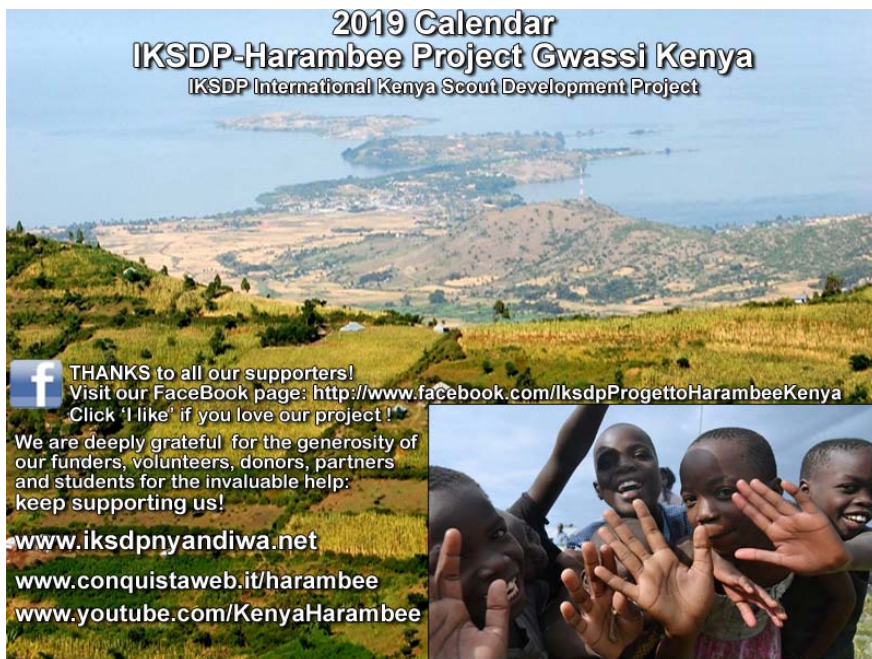


**2019 Calendar**  
**IKSDP-Harambee Project Gwasssi Kenya**  
IKSDP International Kenya Scout Development Project



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# IKSDP Harambee Calendar 2019

**IKSDP** (International Kenya Scout Development Project) is a no-profit organization (Self Help Project) recognized by the Kenyan government and promotes the **Harambee Gwasssi Project**, finalizzato allo sviluppo della comunità di Nyandiwa, in Kenya. The aim is to encourage the development in the areas surrounding Lake Victoria. **IKSDP** refuses any kind of welfarism and sustains the relevant role played by working together with the population through sustainable and repeatable micro-projects that enhance local resources and local culture.

'**Harambee**' i in Swahili means "work together". With this spirit, the Project works to share needs analysis, to plan together things to do, to establish bonds of friendship, to spread a peaceful mindset without any prejudice. In fact, the aim of the interventions is, first of all, to promote community self-development, through educational actions, respecting the dignity of the person and the experience of the local population.

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The IKSDP areas surrounding the Lake Victoria and Nyandiwa peninsula (Homa Bay County, Kenya) A territory of about 500 km<sup>2</sup> with an average density of 140 inhabitants per square kilometer: the region is high level in poverty. Since 1983, volunteers and local people work together side by side successfully sharing educational and social interventions, cultural and economic, then managed independently by the local team.

"A good name shines in the dark" (Swahili proverb)

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JANUARY 2019



Harambee in Swahili language means 'working together': it's the cry used by fishermen when, by joining forces, they pull the nets to shore. This is the spirit of the project: collaborating to plan together, establishing friendship ties without prejudice, in the interest of the community. The IKSDP aqueduct was the first intervention carried out by scout volunteers (1991-1993), to solve the serious problem of drinking water in the region: today it stretches for 20 km from the Kisaku Forest to Nyandiwa and serves about 20,000 people. Management and maintenance are entrusted to local volunteers, supported by the team of the Center.

"If you want to get first run alone. If you want to go far, walk together"  
(Swahili proverb)

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FEBRUARY





Agriculture and breeding are very difficult by the dry seasons alternating with heavy rains. So, concrete and sustainable models are experimented, managed by cooperatives of young people and women. From the 2 chickens in 1989 to the 250 laying hens of today, the IKSDP Farm is extended with some cows, catfish and tilapia bred in large tanks among the vegetable garden, with excellent results, even recycling the leftovers from the hens' feed.

"The patient man eats the food well cooked" (Swahili proverb)

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MARCH



The experimental cultivation of sunflowers began in 2014 in our Kitawa fields: after the first small productions, from 2017 the oil production is fully operational. A great success, thanks to the squeezing system donated by the 'Calabria for Harambee'. Every year we make two excellent harvests and we are currently experimenting with the cultivation of soy.

