TEACHING OTHER COUNTRIES TO GROW MORE SUSTAINABLE FOOD

Peris teaching in Nyakato and Mwanza in Tanzania

A major initiative of the GROW BIOINTENSIVE Agriculture Centre of Kenya is to help scale up the Agroecological agriculture practices in other African countries. This initiative is to enable smallholder farmers in African to embrace good agricultural practices to produce "clean" nourishing food sufficient for the family plus surplus for income generation as they regenerate their soil and their environment.

In this regard, from the start we have been developing a training facility at G-BIACK Centre that will serve as a knowledge hub for Agroecology and ecological agriculture for Africa. We travel to the other countries and also bring representatives to our centre. This year we increased our sleeping accommodations at G-BIACK by 60.

The objective is to have an educational centre that inspires, equips and transforms smallholder farmers and other visitors to implement and scale up Agroecological agriculture in Kenya and beyond.

Since its inception in 2008, G-BIACK has reached out to the following countries: South Sudan, Malawi, Rwanda, Nigeria, Ghana, DR Congo, Uganda, South Africa, Tanzania, and Senegal. All these countries have managed to set up demonstration/training farms where farmers come to see and learn. Through partnerships and collaboration with other organizations in Africa we will continue to reach out to more countries whose food production systems are not working well.