



# The bricklayer - O Pedreiro: know it - to value it

Kuduro as a means to improve the image of work and vocational training



# FormPRO – what is it?

- Bilateral project between Angola and Germany
  - MAPESS through INEFOP\*
  - BMZ through GIZ\*\*
- Technical cooperation
- Capacity Development
  - Individuals
  - Organizations
  - Policy level

- Trabalho em Angola de Mercado 0 para Formação Profissional
- Vocational training in the construction sector

- \* Ministry of Public Administration, Employment and Social Security National Institute for Employment and Vocational training
- \*\* Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperationa and Development German Agency for International Cooperation



# FormPRO: Objective – Impact (expected)

## **Objective:**

Increase the quality and relevance of Vocational Training (VT) Impact:

Increase

- The readiness to participate in VT
- The employability
- The transition of VT into the labour market

### How to achieve it?:

i.e. we need an instrument which is...

- Powerful
- Innovative
- Fun
- Angolan



# Why Kuduro?

- It is a type of music played by young people for young people
- Currently, it is the most popular music style amongst the youth
- It uses the common language of youngsters
- Kuduro was first played in peripheric suburbs and has now developed into a popular and widely appreciated type of music



To join the useful and the nice;

use Kuduro to increase

the value of professional workers and participants of vocational training



# The video clip O Pedreiro

#### Lyrics of the music:

Strong working man, rise early Face the day without fear Bricklayer – put your hands to work With your callus and your sweat you build infra-structures. Bricklayer, don't put yourself down – show everyone that you're up to scratch.

Doctor or welder, carpenter or bricklayer – Push aside the hierarchy; we are all human beings and fighters! At dawn I see a light, the bricklayer follows his path. Every single day giving it all to feed his children.

You rise at the crack of dawn and work until sunset. A helmet on your head, gloves and hammer in your hand – such are the builder's tools to get it done, dear brother, listen to this:

#### Value this work, honour this occupation.

#### Refrain:

I, you, he, we, you all – are **equal** to you, bricklayer! He, she and we all – are equal to you, bricklayer!

The group "Os K. Baila" consists of:

- 1. PAI SHOW (Rafael Dionisio Manuel Neto): Singer and writer
- 2. DENYFOX (Jaime Daniel Mateus)
- 3. PAULO BONG (Paulo Feliciano Filémon)
- 4. MORENO (Jefterson Lukeny)
- 5. EIDJY (Edimilson Dionisio)

DJ responsible for the music: DJ SKILL. Recorded at "Fofo Cho Producões" studios in September 2011





# The messages of O Pedreiro

Os K. Baila: o pedreiro

- Aims at social equality
- Aims at **increased appreciation** of bricklayers
- Aims at **professionalism** in:
  - Equipment
  - Safety at the workplace
  - Every day's work



# **O Pedreiro – the expected impact**

- Increase the society's recognition of bricklayers as professionals
  - focus on young people (all social groups)
- Increase the interest of the target group to:
  - become working men (ex. bricklayer; selected social groups)
  - attract more young people to participate in vocational training (selected social groups)
- Increase the self-esteem
  - of bricklayers
  - of those workers who earn their living from this profession
  - of those who daily sacrifice themselves as builders



# **O Pedreiro – Impact already achieved (I)**

## **Evaluation of the impact:**

#### Target group:

- 2 groups of young people
  - Students of grade 9 (16 19 years old)
  - Students of grade 7 (12 17 years old)
- 1 group of "professional bricklayers"

#### Method:

- 3 discussions with focus groups
- based on structured interview guidelines



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# **O Pedreiro** – Impact already achieved (II)

**Observations and conclusions** (target group: students)

- Respect for bricklayers achieved
- Participants with prejudices against non-professional bricklayers changed these
- Only one participant showed interest in becoming a bricklayer despite all participants showing increased appreciation
- Participants do not opt for vocational training as they prefer higher education / more prestigious employment (for themselves)
- Participants do not opt for vocational training due to a lack of social appreciation (of the professions)
- They associate the profession with low prestige instead of low social appreciation
- The method worked well to address young people (to start a discussion about the topic)
- High satisfaction about Kuduro as a means to transmit the messages
  - Perceived as an authentic contribution
  - Contributes to a generally higher appreciation of Kuduro



# **O Pedreiro** – Impact already achieved (III)

## **Observations and conclusions**

(target group: professional bricklayers)

- They showed pride
- Higher self-esteem
- Recommendations to extend the content of messages



# **O Pedreiro** – Recommendations

## Wider distribution

- National TV
- Internet
- Radio

#### Wider evaluation

- Discussions with teachers and trainers
- Public schools

### **Musical production**

• New recording of the music



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# Thank you!

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