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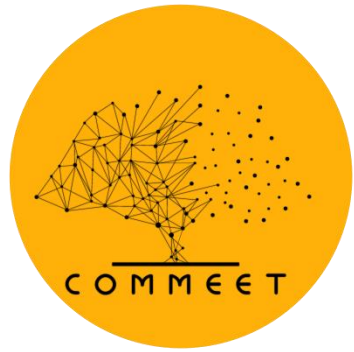
## The Lekgotla Model:

Lekgotla (noun South Africa)

*definition: a meeting place for village assemblies, court cases, and meetings of village leaders.*



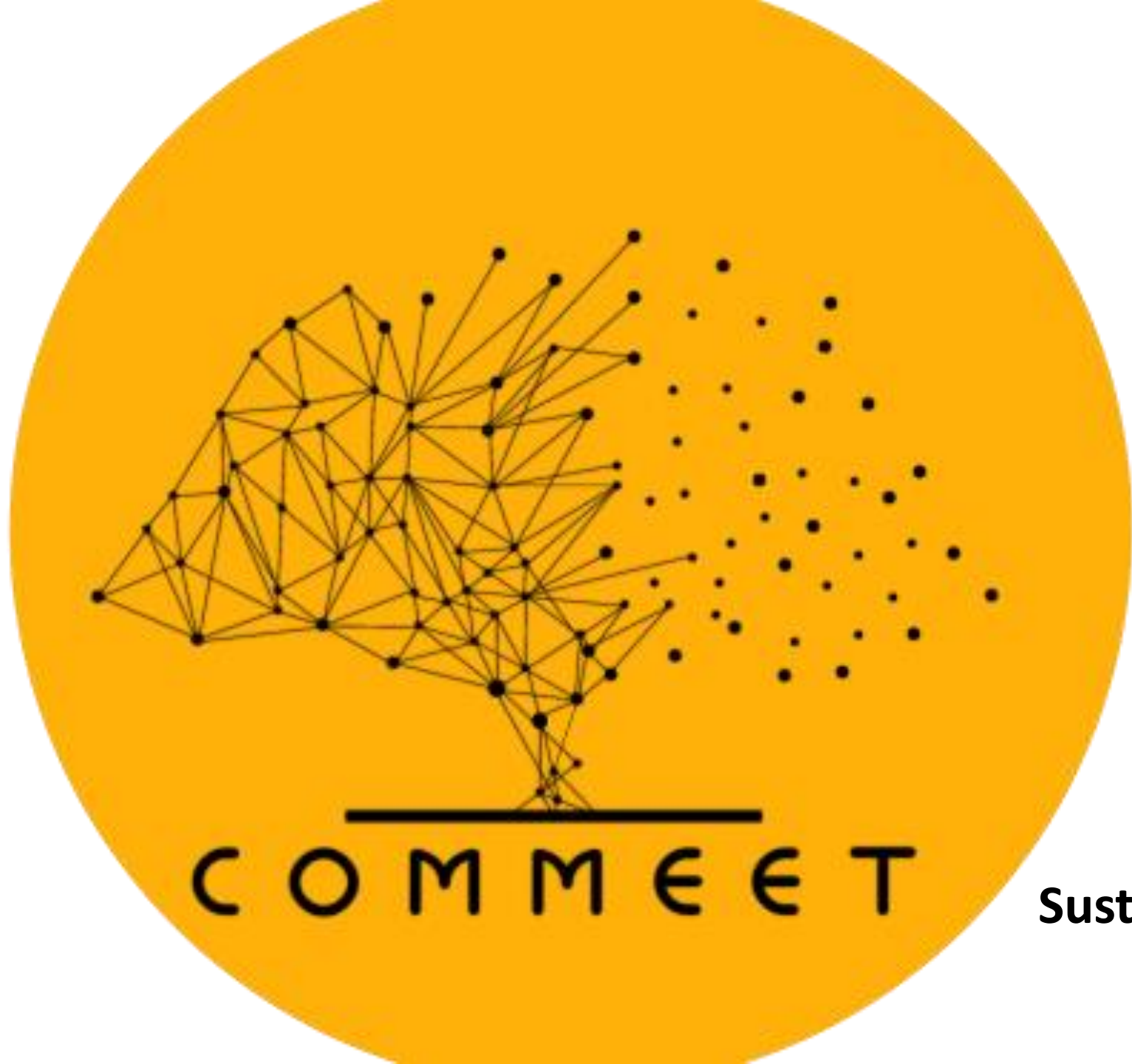
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# What is Commeet?



Commeet is a cooperative organisation aimed at developing and supporting **TVET (Technical and Vocational Education and Training)** and **Entrepreneurship** worldwide.



