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ADQUA Project – Antananarivo Sustainable Neighborhood Clean-up



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Summary

enda oi set up a refuse collection system based on two fundamental elements: self-financing and capacity strengthening of existing actors. It also benefits from two years of follow-up.

A system that proved its replicability.

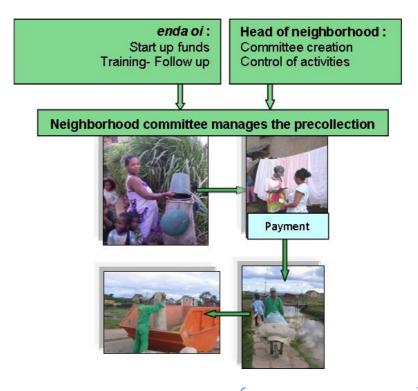
Objectives:

The sustainable clean-up of Anatananarivo neighborhoods through the establishment of systems of community refuse pre-collection.

Methodology:

Enda oi (Indian Indian Ocean) supplied funds for starting materials, and the system then is self-financing through a monthly fee (500 ariary, or \in 0.2) paid by the neighborhood households.

enda oi supports the pre-collection management committee on average for two years to ensure the good functioning of the system and its autonomization.



enda oi 's intervention strategy lies on support and capacity strengthening, in order to provide target groups with the means to accomplish projects on their own.

Operations in each neighborhood

- **Preparation** phase for the neighborhood project: the neighborhood head is reached by enda oi/the project is validated by inhabitants/the committee is formed/the system of pre-collection is designed/the committee carries out awareness-raising activities among inhabitants.
- <u>Provision of starting material and **launch** of the refuse pre-collection: the material is provided/a launch party is held/a partnership convention is signed by the neighborhood head, the committee and *enda oi*.</u>
- <u>Training and support for 2 years</u>: the committee is trained to project management/the committee raises awareness among the wider population/the committee is supported in its organizational, financial and institutional autonomization.

The project strategy lies on a **progressive sustainibilization of the systems** that have been set up in each neighborhood, thanks to the training and support provided to the committees. *enda oi* only provides the initial funds if the project is viable, i.e. with a realistic financial plan that demonstrates that the expected income will be higher than the expenditures (compensation, maintenance and renewal, awareness-raising). The follow-up provided to the committee, for two years on average, allows for an excellent command of the system and its management, and to adjust procedures if necessary.

Simple and efficiency management tools have been set up for revenue collection, financial monitoring and impact monitoring. Neighborhood committees have integrated these tools well. Every month, neighborhood committees prepare a financial report, and distribute copies to the neighborhood head and the ADQua project team. *enda oi* audits the committee accounts on a yearly basis.

enda oi **encourages collaboration** between the committees and the municipality. Workshops with committee members and municipal delegates are organized twice a year to put forward the successes in the neighborhood, and overcome existing challenges.

Results :

The project was launched in **Antananarivo** in October 2005, and has received support from Fondation Ensemble since October 2006. By December 31st 2008 pre-collection systems had been established and in operation in **29 neighborhoods** of the Malagasy capital, reaching over **190,000 people**.

Based on a study of a refuse collection system carried out in 2007, **enda oi sought to replicate the ADQua project in Mahajanga**, the 3rd city in Madagascar. The initiative was launched in March 2008; by December 2008, pre-collection systems had been functioning in 4 neighborhoods, reaching over **27,500 people.**

Sources:

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