GETTING INVOLVED

Promoting the development of

diaspora organisations

Using career orientation to combat youth unemployment in Nigeria and Cameroon

Together with local organisations, the association Mapubi e.V. is building a bridge between the education system and the labour market in Nigeria and Cameroon. With its professional orientation activities, it aims to help young people embark on the right career path.



IMPACT STORY



'We want to give something back to our home countries. In the field of education, we help improve young people's lives.'

Olivia Davis-Mbou, Mapubi e.V.

DIASPORA ORGANISATION Mapubi e. V. COUNTRY OF ASSIGNMENT Nigeria and Cameroon PARTNER ORGANISATION Save A Child Save A Nation (SACSAN) and Paradigm Initiative in Nigeria, Institut Universitaire de Technologie Duala (IUT) in Cameroon

Young people are often insufficiently prepared for the world of work. In many African countries, this is one of many reasons for high youth unemployment. Funded by the Programme Migration & Diaspora on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the German-based association Mapubi e.V. aims to change that. With the 'My future now' project, its members work to promote a realistic perception of the labour market and combat brain drain. They organise career development measures for young people - especially girls - in Nigeria and Cameroon. In doing so, they work together with their partner organisations in these two countries. In summer schools, pupils and students receive support in deciding on the right training course, studies or job. Further help is provided in the form of visits to businesses, and mentor networks. Around 1,000 participants have already taken advantage of these measures. They include many parents and ten teachers who will continue this work in the future.

'With Mapubi e. V., we have set up a pilot career development programme for ninth graders. It is now being taken up and continued by other schools and church groups. I am grateful for the opportunity to achieve far-reaching effects.'



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