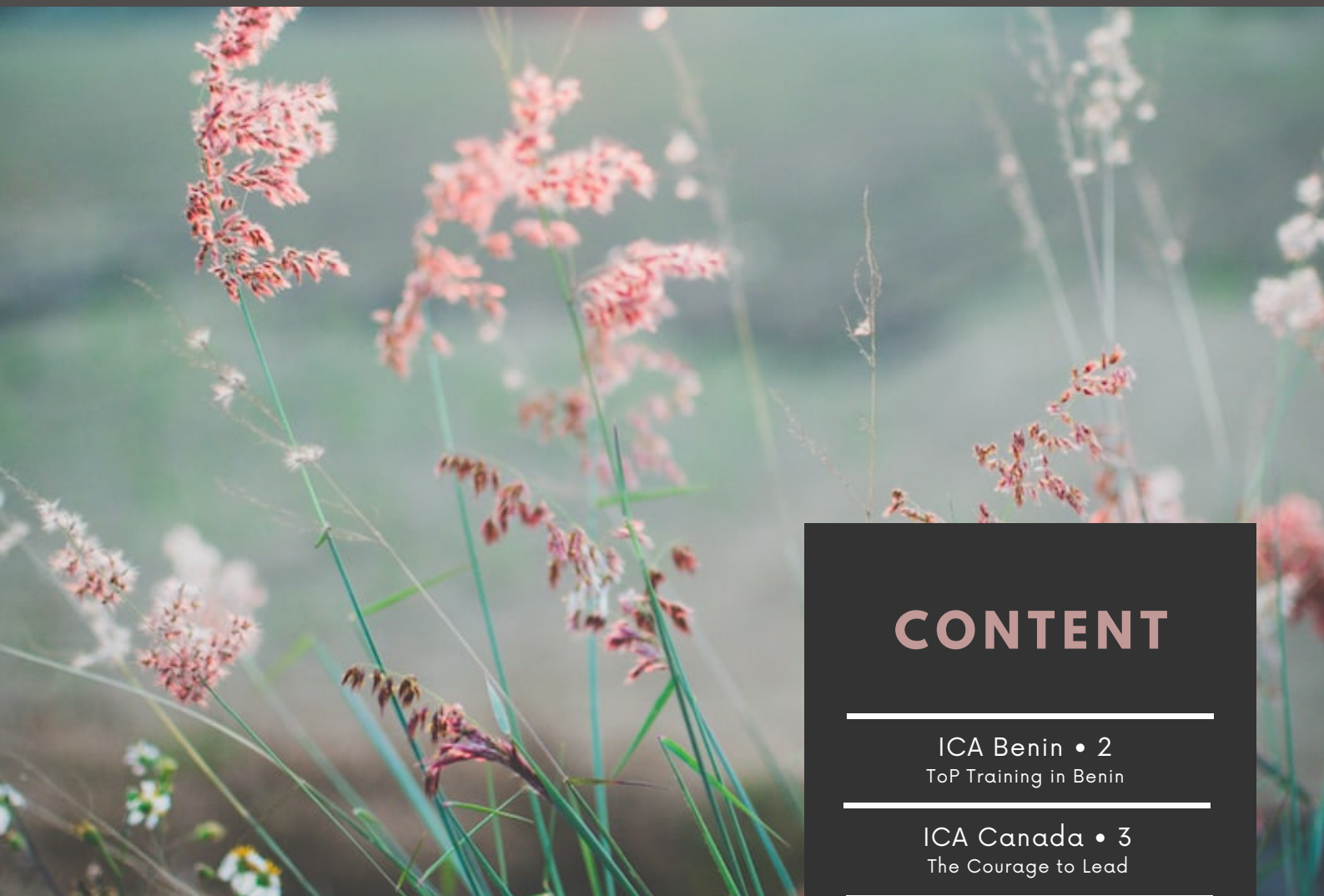


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ToP Training in Benin

From 6 to 14 June 2023, ICA Benin's training project in partnership with Auburn University (Alabama) took place in Cotonou. Because of the large number (180) of young people trained in 2022, the government of Benin decided to support us this year. One hundred twenty were trained in 2023. The government provided a comfortable training room and a good car for local transport for attendees.

Among these participants, the government chose 24 to become trainers in order to involve more young people in the country. ICA Benin was selected to train them with ToP methods (GFM). This training took place on 5 July 2023 with 20 participants. We decided to train them in Workshop Methods, focusing on the topic: "What are the actions to be taken in order to revitalize our cooperative?"

