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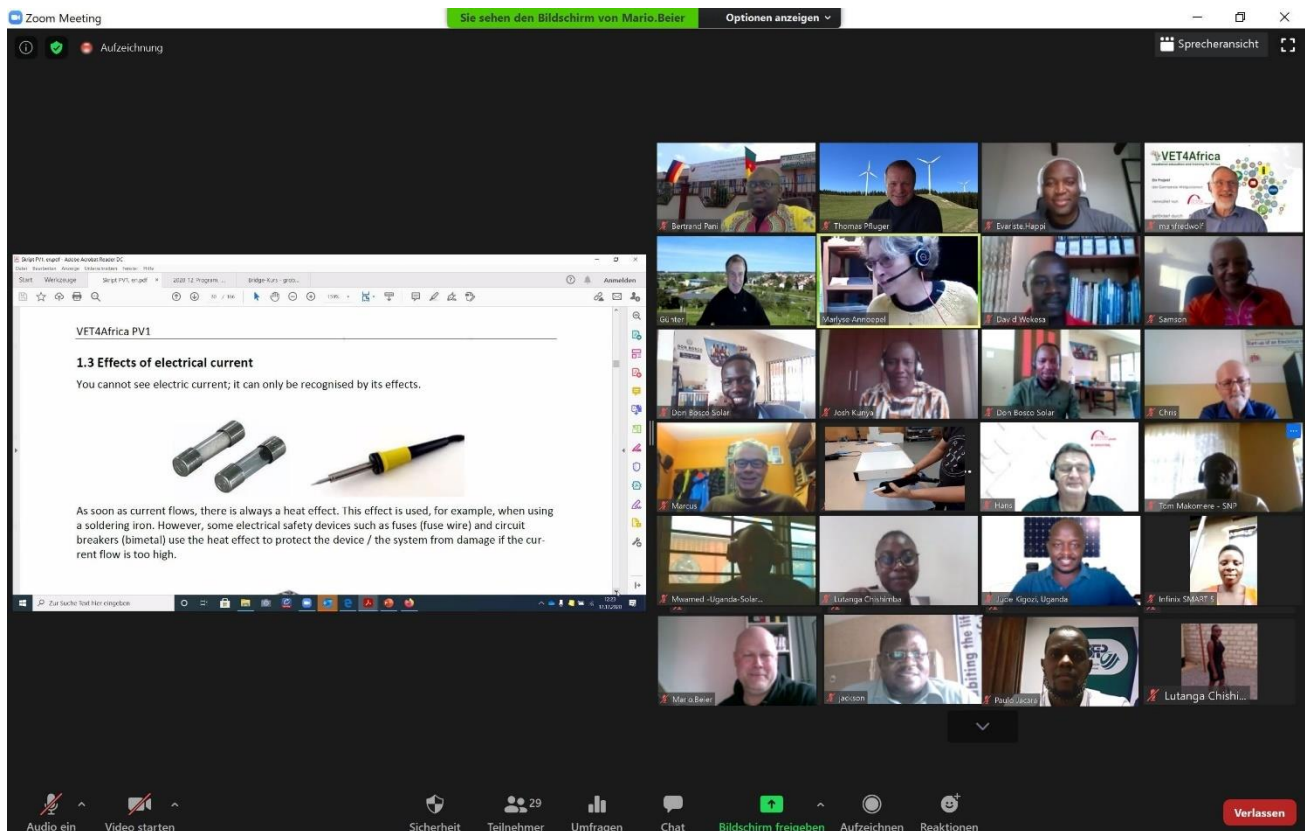
VET4Africa, training and support despite Corona "World with a future through vocational education"

Online education and training for Africa

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With a lot of energy and commitment, the team of the project VET4Africa (vocational education and training for Africa) managed to offer a course for teachers from all over Africa at the end of the year.

On the 3rd Advent weekend, December 12 and 13, the German trainers offered the African colleagues a mixture of prepared documents and videos on the screen, but also practical exercises. By participating in this course, the African trainers qualified themselves and now have the opportunity to train further instructors and teachers in their countries. They will receive intensive technical and organizational support from the senior master trainers from Germany. The project is financially supported by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development and Minister Dr. Gerd Müller.



PC training weekend

Actually, as in previous years, 2-week training courses were again planned for 2020 at the ecological education center in Wildpoldsried. But due to the Corona pandemic, neither series of African lecturers to Wildpoldsried, nor support trips to Africa were possible.

Therefore, the team of vocational school teachers and other supporters worked part-time and on a voluntary basis to switch to alternative teaching methods and digital media. Creativity was required and a range of digital teaching materials, videos, presentations set to music, explanatory videos and digital practical examples were created. A Moodle server was set up as the central learning platform and all materials as well as a new 170-page script were made available to the African trainers via this platform. In addition, the website www.vet4africa.com and a YouTube channel were created. The complete training as well as a large part of the coordination took place via web conferences this year.



The goal of the German trainers in vocational schools is to support African colleagues in the topic of photovoltaics and renewable energies and to show how modern technology can make the energy of the sun usable for everyone. With the help of new media, the contents can be used for training purposes on site and the knowledge is passed on via the multipliers.



The VET4Africa team

Overall organization and coordination of the 5 project parts as well as the individual training courses:

Municipality of Wildpoldsried, represented by Günter Mögele, second mayor of the municipality as well as director of studies and staff of the school management of the State Vocational School I in Kempten, in cooperation with bbw gGmbH - International Division, represented by Ms. Marlyse Annoepel and Mr. Martin Wahl. The project is supported by BMZ through GIZ.

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