

IX-World Bamboo Congress

Merksplas, Belgium - April 13th, 2012

Bamboo Training and Development Centre
Mbeya - Tanzania

Jaime Espinosa - UPM - 2010



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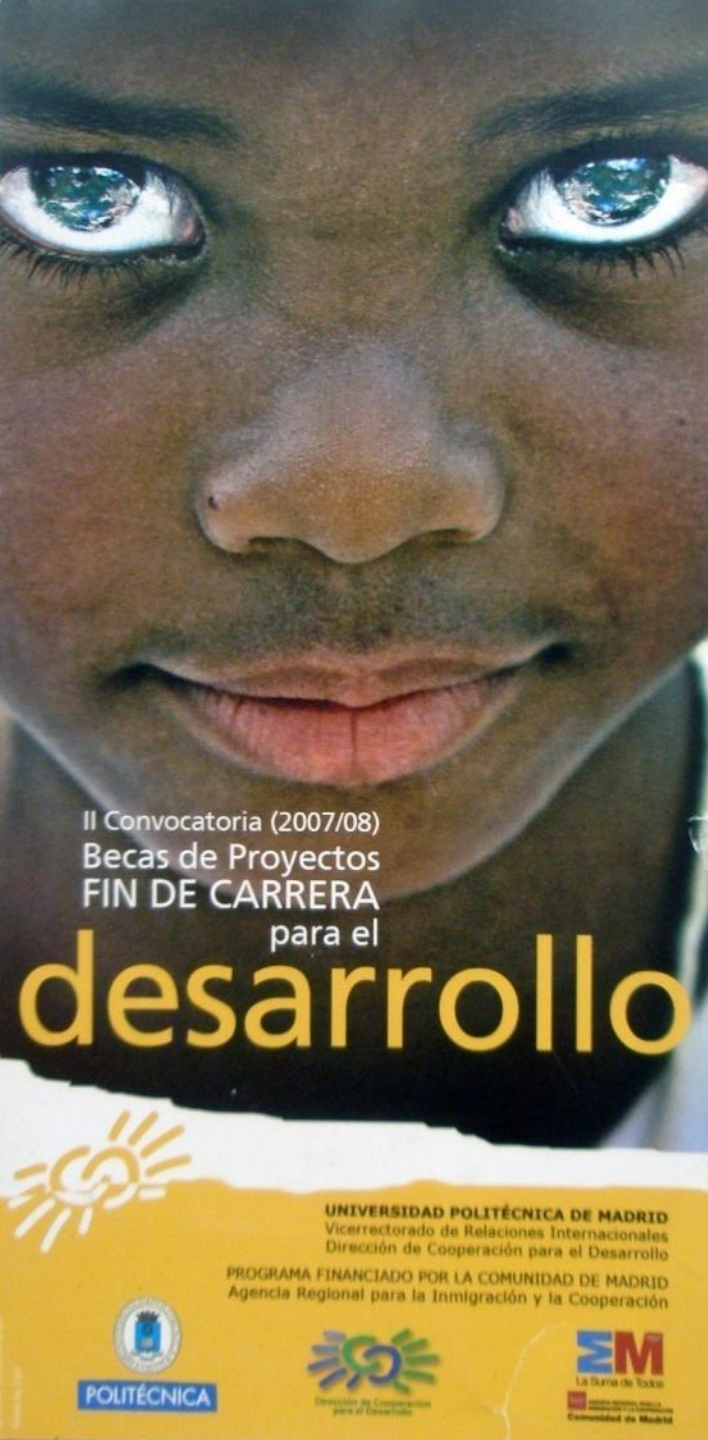