All participants were very satisfied. At the end of the training, Adaman said, "This technology is very effective and clear. Unlike other training sessions, I have found today that this method gives all participants the opportunity to contribute to the search for consensus."



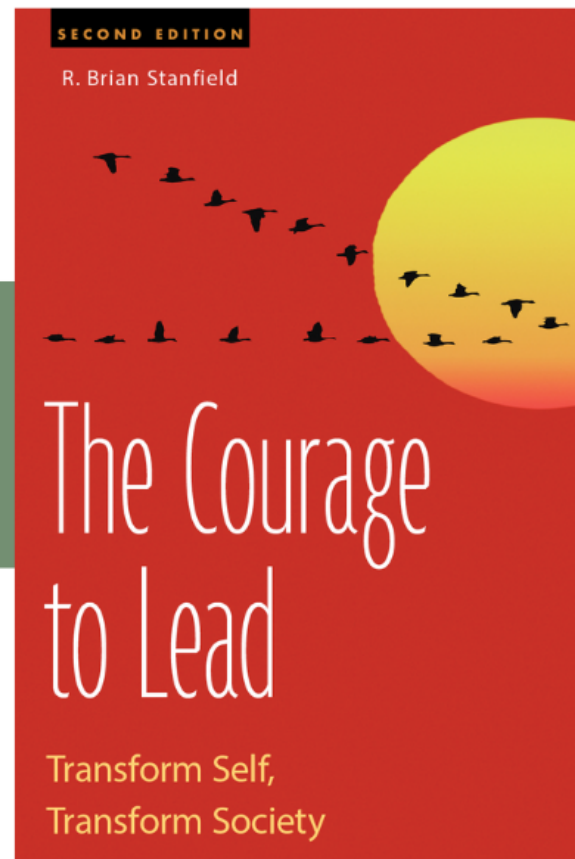
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The Year of Youth

The year 2023, having been declared the Year of Youth in Côte d'Ivoire, the Deputy Mayor of Méagui, Mr N'RI Yao, has embarked on a series of training sessions for young people and women in different communities of his Commune and even of the Sub-Prefecture of Méagui.

An initial training course (February 14 to 16, 2023 for 35 people) had five modules: chicken farming techniques (broilers and layers), rabbits, pigs, snail and mutton.

The second training session (June 05 to 08, 2023 in the wedding hall of the town hall of Méagui) focused on chicken and snail farming techniques and mushroom production techniques. This training was led by Messrs: KOUAME Konan Eugene, Executive Director of ICA Côte d'Ivoire and AMANI Koffi, Sociologist international expert in Development.

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L'année de la Jeunesse

L'année 2023, ayant été déclarée l'année de la jeunesse en Côte d'Ivoire, Monsieur le Député-Maire de Méagui, Monsieur N'RI Yao, s'est engagé dans une série de formations en faveur des jeunes et femmes des différentes communautés de sa Commune et même de la Sous-Préfecture de Méagui.

Ainsi après une première formation organisée (14 au 16 février 2023 pour 35 personnes) dans 5 modules : les techniques d'élevage de poulets (poulets de chair et pondeuses), de lapin, de porc, d'escargot et de mouton.

La présente session de formation qui vient d'être tenue (05 au 08 Juin 2023) dans la salle de mariages de la Mairie de Méagui a porté sur les techniques d'élevage de poulets, d'escargot et les techniques des productions de champignons. Cette formation a été animée par Messieurs KOUAME Konan Eugene, Directeur exécutif de l'ICA Côte d'Ivoire et AMANI Koffi, Sociologue expert international en Développement.

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Tree Planting Programs

ICA Japan has continued to financially support tree-planting programs in schools in Isinya, Kajiado County in Kenya.

Enkorika Secondary School is located in Kajiado County, Kenya. There are 300 students, 16 teachers, 9 support staff and 285 parents.

This is a boarding school for boys, securely fenced with wire fences and has two water sources, a borehole and a water pan/dam reservoir. Planted 500 saplings between April – June 2023: 50 sprouted Washington navel oranges, 50 grafted apple mangoes, 50 grafted hass avocados, 50 guavas, 50 papayas, 50 mzambalaus, 50 African olive trees, 50 neems and 50 warburg ugandaneis

Project Justification: Training students on planting a variety of trees in schools, good agricultural practices, and the importance of trees and forest cover.



ICA Nepal Environment Team for Sustainable Planet

Climate Crises and Regenerative Development has been a serious concern area of Nepal, hence; we have been conducting various workshops and programs for a sustainable planet.

