

First interim status of the started "Save 80" stove production

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After the start of local production of our "Save 80" stove at the beginning of the year, things have been developing very encouragingly.



*The production team of "Safer 1" in Kigali (from left to right):
Top: Claire, Sam, Phina, Mbada, Evalist (hidden), Vonita, John;
Bottom: Dickson, Joseph*

The work processes are well coordinated, so that the "Safer 1" team led by production manager Joseph Nsabimana can currently complete around 100 stoves per day. This is about half of the targeted capacity and extremely gratifying, especially since the machinery is not yet complete (e.g., a bigger air compressor is to be installed soon) and the team size is still being built up.



Toolmaker Samuel Munana during final inspection of finished stove components



Joseph, John und Bernhard bei der Wartung einer Stanz-Einheit

Our technical developer, Bernhard Ellmann, was on site in August to discuss the latest adjustments in production details, to determine the need for spare parts together with the production management, and to assist with minor repairs.

His conclusion of the visit: "It's incredibly nice to see how well everything have been developing and how smoothly everything is working at the moment."

„All the preparatory work that we had been putting into building the factory felt “theoretical” in a way. Suddenly, it became living practice. A heartfelt "Thank you!" and a big compliment to everyone involved! “

The next major milestone will be the official opening ceremony of our factory. We are currently in the process of coordinating a suitable date with the Ministry of Environment. With a bit of luck, we will be able to welcome the Minister in person as a guest and keynote speaker.