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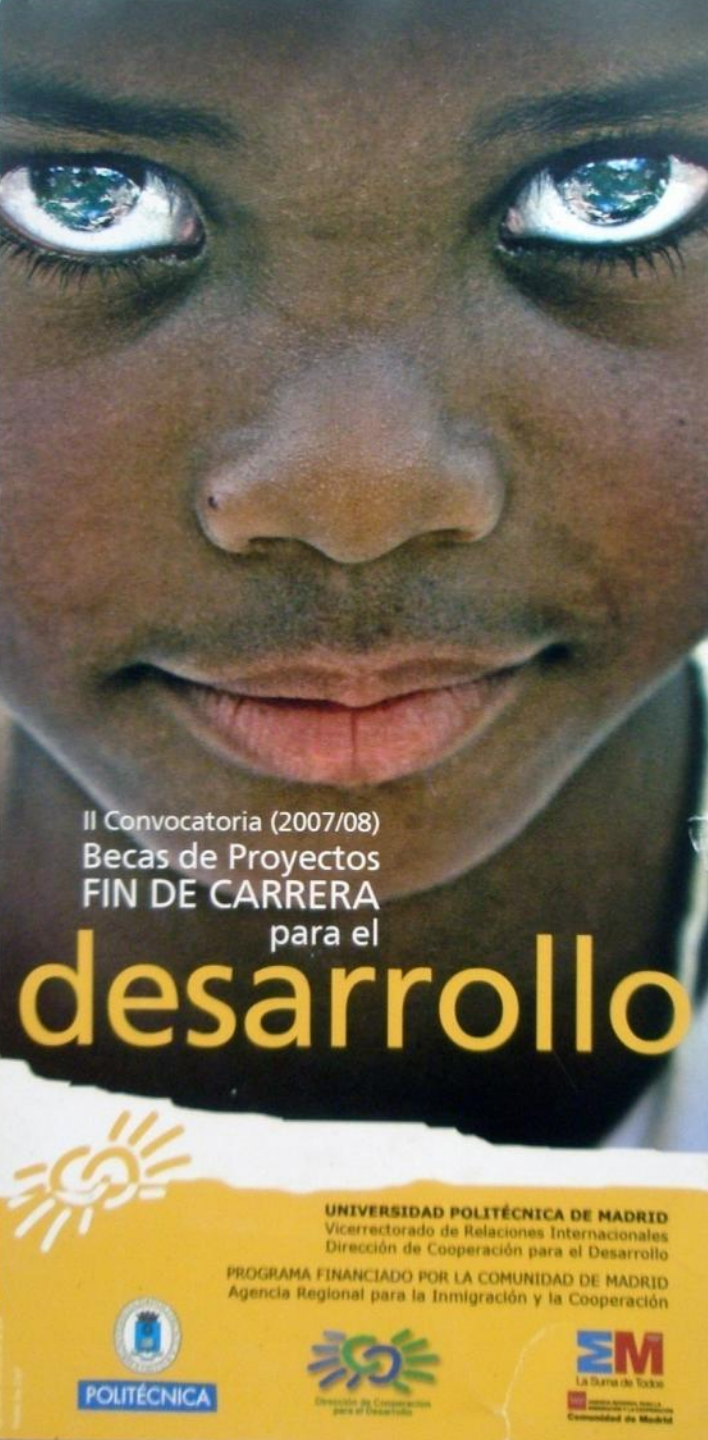
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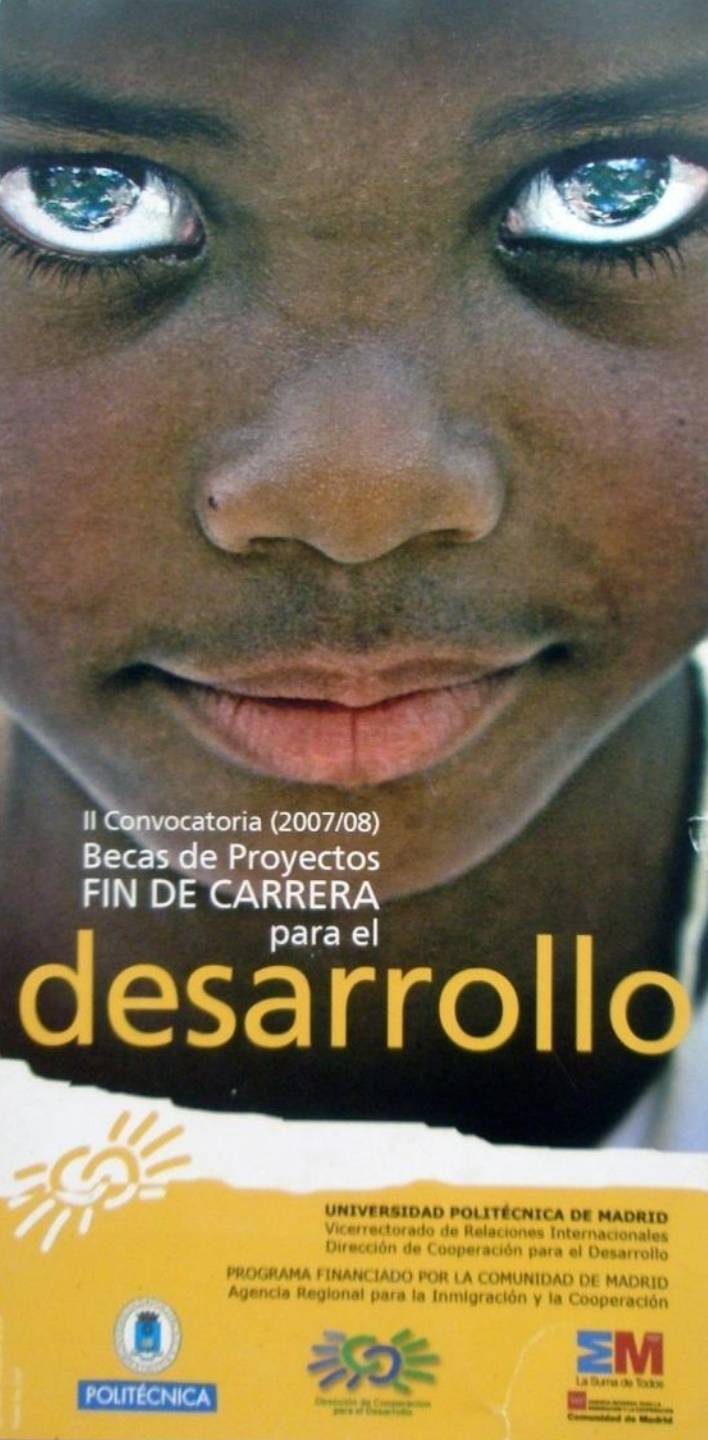
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