On 30 May, ICA Nepal conducted a Workshop on Plastic Free School at New Vision Academy where the students were introduced to 3R Practices and various methodologies to prevent single-use plastic along with group activities. The students also wrote about commitment and their motive for a plastic-free school.

ICA Nepal celebrated World Environment Day 2023 in coordination with New Vision Academy. The cleanliness campaign took place at Koteshwor, Kathmandu where the student group cleaned a total of 2 km sq. The campaign was inspired by the theme for World Environment Day 2023 which was "Beat Plastic Pollution".

On 15th June, ICA Nepal conducted Workshop on Plastic Free School at Prabhat Secondary School. The workshop participants totaled 47 students from class 9(B) with age groups ranging from 12 to 16. Through the session, we intended to make students aware of how to minimize single-use plastic.

The ICA Nepal Environment Team conducted a follow-up program at New Vision Academy on 30 June 2023. It highlighted the discussion on changes and commitment adherence after the workshop. The students also committed to making their classroom a Plastic Free Zone. Further, the ICA Environment Team will hold a final follow-up program at the end of July and form an Eco-Club.

Let's Talk Periods

In May, Focusing on Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM), ICA Nepal shared 28 facts and stories surrounding Menstruation. Being one of the core programs of ICA Nepal, we have been embracing menstrual pride and debunking myths.

On 26th May, ICA Nepal conducted an awareness-raising program on Menstrual Hygiene Management at Sri Koteswar Saraswati Secondary School. The program was attended by 63 participants including both male and female students. Hygiene during menstruation, physical changes during adolescence, and the support of all families during menstruation were discussed during the program. The teachers, students, and volunteers shared their first menstruation experiences and stigmas around it.

On 28 May, on the occasion of Menstrual Hygiene Day, ICA Nepal held a stall to showcase and raise awareness regarding Menstrual Hygiene Management. The program was hosted by MHMPA Nepal at the National Assembly House.

Fight Inequality Alliance Global Gathering

ICA Nepal participated in the Global Gathering regarding the Fight against Inequality. The movement included 80 participants both global and national which was held at Nepal Electricity Authority Training Centre, Bhaktapur, Nepal as well as virtually. The objective of the movement was to set a common agenda to fight inequality over the coming period, ensure we care, share, and learn from each other and take action locally in solidarity with Fight Inequality Alliance Nepal's struggles and build strong global solidarity.

School Support Program

ICA Nepal supported school uniforms and handkerchiefs at Janapriya Primary School, Parbat, Nepal through Ms. Kesha Kumari and will continue providing support in the future if needed.

Youth Course on Climate Change

ICA Nepal in coordination with Common Earth, Canada conducted an orientation program on 16th June. The 20-week virtual program offers in-depth insights into systems thinking, the journey of the universe, the human experience, and the wisdom of nature which will be offered in September.

Envisioning Nepal for the 21st Century through Monthly Talk Series

ICA Nepal in coordination with Imagine Nepal has been conducting a Friday Talk Series on the first Friday of every month. In May, and June ICA Nepal organized the series on Appreciative Practices of Healthy Lifestyles by Dr. Dhruva Acharya, Cultured Education, and Cultured Life by Anju Bhattarai respectively. This initiative aims at youths to promote and share INNOVATION and START-UP Ideas and get support for their Dream Projects. The program consists of a series of sharing sessions, talk shows as well as dialog discussions for the future.

Summer Intern

This summer, ICA welcomed an incoming Senior from Loyola University, Ixchel Barraza Zapata, majoring in Environmental Studies and minoring in Political Science, as a Summer intern. Ixchel is working with the ICA team to develop community outreach plans for Uptown residents and expand existing programs such as Carbon Free Leaders and the Carbon Free Building Demonstrations (CFBD) Collaborative.

This year, the CFBD has expanded from four to nine buildings committed to living lighter on the Earth. Each month the Collaborative tours each other's sites with their property managers and maintenance people. During the tours, the host shares their vision for becoming carbon free and challenges. Informative discussions emerge regarding the uniqueness of each building and suggestions for potential changes. In July, we toured a 44-unit condo association that joined the Collaborative last year.



Ixchel Barraza Zapata

"I joined the ICA because when I learned more about Carbon Free Leaders and their objective to catalyze the Uptown community to become carbon-free, I knew I had to be a part of it. It especially felt fitting for me since I have always been passionate about storytelling and connecting people for a common cause. Furthermore, the ICA's mission to promote a just and equitable society through sustainability aligns with my core values. I knew I wanted to help further that mission and learn more about facilitating collaboration through social change."



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