

# NGO SHOWCASE AND DEMO DAY

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## Booklet

**Presented in partnership with the German Embassy in Rwanda**

This booklet features five local partners who have successfully implemented projects advancing sustainable development with the Embassy's support.

Their stories showcase community-driven impact, long-term collaboration, and a shared vision for a better future.



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*There is a wealth of official  
and personal relations  
between Germany and  
Rwanda. I am happy to be  
here. Nejejwe no kuba hano.*

**Ambassador Heike Uta Dettmann**



# ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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Important goals of German-Rwandan cooperation are poverty reduction, promoting social cohesion and supporting the country's sustainable economic development, which also includes support for the development of the pharmaceuticals and biotechnology sector. This cooperation also contributes towards protecting global public goods like the climate, and peace and security, and towards strengthening human rights and gender equality, and supporting the future-oriented increase in the use of digital technologies.

Germany's bilateral development cooperation with Rwanda focuses on following areas:

- **Peaceful and inclusive societies** | Area of intervention: good governance
- **Sustainable economic development, training and employment** | Areas of intervention: technical and vocational education and training, private sector and financial sector development
- **Climate and energy, just transition** | Areas of intervention: adaptation to climate change and climate protection, sustainable urban development
- **Digital technology and data** | Introduction of digital technology in Rwanda with a view to improving the overall economic and political framework for the digital transformation and creating secure internet access for all population groups.



**Impact Hub Kigali** provides impact-driven entrepreneurs and innovators with technical support, resources, and strategic connections to build sustainable ventures that foster inclusive economic growth and generate positive social and environmental impact.

By applying a **systems change approach**, the organization strengthens both Rwanda's and Africa's broader entrepreneurial ecosystems, creating platforms that foster social progress and sustainable development.

As part of the **Impact Hub global network**, Impact Hub Kigali is connected to a worldwide community accelerating inclusive and sustainable innovation at scale. The organization connects entrepreneurs and innovators with corporations, investors, development agencies, and the public sector to collectively build a just and sustainable society.



# MEET THE 5 NGOs

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## WHO WE ARE

**Bengerana Jabiro** is committed to fighting ignorance and poverty by fostering community collaboration, promoting socio-economic growth, and supporting rural development. Through group initiatives, the organization empowers members to share ideas, build impactful projects, and pursue personal development. In partnership with Jabiro residents, Bengerana works to improve lives by developing key infrastructure such as schools and supporting agricultural advancement.

## WHAT WE DO

- Strengthen the socio-economic capacity of local communities
- Promote a spirit of cooperation
- Empower women-headed households
- Support socio-professional education
- Encourage diverse income-generating activities

## WE FOCUS ON

- Education
- Socio-Economic Development
- Water and Sanitation



## OUR IMPACT



**Education:**  
Built a school for **637 nursery and primary students**, all receiving daily lunch.



**Skills Training:**  
Trained community members in knitting, tailoring, modern farming, and basket weaving.



**Water – Rugando Source:** Rehabilitated the source, added storage tanks, and installed public standpipes.



Over **1,570 people** now have clean water, reducing hygiene-related illness.

## OUR FUTURE GOALS

- Strengthening the financial capacity of the organization and its supported groups
- Securing permanent markets and materials for trainees
- Supporting small-scale income-generating projects
- Assisting low-income women and children in agriculture
- Expanding water access to neighboring communities
- Promoting ITETERO: an intergenerational learning initiative
- Enhancing community literacy programs

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## WHO WE ARE

**Here for Hope Foundation** is a Rwandan non-profit organization dedicated to environmental protection, child well-being, and community empowerment. The organization integrates grassroots action, education, and policy-aligned initiatives to build sustainable futures for vulnerable communities.

## WHAT WE DO

Through their flagship Green East Deal project (budgeted at \$270,000), the Foundation focuses on:



### Landscape restoration



### Agroforestry & livelihoods:

Training farmers in climate-smart practices and promoting food security through keyhole gardens and organic fertilizer.