**UNESCO's new paradigm  
Global Action Programme  
2015-2030**

**Sustainable Regional Development**



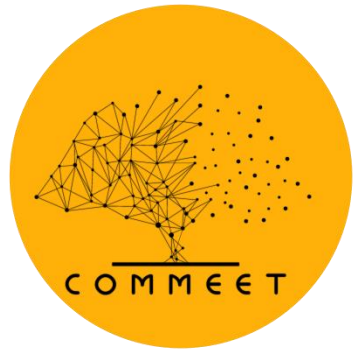
Fostering youth employment and entrepreneurship



Promoting equity and gender equality

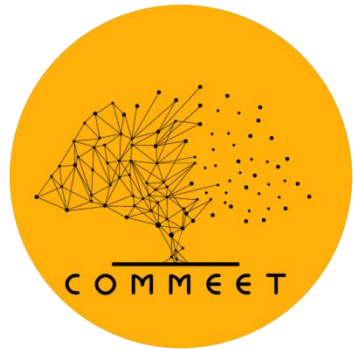


Facilitating the transition to green economies and sustainable societies



# WHAT DOES COMMEET DO?

- COMMEET seeks out and collects good practices from successful community empowerment initiatives
- COMMEET provides consulting for and assistance with TVET and Entrepreneurship training
- COMMEET builds interactive networks for participants to teach and learn from each other's good practices



# Why get involved with COMMEET?

## **INSPIRATION**

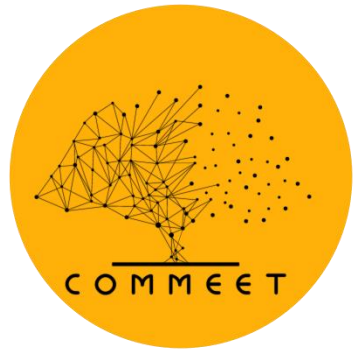
Visit the COMMEET website and find out more about our organization and activities.

## **DIALOGUE**

Share your views on and experiences with TVET within your region. Teach and learn in the COMMEET-forum.

## **CONSULTING**

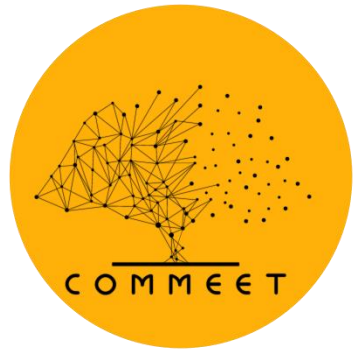
Start your own regional partnership of TVET stakeholders with the help of our team of experts and consultants.



# Is COMMEET for you?

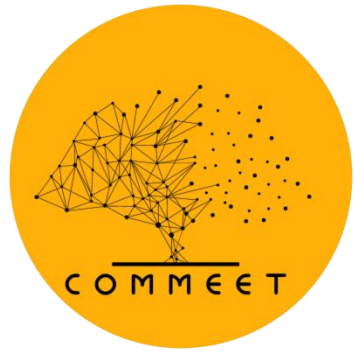
- Is unemployment or underemployment a problem in your community/region?
- Is there a lack of skilled professionals in “vocational” fields like plumbing, electrician, construction, IT, healthcare, etc.
- Do talented young people tend to leave your region for university or employment opportunities elsewhere?
- Is there a cultural devaluation of vocational careers in favor of more “theoretical” tracks?
- Are TVET programs sufficiently visible and well-functioning in your community?





## If yes...

- Can you think of ways to optimize cooperation between TVET and stakeholders in your community?
- Can you think of ways this cooperation could contribute to the ecological/economic sustainability of your region?
- Can you think of ways this cooperation could contribute to social equality?
- Do you already have ideas about how to create a broadly supported TVET-agenda for a sustainable future in your regions?



# COMMUNITIES CAN BE SUCCESSFUL

## CASE 1

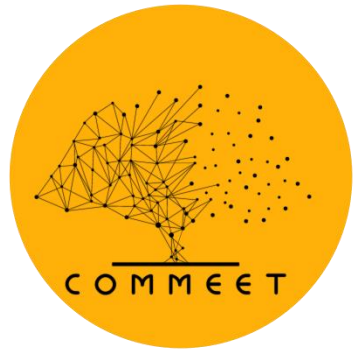
Prof. Carolina López - University of Chihuahua (LL/CDT) )

Living Lab/Centro de Diálogo y Transformación Inc.

Collaborators travel in a **Mobile Living Lab** through USA-Mexican Borderlands and asks people to design their own future.

And how to co-create this future.