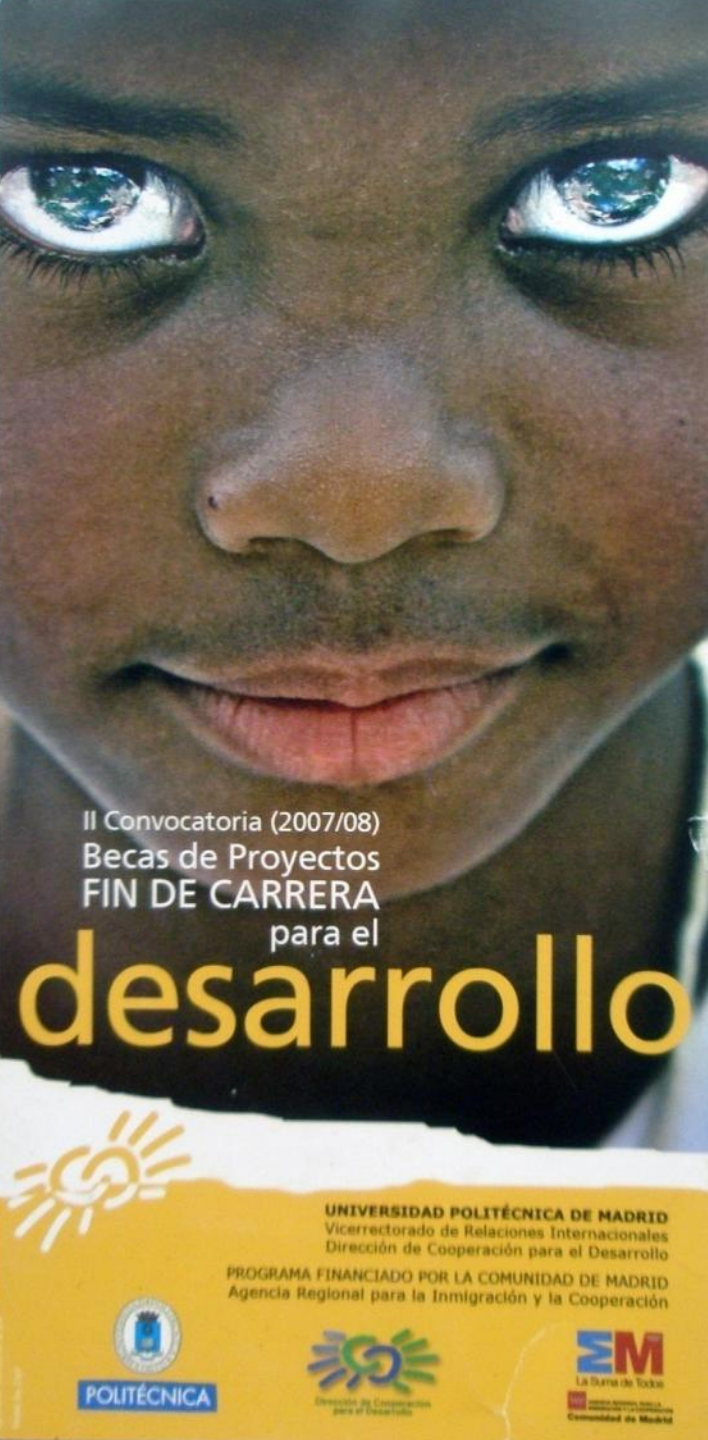
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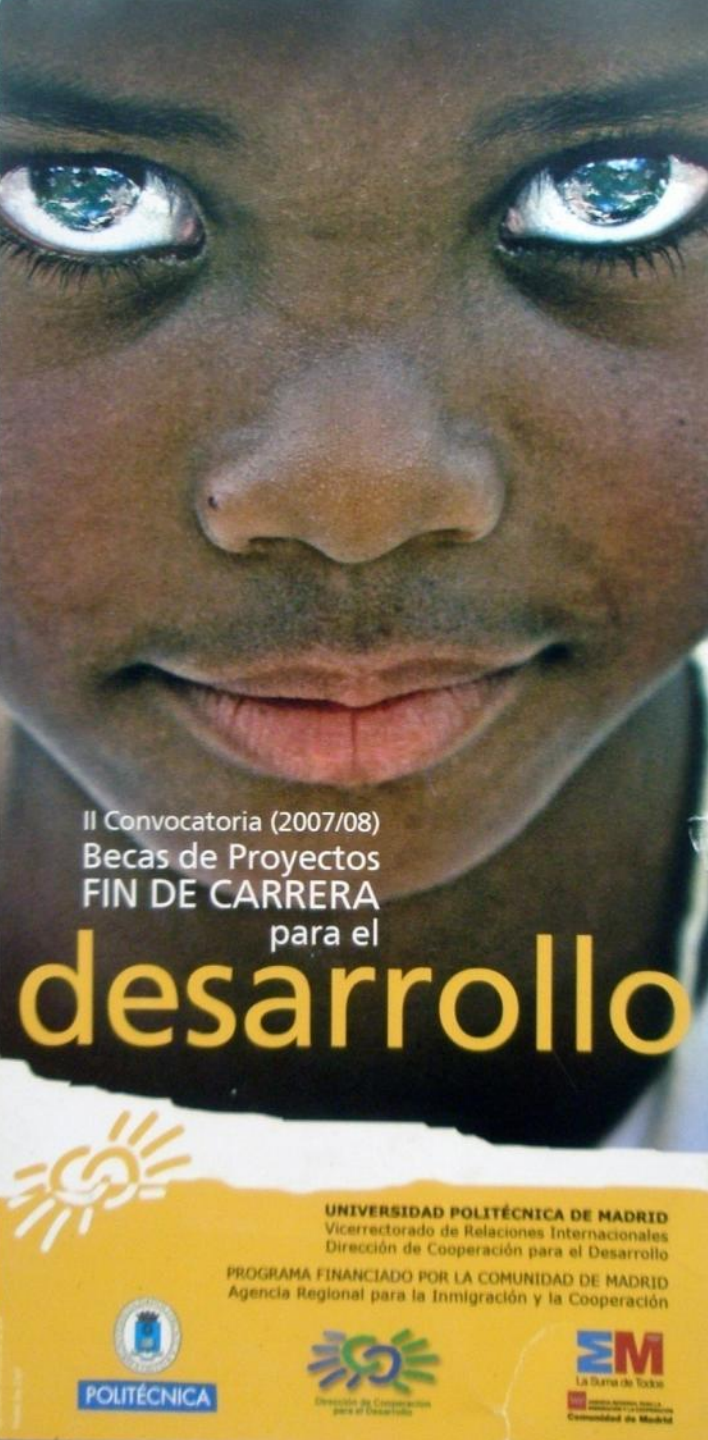
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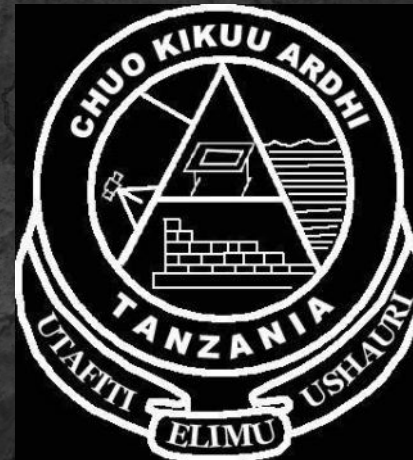