### Climate education:

Reaching **students** via green clubs and curricula, and certifying youth in green skills.



### Community engagement:

Mobilizing through Umuganda, cultural "Green Concerts," and local partnerships.



### Job creation & innovation:

Generating jobs and forming cooperatives for sustainable product marketing.



### Policy alignment:

Supporting Rwanda's Vision 2050, climate and gender strategies, the Paris Agreement, and relevant SDGs (5, 8, 13).

## OUR IMPACT

- **350,000+ trees** planted and **14,000 bamboo** for erosion control
- **1,000 farmers trained, 200+ green jobs created**, and **\$50,000** in local income generated
- **5,000+ students** reached with climate education; **1,200+ school** meals provided
- **30% women** beneficiaries, strengthening gender inclusion
- **3 cooperatives formed** and **12 nurseries** operationalized

## FUTURE PLANS (OCT 2025 – APRIL 2026)

- Sign MoUs with local governments for logistics and policy support
- Plant:
  - **250,000 indigenous trees** (mainly fruit-bearing)
  - **140,000 fodder trees** (Calliandra, Leucaena)
  - **10,000 urban trees** (Araca palms, Money trees)
- **20,000 bamboos** along wetlands
- Train **20 schools** in climate-smart practices and establish **school gardens**
- Promote green transport via bicycle distribution
- Expand **school feeding programs**
- Launch climate awareness campaigns, promote gender equality, and monitor erosion

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## WHO WE ARE



Rwanda National Association  
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RNADW "UMUCYO"

The **Rwanda National Association of Deaf Women (RNADW)** "Umucyo", is a Rwandan non-profit organization founded in 2005 and officially registered in 2014. It was established by Deaf women and human rights activists to advocate for the rights, inclusion, and empowerment of Deaf women and girls. RNADW works to break down barriers caused by gender and disability discrimination and ensures that Deaf women have a voice in national development.

## WHAT WE DO

RNADW promotes inclusion through:



**Advocacy for human rights**, gender equality, and access to justice and health services.



**Education & Communication Access:** Rwandan Sign Language training for Deaf women and service providers.



**Socio-Economic Empowerment:** Vocational training in tailoring, culinary arts, digital literacy, and entrepreneurship.



**Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights (SHR):** Awareness campaigns and education reaching thousands of Deaf women.



**Community Engagement & Awareness:** GBV prevention, legal education, and inclusive youth center programs.



**Strategic Partnerships:** Collaborates with institutions like the German Embassy to enhance training, visibility, and policy influence.

## OUR IMPACT

- **500+ women trained** in sign language, improving service access.
- **300+ Deaf women supported** with vocational skills for financial independence.
- **3,000 women educated** on reproductive health.
- **1,000 people reached** through Gender-Based Violence awareness efforts.
- **1,000 active members**, with growing grassroots advocacy.
- Partnered with the **German Embassy** to empower 200 women and train 300+ community members in disability rights.
- **Success stories** like Yvonne's highlight transformative social and economic impact.

## FUTURE PLANS

RNADW's strategic vision is built around five pillars:



**Championing Rights:** Expand SHR education and dignity for Deaf women and girls.



**Empowering Through Education:** Increase access to formal and vocational training.



**Fostering Leadership:** Promote Deaf women's participation in decision-making spaces.



**Advocating for Justice:** Address digital exclusion and climate justice for Deaf communities.



**Building a Hub for Innovation:** Transform RNADW into a national center for Deaf women's empowerment and innovation.

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# sustainable villages foundation

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## WHO WE ARE

The **Sustainable Villages Foundation** is a non-profit organization founded in **2020**, with offices in **Potsdam and Berlin (Germany)** and active operations in Rwanda, recognized by MINALOC and the Rwanda Governance Board. The foundation is governed by a binational board of trustees (four Rwandans, three Germans), chaired by **Francine Munyaneza**, and led by **Joachim Hauschopp** and **Daniel Schmidt**.

