</p> <p>Before exploring local authorities’ interventions to overcome this, we need to question the legitimacy for local authorities to intervene in low-income countries as well as to collaborate in the healthcare field, a national prerogative. In terms of healthcare cooperation, there are indeed twelve initiatives between local authorities in Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and foreign local authorities currently.</p> <p>Although local authorities in high-income countries also suffered from a fall of their income while having to increase their expenses due to the sanitary crisis (which could lead to a decrease of the budget they grant to solidarity towards foreign local authorities), they will still intervene abroad to alleviate the consequences of the pandemic.</p> <p>As high-income countries play a role in the free vaccine distribution in low-income countries, we wonder how local authorities could also take part in this regard. However, is that really what low-income countries need the most? To ensure that the pandemic does not emphasise inequalities, active listening from every party is vital.</p> <p>Also, the pandemic having reduced tourist mobilities, it would be interesting to examine how city twinning could be substituted for a new version to revitalise economy in low-income countries.</p>
-Envisaged format for the presentation (ppt,video,other)	PowerPoint presentation

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