



as the existing potentials at a local level, in terms of raw materials, human resources, and also educational capacities and needs. New models were conceived with the following objectives:

- to meet contemporary needs,
- to maximise the use of the locally available materials in a sustainable way,
- to optimize the use of the needed industrial materials in order to ensure affordability and sustainability
- to foster qualification and job creation

The three-year project has been very dense and many activities have been developed. The new architectural models and the building techniques developed have been reviewed by all stakeholders. The models obtained have proven to be efficient and are seen as a real contribution to the quest of establishing a sustainable development process. Since the first achievements, interest of the beneficiaries has increased and numerous demands have been expressed. Individuals and local institutions have imitated the architectural models developed throughout the project.

There is a great enthusiasm in Bushenyi district and a strong wish to continue the project to meet the needs of the district

population in terms of the qualification of skilled artisans and the creation of a variety of buildings. Beyond that, other districts have been aware of the project and wish to implement a similar development strategy in their own areas. To respond to these new demands, a second phase of the project is under design, and a project proposal will be submitted to supporting agencies.

All the project partners are strongly committed to the implementation of the project results and to continue to use this development approach and methodology, gradually expanding to other areas of the country. At a national level, addressing the issue of norms and standards is also being considered. The institutions involved are very complementary, allowing a comprehensive know-how transfer and an efficient exchange capacity between building professionals and decision makers, acting towards a better contribution of the building industry to the sustainable development of the country. This common effort is a key factor to the successful improvement of the living conditions of the people of Uganda. This model can be a base to be recommended in developing strategies, particularly in those aiming at solving similar housing problems in other parts of the world.

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