

# Energy-efficient cooking bags, Cameroon



**Energy-efficient cooking bags significantly reduce the demand for fuel in rural and suburban regions of Cameroon. This protects the tree population, reduces CO2 emissions, creates job opportunities and contributes to the easing of poverty.**

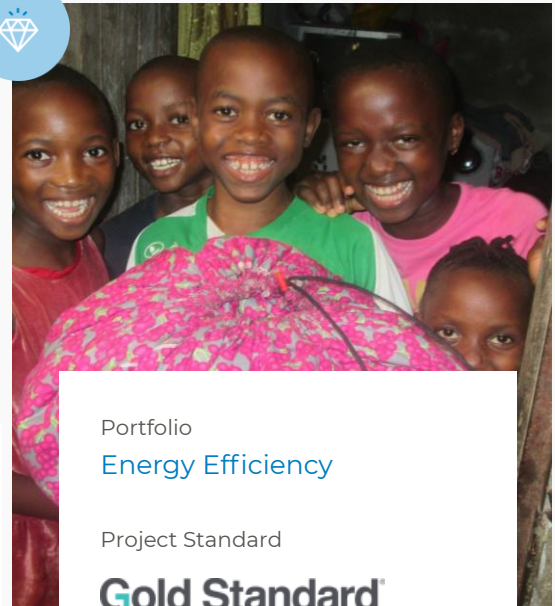
In rural and suburban areas of Cameroon, people have no or only occasional access to electricity. Therefore, cooking with firewood is common. Especially for women and children, this means that they must travel long distances to collect firewood and then spend a lot of time preparing food on the three-stone fire. The harmful smoke produced by burning wood on the traditional stoves causes serious health problems for the women and children in the house. Climate change and the overuse of local wood resources also endanger the livelihoods of the population.

## The Project:

As part of the project, a total of 6,000 families will receive energy-efficient cooking bags, the so-called "Wonderbags", from 2018 to 2023. These ensure better and cleaner combustion of the fuels.

## The Benefits:

In addition to the pure climate protection effect, the project contributes to the achievement of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The global goals for sustainable development developed by the United Nations consider all three dimensions of sustainability: social justice, environmental protection and sustainable economic activity. The project protects the local environment by preserving the forest as an important habitat for animals and plants. The health of the local population, especially women and children, also benefits from a significant reduction in smoke emissions and the associated decrease in respiratory diseases. The savings in fuel also allow the population to invest the time that would otherwise have been spent collecting wood and the money to buy charcoal in other areas of life. By creating job opportunities, the project thus contributes to ease the poverty.



Portfolio

Energy Efficiency

Project Standard

**Gold Standard**  
Climate Security & Sustainable Development

Emission Reduction

approx. 36,300 t CO2e p.a.

Project Status

VER, certified (GS 5444)

Project Location

Regions Littoral, Qwest and  
Sudqwest in Cameroon

Project Verification

The Gold Standard  
Foundation

Sustainable Development Goals



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