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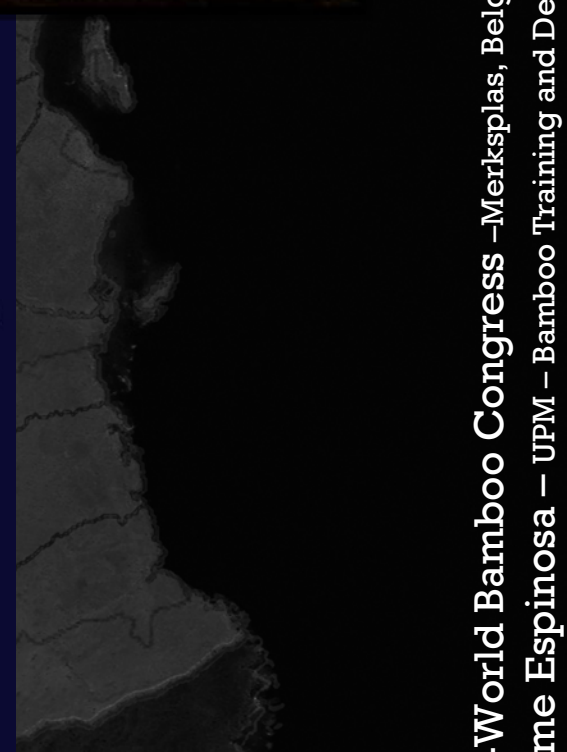
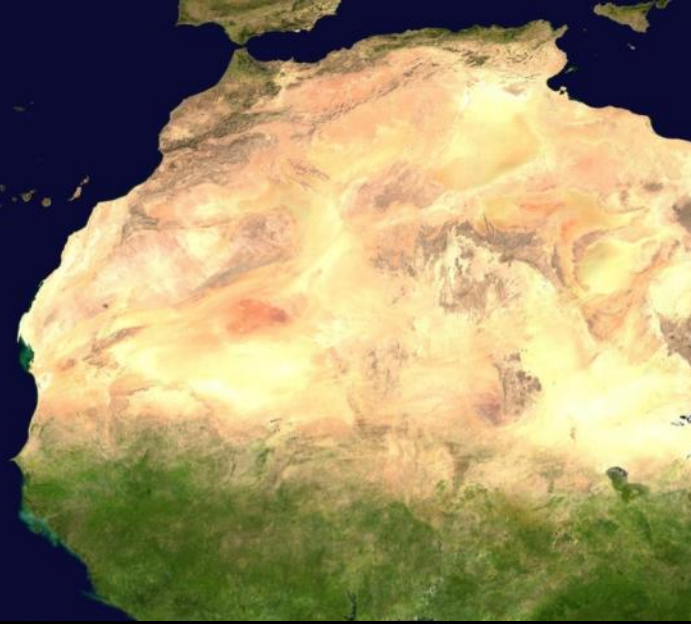
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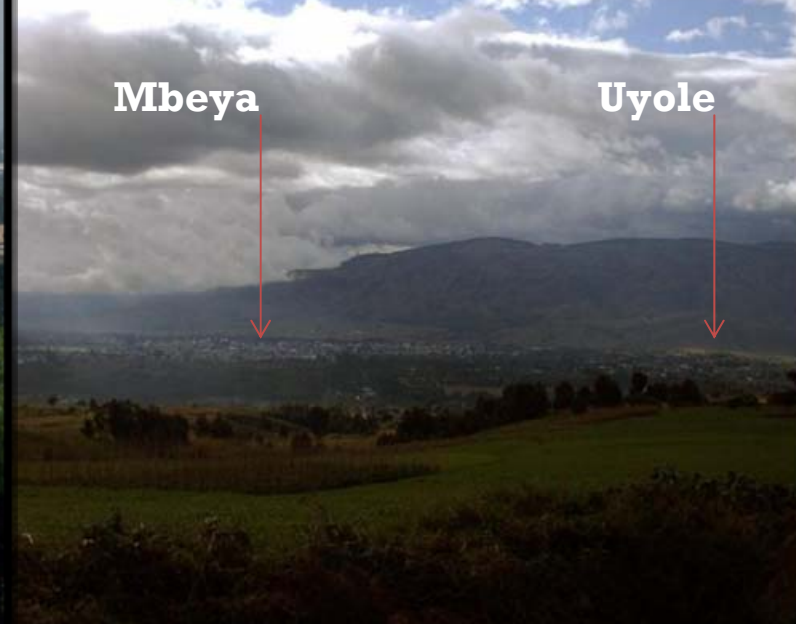
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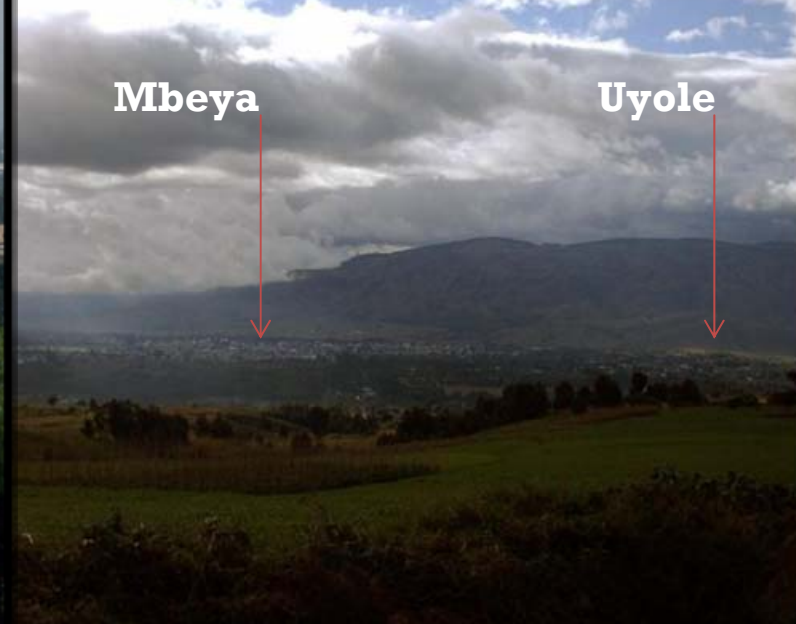
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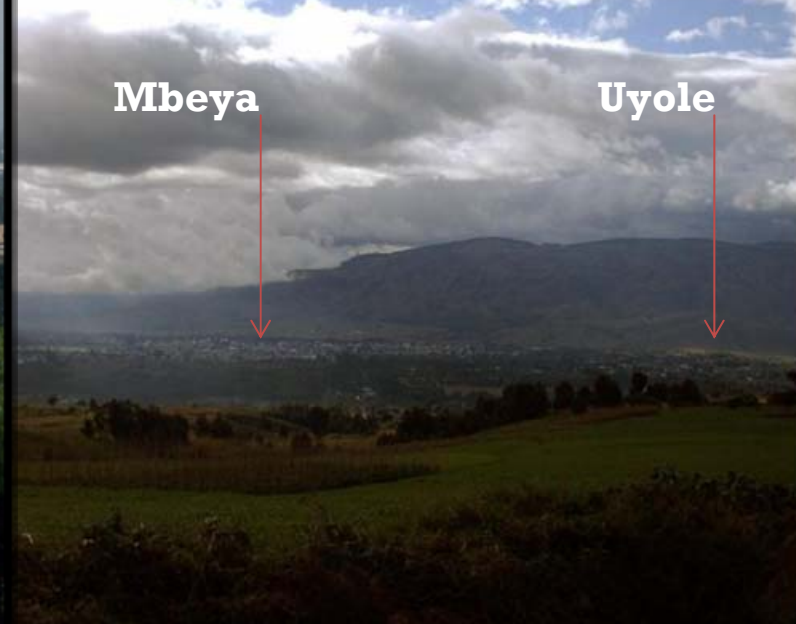
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- February 2010 > August 2010-

