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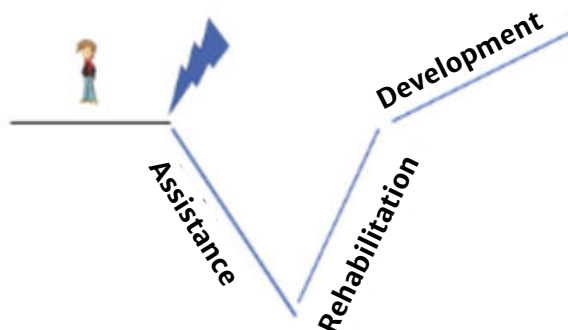


A Word from the President

JEAN-MARC WARIDEL

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." The second part of this African proverb perfectly illustrates ADED's vision, which is even reflected in its name, "Sustainable Development"!

The following diagram illustrates ADED's positioning and approach. There are 3 approaches: Assistance, Rehabilitation and Development, which apply to a person, a community or a region.



Assistance

Urgent and temporary assistance to reduce immediate suffering following a natural or man-made disaster or crisis. Outsiders work for the assisted person, community or region with resources from outside.

Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation begins when the "blood stops flowing" and seeks to restore the person, community or region to the point where it was before the crisis. The dynamic of the relationship is that of donor-recipient.

Development

Continuous process of change to bring the person, community or region further than the point where they were before the crisis. Development is not done for, but with people, and this is ADED's approach!

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A trip to Cameroon

In the middle of February, Nathalie and Anne-Lize made a trip to Cameroon. The trip was made under special and particular conditions, since we arrived a few days after the final of the Africa Cup of Nations 2022, where unfortunately the organizing country, Cameroon, was eliminated in the semi-finals. However, the marks of this competition were still very visible! After spending the night in the country's capital, we traveled to Mbalmayo, south of Yaoundé.

Our project in Cameroon started in October 2021 and the purpose of this trip was mainly to be able to talk with our local partner team Pact-C, who is in charge of the project on site. We had a training time for the team, during which we reflected on what a project is, how it works and how to work together and with other local actors. There are several young people who have joined the Pact-C team, motivated to help us and to put their skills at the service of the association, which is very good to see!



We have also visited some pre-schools of the department that are part of the project, to see how the hand hygiene facilities are used. Several trips were made by motorcycle, which allowed us to travel around from one school to another a bit faster in the rainforests, we definitely got a taste of some Cameroonian dust.

In order to support the association in its development, we had many discussions with the committee of our partner Pact-C. We listened, discussed, tried to understand their needs and gave them some ideas on how to be effective in their work.

Already last year, we received several messages from other actors who work in the same region of Mbalmayo and in the same field as us. During our stay we were able to meet with these organizations and other people, which was very encouraging. We are currently discussing and reflecting on how we can all continue the work together.

It was a trip rich in experiences and sharing. And... being there in the middle of pineapple season, we also enjoyed eating some!





A new member of the team

We are very happy to have welcomed Maxence in our team since the beginning of February. He holds a Master's degree in African Studies from the University of Geneva and is particularly interested in current development issues and opportunities at ADED.

"Since my arrival at ADED at the beginning of February, I have quickly integrated into the team and feel perfectly at ease. On the work side, there is a lot to do and I am particularly focusing on two big projects that we will start at the end of the year, or at the beginning of next year, one in the Democratic Republic of Congo and one in Malawi.

Concerning the project in the Democratic Republic of Congo, it is a first for ADED, but it mobilizes new partners who have been implementing projects in the country for many years. Thus, we are delighted with these partnerships as well as the actions that will be carried out in a school in Kinshasa and then, we hope, in other areas of the country.

The project in Malawi takes place in a more complex context: the refugee camp of Dzaleka, the largest in the country with about 60,000 people for a capacity of only 10,000 (2021). We are collaborating with a local association, whose members are all refugees and live in the camp, as well as with other organizations on the spot (UNHCR, WHH and JRS) with the aim of a common action.

In addition, we have just started a baseline study with our main partner, which will allow us not only to quantify the needs and the local facilities already in place, but also to work closely with the beneficiaries in preparation for our visit in early June. Once again, we are looking forward to all these synergies and the excitement around these projects. "

From dream to reality

In Angola, ADED is working as a technical partner with the association FARA on a project to provide clean water to the village of Mbanza-Kinza. Our collaboration began in 2019 to provide equipment and design a construction plan for the infrastructure.

Unfortunately, the pandemic disrupted all the plans for over a year. Today, we are happy to be able to give you the news that our partner David Muanza Bongo was able to go on site, to finally materialize the project and bring water from a river to the village. A few pictures to show you how a dream became a reality for the population of the village!



The floor is yours...

Henry and Martine Bouchaut

Why are they members of ADED?

To be at the side of ADED from the beginning has been an immense privilege to me. To support them just by our presence, our prayers and our modest contribution is little, but means a lot to them. A heart for the forgotten, the needy, is what ADED seeks to create in us, presenting us with the need for water in many areas and the solution to it. A rigorous organization of the projects, it is the point of honor that the whole team gives itself.

~ Henry Bouchaut

To be a member of ADED for me is not only to "contribute" to a good cause, it is to signify our approval, it is to participate in a phenomenal work for which I do not have the personal capacities to accomplish. It is to enjoy the privilege of "being there" where I cannot go, do or be, except by proxy. To be a member is to trust them, in the knowledge that they are very serious in their administrative, relational and concrete commitment in the field! Being a member of ADED is important because they have the capacity, the know-how and the passion for their work, and the more members there are, the more beneficiaries there will be for whom they will be able to create multiple points of access to water, the first necessity for life on earth!

~ Martine Bouchaut



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