# The Yaou Project

# 1/Summary

Description of the project	The Yaou project aims to donate 5000 books and equipment to the library of Yaou, a village in Ivory coast.
Goal of the project	-Enhance access to educational resources for the local population -Promote the desire to read for children and adults -Promote culture and education -Support learning and personal development
Required resources	-Books -Equipment(computers, drawing materials, etc)
Owner of the library	Yaou Village
Beneficiairies	Approx 800 students from Yaou proper and students from the city of Bonoua
Partner	For this project, Rabao is working in collaboration with the ministry of culture of Ivory Coast. The region Sud comoe is represented by Razack Sidi
Expected budget	14831 EUR
Project expected delivery date	December 2014

### 2/Background of the project

The idea of this project came about during a discussion with an old university colleague. During his visit to the Netherlands, we discussed the importance and need for educational resources in Ivorian libraries. He informed me about a new project in Yaou where a library was recently built but it still lacked educational resources. This sparked the birth of the Rabao charity to support the fruition and realization of the Yaou project.

Gisele Doh, Rabao Chairperson

### 3/Situation Of Yaou

Yaou is a village located in the south of Ivory coast. The village of Yaou neighbours the city of Bonoua that has more than 6 secondary schools. The library will be used by the inhabitants of Yaou and Bonoua

The choice of Yaou for the library is good for several reasons. Due to lack of infrastructure, villagers tend to move to cities which causes depopulation of countryside. By assisting the Yaou library, Rabao is supporting access to education for all and helping to maintain the rural community.

## 4/Library of Yaou in pictures

The library has been renovated in July 2013 by the people of Yaou but it remains empty to date.

# a-Before renovation









## **b-After renovation**













# 5/Kind of resources required

#### a-Books

Type of books	Number
Children's literature	
collection	1500
Encyclopedias	500
Schoolbooks	1000
Technical books	500
Literacy teaching books	500
Other/ Novels	1000
Total	5000

### **b-Other equipment**

computers, scanner, pencils, boards etc...

## **6/ Activities**

# a-Activities organised by Rabao for the Yaou project

Collection of books and equipment

Fund raising

Transportation of the goods from Europe to the port of Abidjan

# b-Activities organised by the Ministry of Culture for the Yaou project

Payment of customs fees for the books and materials imported to the Ivory coast

Transportation of goods from port of Abidjan to Yaou

Oversee management of the Yaou library

Report periodically on the Yaou library

#### 7/How can you help?

#### **Donations**

#### Books:

Especially French books, otherwise English, Spanish and German books which meet our criteria

It is important that the books are suited to the needs of the local population .

You can always drop an email to Rabao <a href="mailto:info@rabao.org">info@rabao.org</a> in order to check if your books meet the criteria

#### • Equipment:

Computers, scanner, pencils, boards etc...

#### Money:

This will allow us to buy some specialised books e.g encyclopedias and dictionaries.

It will also help us to cover storage, packing and shipment to the port of Abidjan

Rabao is a transparent organisation and you can be assured that all donations will be used for the project

# **Sponsorship**

Become partner of Rabao on this project and support education .

If you are interested, please send an email to  $\underline{info@rabao.og}$  for a sponsor plan

# **Volunteering**

Participate in activities that will be organised by Rabao