MBWG & Jaime Espinosa

- Goal:

To produce bamboo furniture prototypes.

- Activities:

> Preservation process

> Build up drying shed

> Furniture prototypes



1.



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Species: *Arundinaria alpina*
(African mountain bamboo)

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Namna ya kukata mianzi kwa ujenzi na vyombo vya nyumbani



1. Chukua panga lako na uende polini baada ya saa sita mchana. Kwa sababu, utomvu wa mianzi asubuhi hupanda juu, hivyo si vizuri kukata mianzi muda wa asubuhi.



2. Tafuta mianzi ya miaka mitatu, minne au mitano. Mianzi midogo hupoteza majani yake. Mianzi mikubwa huwa na madoa meupe mengi. Mianzi bila majani lakini ikiwa na madoa machache inafaa.



3. Ukikata mwanzi angalia kukata juu ya fundo kwa sababu shahina halitachukua maji kwa mvua, hivyo litafaa sana.



4. Kutengeneza mwanzi juu ya shina lake simamisha wima, hivyo maji ndani ya udongo hayawazi kuingia katika mwanzi.



5. Subiri wiki tatu kwa sababu utomvu ni mtamu hivyo unavuta wadudu; baada ya wiki tatu utomvu unakuwa mchungu, hivyo wadudu hawaharibu mwanzi.

a.) Cut:

- Mature specimens, over 1st or 2nd knot

'How to cut bamboo for building and furniture'
(in swahili)





b.) Seasoning:

- 3 weeks in the forest, leaning on its own stem

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c.) Preservation:
c1.- Washing bamboo stems



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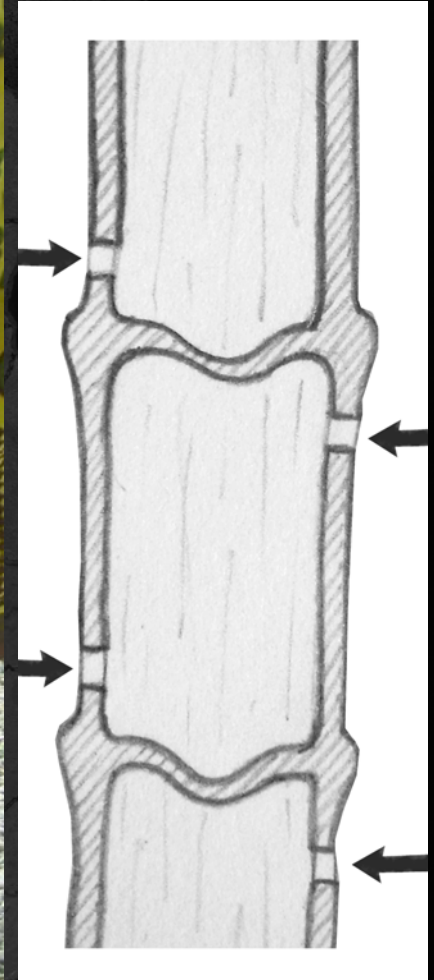
c.) Preservation:

c2.- Open up every cell between 2 knots

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c.) Preservation:

c3.- Immersion in borax + boric acid solution

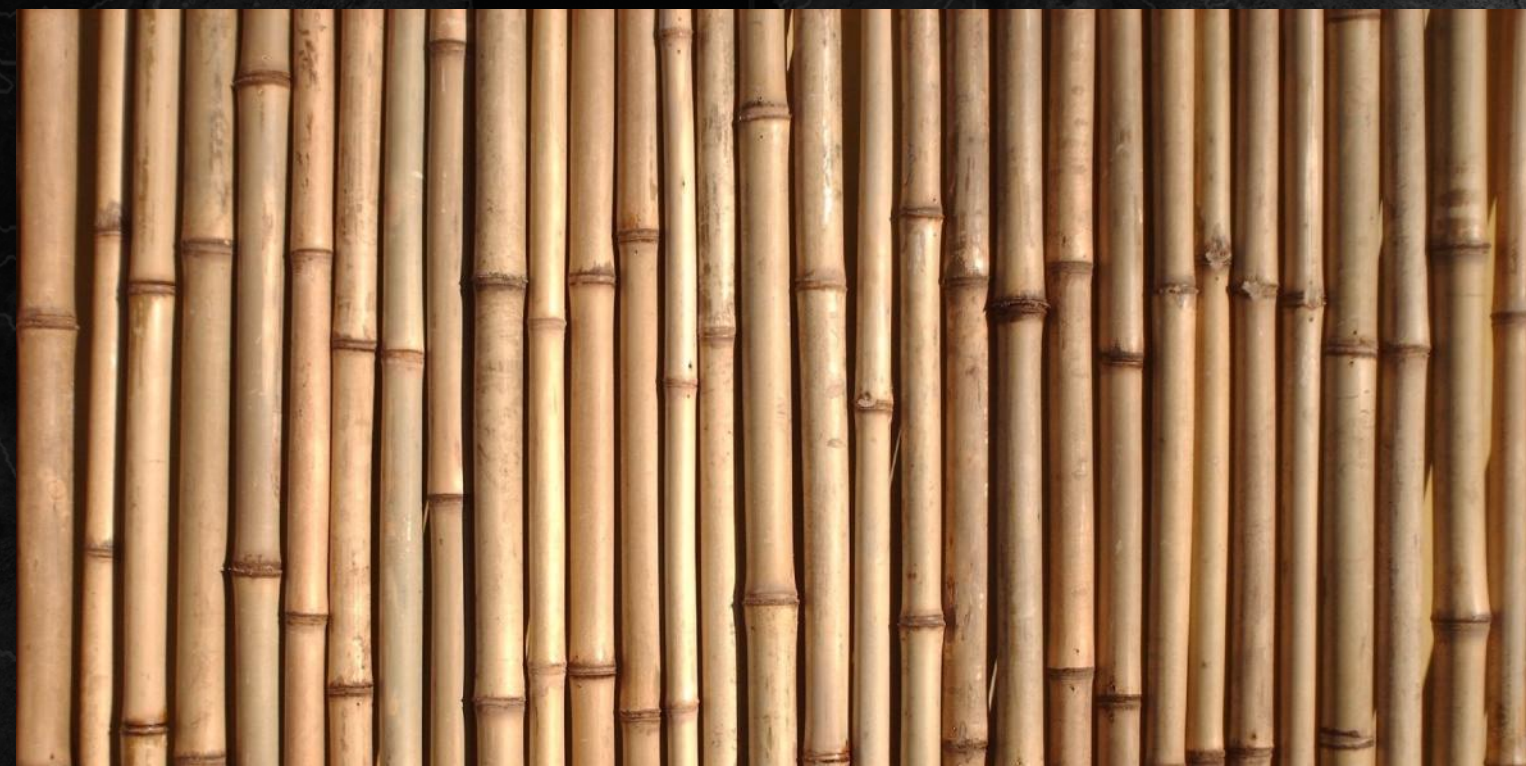
- During 5 days, 4% concentration



2.



