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Welcoming word from the Executive Director

Dear CIDI Newsletter reader
 Welcome to our first issue of CIDI's Newsletter!
 First of all, let me take this opportunity to greet our readers and thank all employees, board members, different stakeholders, beneficiaries and donors for the excellent work and the many achievements throughout 2012!

We hope that this Newsletter can be used as a forum to inform you of important happenings at CIDI since in our view sharing information and giving feedback to everyone involved with CIDI is very important!
 Our aim is to send out a newsletter on a quarterly basis to update you of future events, report on achievements, give new information on current is-

suues and encourage you to share opinions with CIDI. Meanwhile, if you have any comments or suggestions for future newsletters, please send them directly to CIDI's Communication Manager at cidi@cidiuganda.org.
 I hope that you enjoy our Newsletter and that you are looking forward to the next edition!

Upcoming events and ACTIVITIES:

- ◆ Annual Planning Meeting: Mid February 2013
- ◆ Next staff meeting: 01/02/2013
- ◆ Wash United School sensitization and Football event : Mid February.
- ◆ Launch of S-Wash project in February.

Important achievements (1)

First graduates of TCGL!

The CIDI – Training Centre for Gardening and Landscaping (TCGL) is the first of its kind in Uganda. Since 2010 the TCGL recruits disadvantaged urban youth for a 2 year training in gardening and landscape design by demanding low school fees and offering diverse sponsoring programmes. Within these two years the TCGL students gain knowledge in Botany, Biology, Landscaping, Plant Production and Protection, Urban Agriculture, Vegetable Production and Business-English.

On November 20th. 2012 we celebrated successfully the very first graduation! The celebration was hosted by the



With the German Ambassador to Uganda and his wife, the patroness of TCGL.

patroness of the TCGL, Mrs. Duexmann, wife of the German Ambassador to Uganda, at their residence.

The 14 graduates were awarded a certificate level

2 that is recognized by the Ministry of Education and Sports. 11 of them even received the TCGL-Diploma. 93% of the graduated students are employed; three of them have started their own business.

We convey our gratitude to the Ministry of Education and Sports (MOES) for their continuous support. We are grateful for the welcome at the German Residence by our School Patron, Mrs.

Duexmann. We thank our sponsors MISERIOR, GIZ, Multiple Industries, IWO, Action Canchanambury, customers and friends for their interests and believing in TCGL. We thank CIDI management CIDI, its staff and the teachers who put a lot of efforts in teaching and encouraging the students. We thank all parents and relatives who have been a big help for the students at home. And last but not least, we thank the students for being part of TCGL's achievement!



The smiling graduates of TCGL!

Important achievements (2)

WASH United Launch

WASH United is a new initiative bringing together international and African civil society organizations, **United Agencies**, Governments and leading football players to use the power of sport to promote safe drinking water, sanitation and hygiene for all people. The initiative is focusing on eight Sub Saharan

countries, namely; Uganda, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Mali and Lesotho. In Uganda, WASH United was founded by WASH United Germany with GIZ/RUWAS and the activity implementation is facilitated and monitored by UWASNET. CIDI is selected as the local NGO implementing

WASH United activities in Kampala in collaboration with its partners. On 23/11/2012, the second phase of the innovative WASH United campaign was launched at St. Peter's Primary school Nsambya. The event which also commemorated this year's World Toilet Day was greatly attended by Government officials, development partners, division

leaders and the general public. In this regard, CIDI is organizing trainings targeting Youth Clubs and schools in Makindye and Rubaga Municipalities.

Management Information system (MIS)

In February 2013 CIDI will proudly launch its databank, which was developed through hard work in 2012. With this Management Information System, it is very confident to further improve the quality and quantity of data. The database will be used by all projects, in the

Incoming and outgoing staff

Outgoing;

- ◆ David Katende (Teamleader Soroti) left for further studies to Denmark.
- ◆ Ilse Dhondt (M&E) recently moved back to her home country Belgium.
- ◆ Olupot Felix (Field Extension Officer) from CIDI Soroti.
- ◆ Ikwap Samuel (Field Ex-

Incoming;

- ◆ Sam Lukanga Formaly M&E Kampala took up the new task as Teamleader Soroti.
- ◆ Apio Dorcus as Field Extension Officer Soroti.
- ◆ Eletu Emmanuel as Field Extension Officer Amuria
- ◆ Tukei Moses Emmanuel as Field Extension Officer

Baby news:

- ◆ On 1st October Joannitah Nasuuna (Project Manager E-Wash) had a healthy baby boy.

Introductions/weddings:

- ◆ On December 14th, IT Manager, Fred Sekamatte got introduced to his fiancée Christine in Namasuba.

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