



Pilot training for youth social workers from Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone

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Due to the urgency of the youth question, three GTZ programmes in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone have been implementing joint youth activities in a sub-regional approach. One important goal of the Sector Project is to generate and make available lessons learnt from the youth projects funded by German development cooperation. It is against this background that AVEDIS Social Development Consultants has been awarded a contract to conceptualise, implement and evaluate a pilot training for youth social workers from Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone to be conducted in Sierra Leone in January 2010. The training will be based on the TWIGA/SUNGURA model from Uganda and Kenya. The overall goal of the project is to enhance the capacities of youth social workers from Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone in the areas of youth-friendly methods of social work through the application of a tailor-made training programme. The pilot will generate recommendations for scaling-up. In case of a successful pilot measure, the development and implementation of a full training programme for West Africa may follow. It has been agreed between GTZ and AVEDIS that YSA should be involved in the pilot measure to enable a South-South knowledge exchange. In case of an effective cooperation and successful pilot training the cooperation between GTZ in the three West African countries and YSA could be institutionalised.