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d.) Drying
- 20 days

2.



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a.) Capacity building

3.



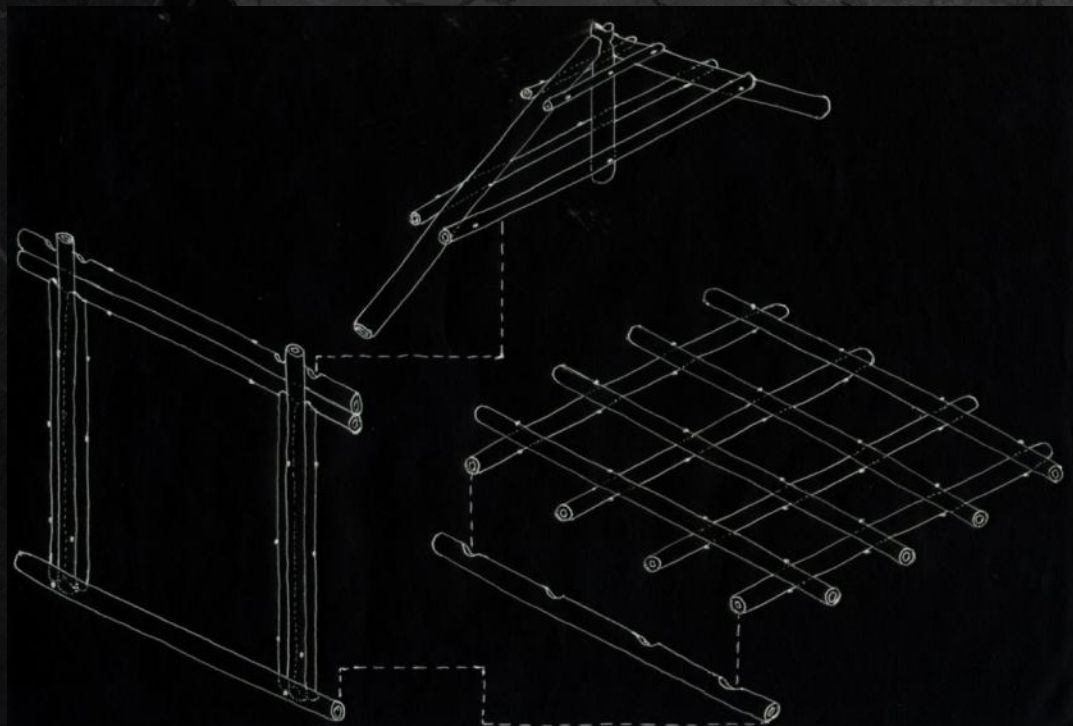
a1.- Explanations



a2.- Practice



- Construction of Bamboo Drying Shed -



b.) Principles of design

- Limited length of bamboos
- Prefabricated elements
- Basic tools available:
 - Hand saw
 - Hammer
 - Span
 - Splitter
 - Electric drill and drill bits



- Construction of Bamboo Drying Shed -





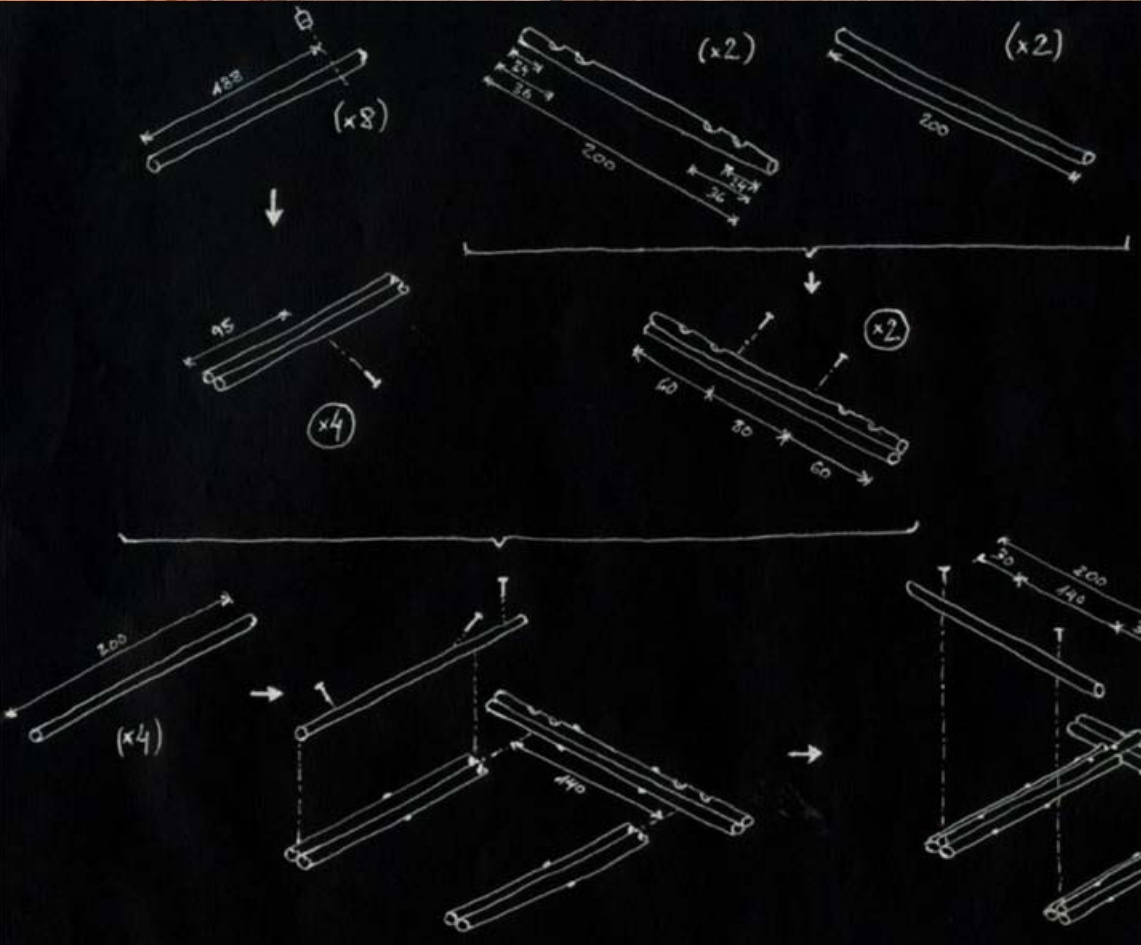
- Precast reinforced concrete
- Plastic buckets as shuttering
- Reinforcement: 2 feet-length corrugated steel bar