Their pilot project is based in **Juru Sector, Bugesera District** (34,000 inhabitants), with the long-term mission to develop and scale a **holistic village model** across **100 village clusters**, impacting **250,000 people**.



## WHAT WE DO

Sustainable Villages Foundation designs and implements community-driven development programs through:



**Community Engagement:** Consulting with residents and leaders to identify needs.



**Thematic Planning:** Developing action plans across key areas:

- ◇ Education
- ◇ Water & Sanitation
- ◇ Clean Energy
- ◇ Agriculture & Nutrition
- ◇ Health
- ◇ Income Generation



**Resource Mobilization:** Fundraising and coordinating partnerships to implement solutions.



**Pilot Implementation:** Already active in 12 villages throughout Juru Sector.

## OUR IMPACT

Developed and began testing a **holistic rural development model** in **12 villages covering 34,000 residents** in Juru Sector.

Built strong partnerships with local government and communities.

Laid the groundwork **to scale up to 100 villages**, aiming to benefit **250,000 people** with improved services in education, energy, water, farming, and income generation.

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## FUTURE PLANS

The foundation aims to scale and deepen its impact with the following goals in Juru and beyond:



### WATER & ENERGY

- ◇ Provide clean water to all households on Juru Mountain
- ◇ Install clean cookstoves and irrigation systems
- ◇ Ensure electricity in all schools (3 still unelectrified)
- ◇ Set up a seamless cold chain to reduce food waste



### EDUCATION

- ◇ Equip all schools with smart classrooms (5 more to go)
- ◇ Build additional classrooms to ease overcrowding

- ◇ Improve teacher skills in IT and English
- ◇ Reintegrate 10% of school dropouts
- ◇ Enhance school feeding programs in 10 schools
- ◇ Construct new nursery schools
- ◇ Offer adult literacy training



### AGRICULTURE & LIVELIHOODS

- ◇ Increase farm productivity and food security
- ◇ Support income generation for farmers
- ◇ Equip youth with skills for jobs beyond agriculture

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**TUJYANEMO-HDVC** is a Rwandan community-based organization dedicated to promoting **inclusion, dignity, and empowerment of children with disabilities**, particularly in **rural and underserved areas**. The organization was recognized by the **U.S. Embassy in 2019** and featured internationally through the **IVLP USA** program. It is known for establishing Rwanda's **first community-led rehabilitation center in Kabuga/Masaka**.

## WHAT WE DO

TUJYANEMO-HDVC delivers integrated programs focused on disability inclusion, health, and community empowerment:



**Community-Based Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation:**  
Through a center in Kabuga offering therapy and support.



**Inclusive Early Childhood Development (ECD):** Operates inclusive ECD centers in Kabuga and Gakenke.



**Caregiver Empowerment:**  
Provides training in home care, economic empowerment, and peer support for parents.



**Permagardening & Nutrition:**  
Supports household permagardens and nutrition-focused agriculture.



**Disability Rights Advocacy:**  
Raises awareness to shift community attitudes and promote inclusion.

## OUR IMPACT

- Reached **250+ children with disabilities** through therapy and care.
- Established **inclusive ECD centers**, with **88 children** currently enrolled.
- Created **250+ perma-gardens**, boosting **nutrition and household income**.
- Trained **hundreds of mothers** in home-based care.
- Built **therapy rooms**, launched **women-led savings** groups, and supported **peer leadership** among caregivers.
- Recognized nationally and internationally for **inclusive, community-led development**.

## FUTURE PLANS

TUJYANEMO-HDVC is committed to deepening and expanding its inclusive model with these priorities:



Expand to inclusive primary education



Promote inclusion in public schools through ongoing advocacy



Build additional therapy and training rooms



Train community health volunteers to extend care access



**Vision:** A future where children with disabilities are educated, empowered, and included, and their families are resilient and thriving.

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