

Second training of the Angoche Youth Hub: Empowering young people for political participation and local development

- After holding the pilot training of the Angoche Youth Hub in July, the Center for Democracy and Development (CDD) held, between the 22nd and 26th August, the training of the second cohort of 30 young people in Angoche. The training is takes place as part of the Social Cohesion Program in Northern Mozambique, implemented in the provinces of Nampula, Cabo Delgado and Niassa.





During the five days, young people are trained on Civic Engagement, Conflict Resolution and Negotiation, Leadership, 21st Century Skills, Entrepreneurship and Community

Development Projects.

The second group of trainees selected to integrate the Angoche Youth Hub had the opportunity to interact and share experiences with the alumni.



Amina Ussene is 18 years old and has completed high school in the National Education System. Amina described her training experience in the following terms: "The training was very good, it was very motivating and it helped us a lot to have a vision for the future. Most of us are out of school and not doing anything. But now, with this training, we feel empowered to start a project for community development. Another important aspect of this training was the fact that it taught us that as young people we can achieve our dreams as long as we are determined. This help me to decide to apply to Universidade Lúrio, to study General Medicine, a dream that I thought was impossible due to the high competitiveness that exists".



RAFIQUI ARTUR (ALUMNI)

Rafique Artur, who participated in the training encouraged by his father, said that the training was very positive and he learned about the use of new technologies to promote positive changes, leadership, conflict resolution and entrepreneurship.



ROSALINA ZEFERINO (ALUMNI)

Rosalina Zeferino said that there should be Youth Hubs in all the districts because it gives young people the opportunity to learn. "I'm in a group of four people and we're doing a tailoring project. We will publish the photos of our products and services on the internet so that people are see our business. We will also teach other girls to sew, by charging a symbolic fee. Therefore, I thank the CDD for the experience and I invite everyone to join the Angoche Youth Hub".

Additionally, Rosalina Zeferino, said that the training was useful as, before the project, she did not know how to manage conflicts. "I was a very nervous person and could not manage my problems calmly. But due to this training I learned how to manage conflicts and look at problems as part of life and try to overcome them".



ABÍLIO USSENE, COORDENATOR OF CDD IN ANGOCHE AND YOUTH HUB LEADER

According to Abílio Ussene, CDD Coordinator in Angoche and Leader of the Youth Hub, apart from promoting the participation of youth in local governance, the Social Cohesion program is already awakening in young people the need to create initiatives to promote their personal development and the development of their communities. For example, the trainees who participated in the pilot training in late July are already designing their projects and of the 30 graduates, 5 have already submitted their projects and are being supported in structuring a business plan

In the entrepreneurship module, trainees are challenged to create community development projects so that, in a competitive process, CDD selects and supports the implementation of the best project. After an intense week of training,

the trainees had the opportunity to share their ideas and proposals for community development projects for evaluation. Around, agriculture, fishing and tailoring, the trainees shared their expectations and their post-training vision.






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