- Construction of Bamboo Drying Shed -



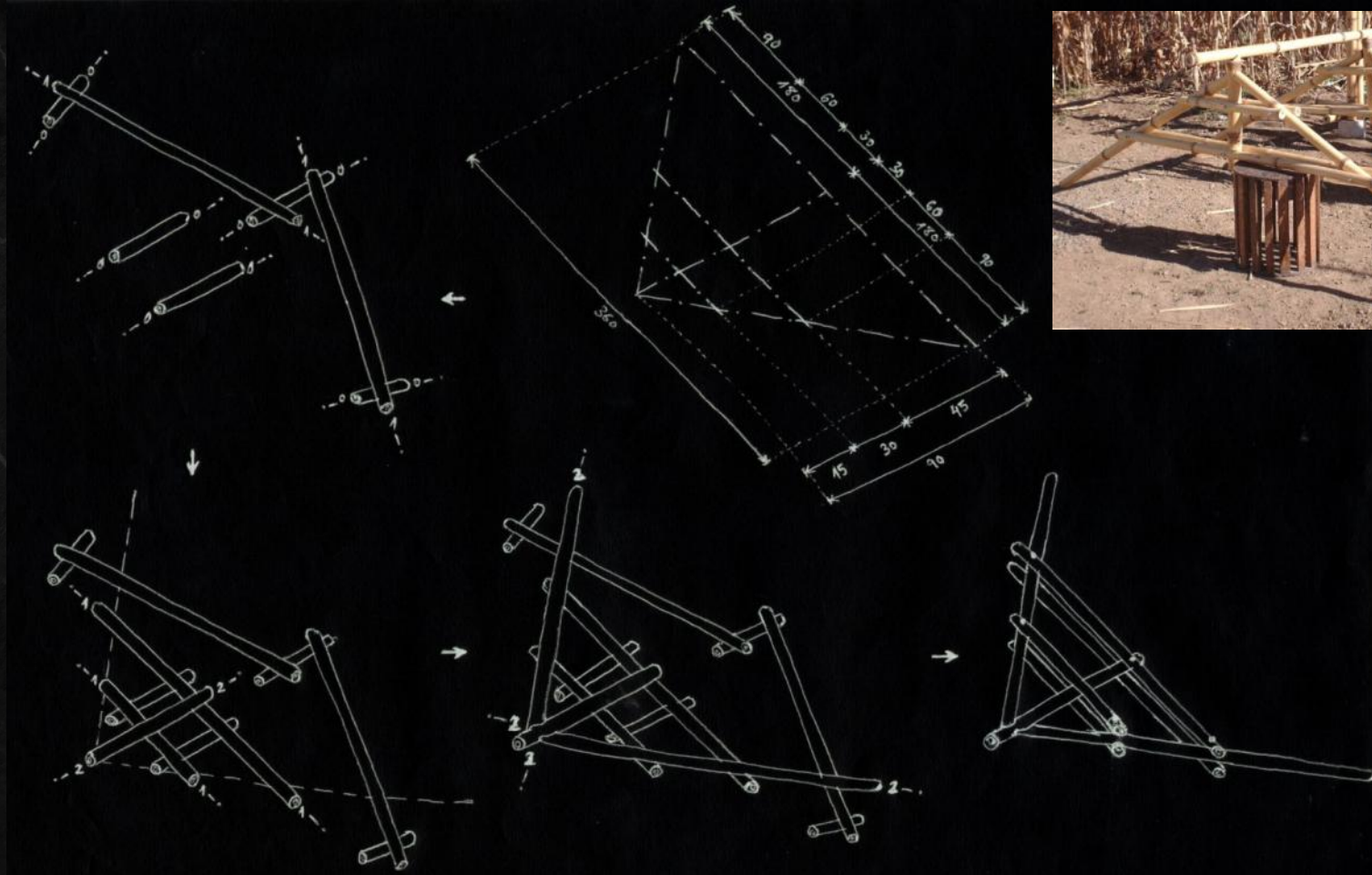
d.) Prefabricated elements d1.- Vertical frames



