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## **Governments must take action because Africa only produce 4% of GHG**

**Explains Salaheddine Mezouar**

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For 76% of African millennials, it is the governments that must first of all act against global warming, but more than half (53%) criticise them for not doing enough. Alternatives are therefore found at a supranational level through the efforts of the African Union (for 75% of them) and more generally by international organisations (73%), and at a subnational level thanks to private actors (69%) and non-governmental organisations (68%).-----

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