

Project title

AIDSETI/DSF INTEGRATION OF ICTs IN THE FIGHT AGAINST AIDS

Country, region(s)/ city(cities) of intervention

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Brief summary of the project

The project entitled "integration of new technologies in the fight against HIV" is intended to serve as a development project for communication in the rural environment, reduction of the digital divide between the West and Africa, and to provide a solution of the problem of the HIV/AIDS pandemic by way of exchanges between local stakeholders, the infected population, and the whole world via the Internet.

Beneficiary(ies)

Target groups: actors in the fight against AIDS:

- Association personnel;
- local partners;
- pupils and teachers;
- medical and paramedical personnel;
- beneficiaries of the centre (PLHIV);
- the general population.

General aim of the project

Integration of and access to the new information technologies, training and communication among the rural population, in particular in the fight against HIV/AIDS

Specific objectives

- Objective No. 1: Connection with local partners
- Objective No. 2: Organization of a network with local and national partners
- Objective No. 3: Initiation and training in the use of new technology
- Objective No. 4: Training of ICT agents
- Objective No. 5: Provision of access to the rural population

Activities

- 1. Connection of partners by way of wifi antennae**
 - a) Reception of requests for connectivity;
 - b) Field studies;
 - c) Connection operations.
- 2. Networking with the local and national partners**
 - a) Familiarity with software;
 - b) Selection of the most appropriate software;
 - c) Acquisition of software;
 - d) Installation of software.
- 3. Initiation and training in the use of new technology**
 - a) Training workshops;
 - b) Beginners' courses in information technology
- 4. Training of ICT agents**
 - a) Identification of training needs;
 - b) Selection of trainers;
 - c) Training of trainers;
 - d) Training workshops.
- 5. Provision of access to the rural population**
 - a) Acquisition of premises,

- b) Installation of hardware;
- c) Inauguration of a community internet café.

Expected results

- all partners who have applied and returned the forms are connected;
- strengthening of the intervention capacity of the centre;
- local partners carry out exchanges of information and operate via a network;
- the rural population is familiar with the use and usefulness of the new technology;
- training in new technology is carried out for profit;
- information exchange between PLHIV is possible;
- the population receives clear and accurate information on HIV/AIDS;
- improvement of the operational capacity of health workers;
- integration of the new technologies in community development.

Success indicators (in terms of results)

- understanding of the pandemic by the population;
- improvement of the quality of life of PLHIV;
- services benefiting from the connection use it for their own purposes;
- exchange of information between partners in respect of HIV;
- perfect mastery of the information technology tool;
- motivation of actors in its use;
- integration of the information technology tool in daily life;
- reduction of the digital divide between the North and the South.

Long-term vision/ Sustainability

To ensure sustainability, the partners connected up will make a contribution to the smooth running of the installations. The community internet café will further the development of IGAs with the creation of a public secretariat and a bookstore to facilitate profitability. By giving training sessions the senior staff will help to generate funds. In addition, the experience gained in the field may attract the participation of other partners to ensure continuity of the project. Broadening of the project will be possible by wifi connection with all the 8 departments of the province, proposing similar services with a view to optimizing profitability of the project.