

Le Futur est à Nous SummerCamp is a project that began with the need to educate Congolese youth about environmental sustainability and, more specifically, to reduce the pollution caused by plastic waste.

Known also as LNF Summer, the camp was a series of conferences designed to raise awareness among Congolese youth of the need to contribute to the sustainability of Kinshasa's environment, specifically by recycling plastic bottles.

This summer camp from August 7 to 11 raised awareness among young people aged 14 to 18 through film screenings, discussion debates, and creative workshops on the importance of contributing to recycling for a sustainable future for our generation.

Participants:

- learned about "plastic" materials and their impact on the environment
- Learn about the dangers of using plastic in our daily lives
- Understood the vital role of sorting plastic waste, more specifically plastic bottles, and the need to recycle them.

The organization of this project began at the beginning of July with the opening of an Instagram page that brought together Internet users through Instagram Live, whose subjects were to discuss and debate recycling in Kinshasa. Internet users were then invited to a series of events from August 7 to 11.

The first day was a presentation on the topic, which enabled many participants to acknowledge their share of responsibility for plastic bottle pollution in their daily lives. The second day was spent watching a documentary which helped to understand the role that consumers play in the important task of sorting to reduce pollution.

The following days were devoted to creative workshops that enabled participants to learn how to use their plastic waste by transforming it into useful everyday objects.

The project also funded the Manyanga School Complex with plastic garbage cans that will enable primary school pupils to learn about waste sorting in each classroom, as well as providing the school with garbage cans to be collected on a weekly basis.

The project was a success, with participants declaring, as one put it: "Now that I'm more aware of the dangers of plastic pollution, I'll be much more careful about my actions when I dispose of my garbage".

But also following the positive impact of the project, a collaboration to raise awareness among the youngest children will be organized in collaboration with the head of the Manyanga school complex.