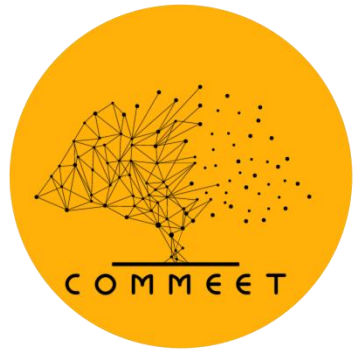


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## CASE 2

Mr Rabiul Islam, Balagram, Bangladesh, organized his community,  
by bringing together all stakeholders and  
is Co-creating a **Community Development Center** (Oasis for  
Posterity).



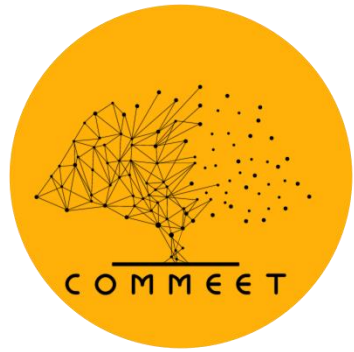


# OASIS FOR POSTERIORITY

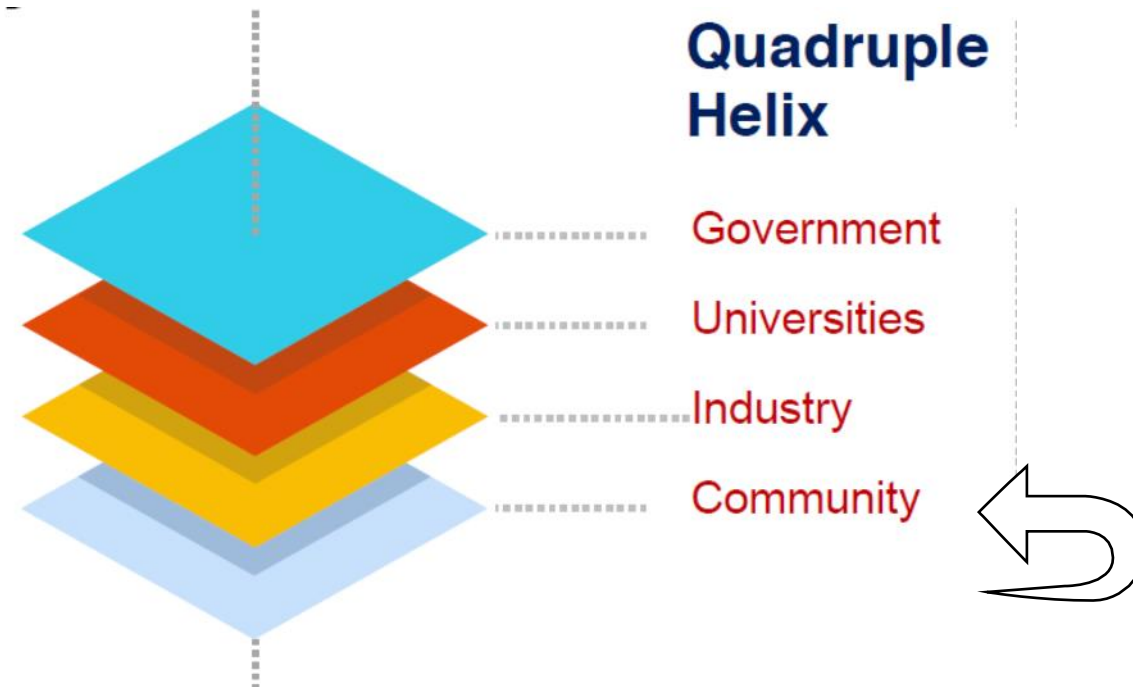
- learn from the community before acting on their behalf
  - approach
  - community dialogues
  - structured survey
  - meetings
  - analysis
  - action
- prioritizing is driven by outcomes of community interactions
- priorities developed: education (primary, secondary, healthcare/technical/vocational), training, basic healthcare, literacy, farming, scholarship, gender, relief

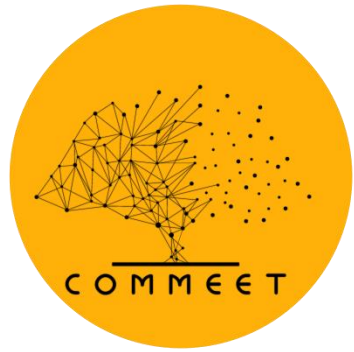






# QUADRUPLE HELIX OF THE INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM





# THEIR KEY TO SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Recognition of TVET and entrepreneurship as essential to socio-economic improvement
- Promotion of TVET within their initiatives



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