



Action :	Removal of wild garbage dumps
Organization with experience:	Citoyens Responsable (Responsible Citizens)
Type of organization:	NGO
CoM SSA partner city:	BOUAKE (Ivory Coast)
Pillar of the SEACAP concerned by the initiative: Mitigation	

Rationale for action

According to the study of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by sector which follows from the orientation study of the energy-climate policy of the commune of Bouaké made by NITIDAE. The waste sector ranks third in GHG production after the building and transport sector with an estimate of 14,836 tonnes of CO₂. In addition, the treatment of household waste remains a major problem among the population's main concerns for the environmental question in general. This is why the NGO Citoyens Responsables initiated this project in order to contribute to the reduction of GHGs emitted by the sector and to raise awareness of the human impact on the environment and by ricochet on climate. This makes it easier for us to introduce the issue of climate change. In addition, reducing waste requires responsible consumption which will impact the production and exploitation of energy resources and raw materials. For the NGO Citoyens Responsables, the issue of waste is at the heart of climate action. Thus, by the treatment of waste we can go up the whole chain and lead to a world less voracious in resources.

Objectives of the initiative

- Neighborhood sanitation
- Raising public awareness on
- climate change
- Raise awareness of the population on environmental issues and responsible consumption

Main stages of the project / achievements-

- Identification of deposits to be deleted
- Meeting with neighborhood associations and religious guides
- Local awareness raising for local residents
- Garbage removal by the collection operator
- Site cleaning sessions by the NGO and the pre-collector
- Reconversion of cleaned sites
- Establishment of a monitoring committee



Initial aspect of a site



Site cleaning



Garbage removal



Exchange with young people



Delivery of balls and jerseys



Site converted into playground

Strengths and lessons learned

- Interest and remarkable support of the population for project activities;
- Involvement of the population and all actors and stakeholders at all stages of the project is imperative for its success;
- Inform all the administrative authorities from the start so to avoid tensions at certain times in the realization of the project;
- Getting communities to take over after the activity;
- Always offer a consensual replacement measure for its proper appropriation by the population

Challenges

- Lack of funding to undertake large-scale actions
- Weaknesses of actions of the State in cities in the country
- Public lack of interest in waste management

Actors involved

- Bouaké City administration
- National Agency for Waste Management (ANAGED)
- Company MOYA (Household waste collection operator)
- ORGAP (Operator of household waste pre-collection)
- Regional Directorate of the Ministry of the Environment
- Neighborhood associations
- Religious leaders

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