"A willing hand helps you work better" (Swahili proverb)

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APRIL



"Patience will be rewarded" (Swahili proverb)

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Education is the greatest challenge and is realized with everyone's help and effort. At the IKSDP Center in Nyandiwa begins and ends the educational cycle of childrens: from Nursery School to College, 2 excellence activities that currently characterize the educational area of project. Some of the young graduates of our College are precisely the children who attended the Primary Schools under construction in the first years of the Center!  
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"Kid's smile it's the home foundations" (Swahili proverb)

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JUNE						





The IKSDP Teachers Training College is a great success, with growing registrations, in particular those female, now in the majority: a conquest towards gender equality! Most students graduate with excellent ratings and find work quickly. The educational offer has been extended with the degree course for Primary teachers and for ECD (Childhood Education Program). Even the technological training, with the support of Google Cloud, has been engaged for a few years by Innex and Google for Education, alongside the local IKSDP staff in the community development initiatives carried out in Nyandiwa.

"Knowledge is power" (Swahili proverb)

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JULY



The opening of the Ongombeh Stadium Sports Center has encouraged the development and organization of sporting events, involving both the community and the neighboring villages. The IKSDP Nyandiwa Sport Center focuses on gender equality and develops ethical values and personal talents in young people (about 70% of the population), exploiting sport as a means of aggregation and a meeting point for the local community.

"There is no distance that has no end" (Swahili proverb)

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AUGUST



The IKSDP Center already has an Internet Service since 2007, with the possibility of writing texts, photocopies, scanning, bookbinding. From then to Nyandiwa they opened other similar services: proving that offering replicable examples leads to a growth of the community. Today the Center's WiFi network has a 3G broadband connection spread throughout the area, thanks to Innext and Fidoka collaboration. After receiving the secondary school diploma, it's possible to attend different levels of courses: Professional degree in Computer Studies and IT, one more academic and other specific, from Basic IT Essential to Computer Maintenance & Repair, Video Editing and Digital Photography, Web Design and Computer Programming.

"Where there is will there is also the way" (Swahili proverb)

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SEPTEMBER



The large Social Hall hosts not only weddings and theatrical events of the community, but also meetings, conferences and festival: equipped with digital projector and amplifiers, has a capacity of about 500 people.

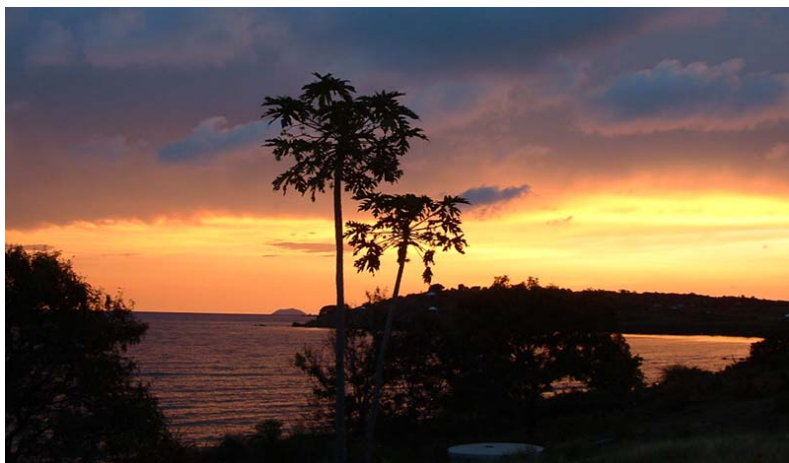
The IKSDP Hostel, with 10 rooms for groups, families and single people, has a lunchroom. Open throughout the year, it hosts volunteers and visitors who want to experience a 'solidarity tourism'. All facilities and services self-finance IKSDP projects.

"One drop after another fills the glass" (Swahili proverb)

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OCTOBER





The IKSDP project aims to exploit all natural and renewable resources, solar and wind: in the naturalistic site of Kitawa (17 hectares of arid land, now irrigated) sunflowers and Jatropha are cultivated, from which fuel oil is obtained for lighting and cooking (from fertilizer, waste, soap, glycerine and lubricant). In the future we intend to test its use as Biodiesel. While part of the land is cultivated with vegetables, a large area is reserved for Educational Research for the students, given the richness of the ecosystem.

"Better delay and get there" (Swahili proverb)

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NOVEMBER						



The village of Nyandiwa in 40 years has gone from 300 inhabitants to about 20,000, but also holds the sad record of HIV-infected patients. The "Nyandiwa Health Center" serves the whole area and, recently, with the help of the IKSDP-Harambee project, it has a Telemedicine GHT-Light platform with the devices connected to it: now it is possible to perform free diagnoses and specialist exams, electrocardiograms, ECG and ... caesarean sections!

"Do today what's to do today" (Swahili proverb)

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