

Expert-Service Voucher No 1

1. Purpose:

Upgrading an existing Climbing Kiln „Four Amélioré“ for the combustion of wood-chips fuel

2. Criteria for receiving the voucher

Entrepreneurs to receive this support must fulfil the following conditions:

- Be situated in our intervention zone (Rutsiro, Ngororero, Karongi, Nyamasheke & Rusizi)
- Must have an active business (working regularly)
- Must be willing to adopt new technology; i.e, environmental friendly fuel, production of new products

3. Voucher value: \$500-

This Voucher entitles the Cooperative /Entrepreneur to receive technical support from selected experts and qualified practitioners for the supporting the entrepreneur in

1. The adaptation of the kiln
2. The identification of suitable fuel and soil

4. Preconditions for “cashing” the voucher No 1:

1. The site is cleared
2. Skilled masons and a firing crew are identified and a contract for construction work is signed
3. The roof is lifted at least 2.5m above the arch-level
4. The chimney has the minimum length of XX.xxm
5. Experts and practitioners are selected and approved by Skat
6. A detailed service contract with the experts is signed, including exact tasks, responsibilities, daily rates of the contractors and contributions of the brick- and tile-maker cooperative /entrepreneur (a model contract is attached to this voucher)
7. All preparations are visited and approved by Skat

5. Services which can be covered by this voucher:

- Technical expertise in from of advising and supervision
- Staff training services
- Practitioners support for key activities
- Support in identifying suitable building material, raw material and fuel

6. Services which cannot be covered by this voucher:

- Expenditures on construction (material and labour)
- Third party expertise
- Food, accommodation and local transportation (e.g. between brickyard, accommodation, bus stop)
- Working equipment

7. Selection of technical service providers

The entrepreneur /cooperative selects the experts/ practitioners based on his own analysis of particular needs and the respective skills and expertise of the service providers.

For standard services, experts shall be selected from a shortlist of experts known by Skat.

8. Responsibilities

- The entrepreneur /cooperative is entirely responsible for the collaboration with the selected experts, their service delivery in terms of quantity and quality.
- Skat will only inspect the final result of the kiln upgrading and, if satisfactory, approve Voucher No 2

9. Terms & conditions

- This voucher is designed only for a single transaction; any remaining amount is not exchangeable with cash or another voucher and will be automatically forfeited.
- Any additional cost exceeding the value of this voucher will be paid by the entrepreneur.
- This voucher is only valid for the period specified in contract between the entrepreneur and the constructor.

Voucher No 2

After completion, Voucher No 2 can be “cashed” for supporting the first two firing cycles: for this case, the same criteria and conditions will be applied