Sive Event on Fair Low/Zero Carbon & 100% RE Strategies, South & North Countries, Villages, incl. Women Initiatives

Promoting Pro-Poor Low-carbon Development Strategies in West Africa

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Project overall objective:
To create an enabling environment for and increased use of low carbon solutions for poverty reduction

Specific Objectives Include:

1. To strengthen civil society groups’ capacity to advocate for pro-poor sustainable energy and low carbon development policies at national and international level.

2. To improve decision-makers and negotiators understanding of potential benefits of low carbon.
Activities

**Project activities include to:**

- Development of baseline studies and mapping out stakeholders and their needs
- Creation of space of dialogue and mobilization
- Campaigning through interaction with policy and decision makers for promoting pro-poor low carbon and gender responsive supportive policies and financing at the national and regional levels
Activities / Campaigns (2)

- Showcasing of RETs and sharing examples of Best practice
  - 1. Improved bakeries
     - Traditional bread-making is a widespread income generating activity
     - Made of clay, uses firewood: affects hygiene and sanitary conditions
     - Improved bakeries made of metal
     - Designed to optimize energy efficiency and improve working conditions
Activities (3)

- Showcase of RET and sharing examples of Best practice
- 2. Improved ovens for fish smoking
Other Activities (4)

- Promotion of pro-poor LCDS
  - 1- PROGRES LAIT
    - Milk value chain:
      - 100 mini PV platforms for milk conservation and telephone recharge;
      - 20 mini PV platforms for milk conservation and pasteurization installed to supply large processing firms
    - Milk is processed and sold by women in rural areas
  - 2- ENERCO
    - Objective:
      - Establishment of 2 solar Multisectoral Energy Poles (PEM) of 4.5 kWp in Pata and Sakar (Senegal)
      - Productive use: milling unit, storage unit, battery charging unit, craft unit,
      - Social use: multi-media center (computers, internet, audiovisual, library, printing, copying, etc.)
    - 70% of beneficiaries are women.
Lessons learnt / Challenges

1- Lessons learnt
   - Increased interest in RETs
   - Need to build and strengthen partnerships/alliances
   - Strengthening of decision-makers positions on RE and LCD, especially at local level

2- Challenges
   - Regulations/institutions
   - Cost of equipment / related to regulation

3- Replicability
   - Focus on citizens actions: Adoption of good citizenship behaviour in the use of energy
   - Identification of possible new partners
   - Implementation of INDCs/Regional policies
Merci!

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LCD Project: www.inforse.org/aftica/Low-Carbon-Strategies.htm