- Construction of Bamboo Drying Shed -



d.) Prefabricated elements d2.- Roof trusses



- Construction of Bamboo Drying Shed -



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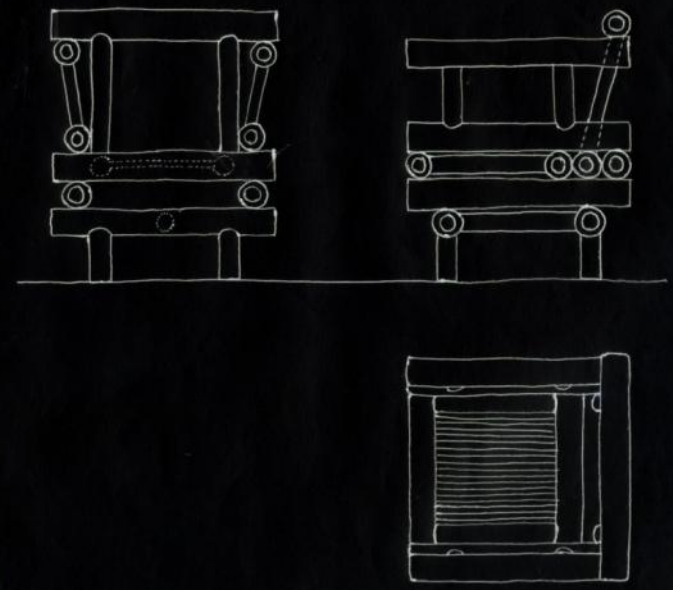
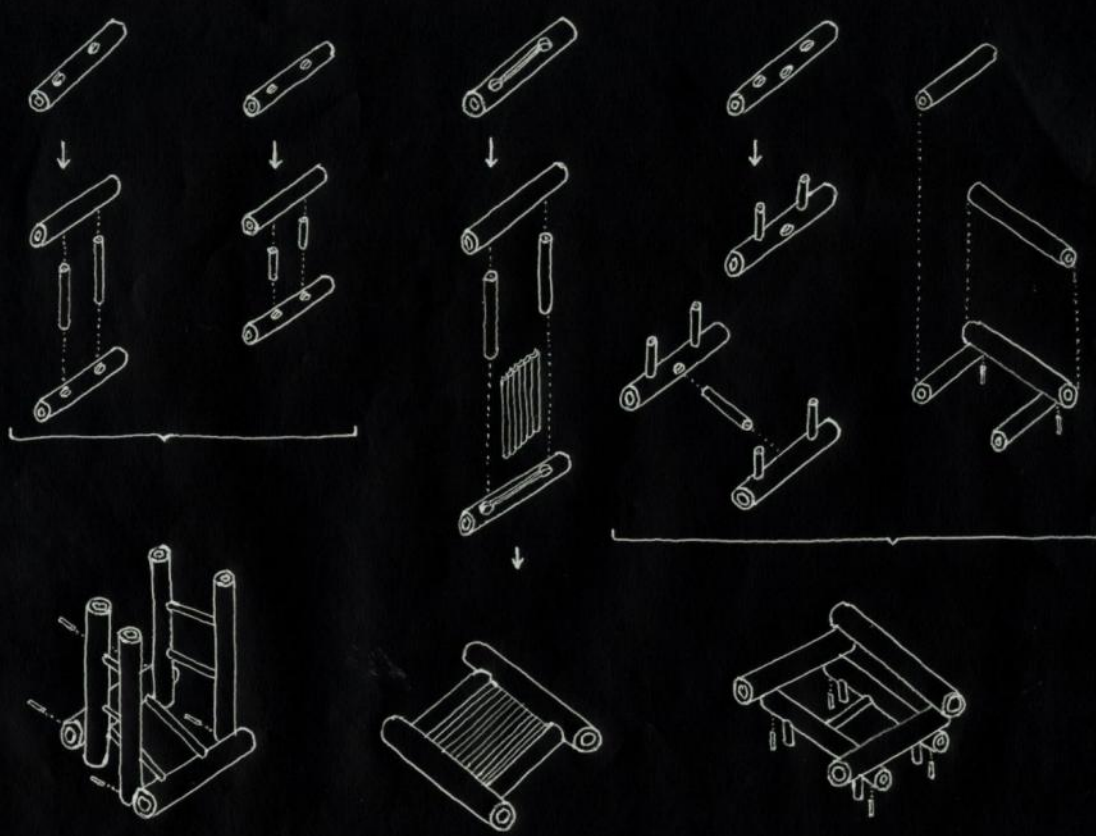
a.) Principles of design:

- Limited length of bamboos
- Modular frames
- Easy making

b.) Production phases:

- Cut bamboo pieces
- Frames and joinery
- Bamboo mat covering
- Finishing with linseed oil

- **Furniture Manufacture** -



> Single armchair

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- Furniture Manufacture -



- Sitting room set

> Single armchair

> Triple armchair

> Low table



- Furniture Manufacture -



- Dinning room set

> Standard chair

> Dinning table



- Furniture Manufacture -



> School desk



- Furniture Manufacture -





Headquarters at Mwenge
(Dar-es-Salaam)



- Technical Research -

Specimens taken from treated bamboo in Mbeya
36 samples, from 18 different bamboo stems

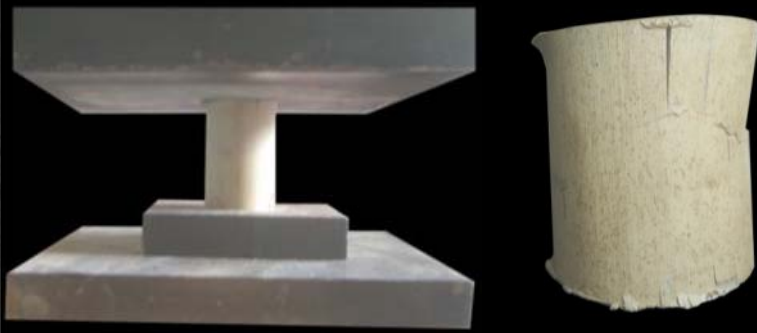


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	Wall thickness (mm)	Ext. Ø (mm)	Int. Ø (mm)	Ext. Area (mm ²)	Int. Area (mm ²)	Height (mm)	Volume (mm ³)	Compr. Effect. A (mm ²)	Shear Effect. A (mm ²)
1.	9.00	70.00	52.00	3,848.45	2,123.72	90.00	346,360.52	1,724.73	1,620.00
2.	7.00	50.00	36.00	1,963.50	1,017.88	90.00	176,714.55	945.62	1,260.00
3.	6.00	56.00	44.00	2,463.01	1,520.53	90.00	221,670.73	942.48	1,080.00
4.	6.00	53.00	41.00	2,206.18	1,320.25	90.00	198,556.47	885.93	1,080.00
5.	11.00	58.00	36.00	2,642.08	1,017.88	90.00	237,787.10	1,624.20	1,980.00
6.	9.00	56.00	38.00	2,463.01	1,134.11	90.00	221,670.73	1,328.89	1,620.00
7.	7.00	56.00	42.00	2,463.01	1,385.44	90.00	221,670.73	1,077.57	1,260.00
8.	6.00	49.00	37.00	1,885.74	1,075.21	90.00	169,716.65	810.53	1,080.00
9.	6.00	58.00	46.00	2,642.08	1,661.90	90.00	237,787.10	980.18	1,080.00
10.	5.00	52.00	42.00	2,123.72	1,385.44	90.00	191,134.46	738.27	900.00
11.	5.00	55.00	45.00	2,375.83	1,590.43	90.00	213,824.61	785.40	900.00
12.	6.00	50.00	38.00	1,963.50	1,134.11	90.00	176,714.55	829.38	1,080.00
13.	6.00	55.00	43.00	2,375.83	1,452.20	90.00	213,824.61	923.63	1,080.00
14.	5.00	57.00	47.00	2,551.76	1,734.94	90.00	229,658.23	816.81	900.00
15.	6.00	53.00	41.00	2,206.18	1,320.25	90.00	198,556.47	885.93	1,080.00
16.	6.00	55.00	43.00	2,375.83	1,452.20	90.00	213,824.61	923.63	1,080.00
17.	8.00	73.00	57.00	4,185.39	2,551.76	90.00	376,684.73	1,633.63	1,440.00
18.	7.00	49.00	35.00	1,885.74	962.11	90.00	169,716.65	923.63	1,260.00
Humidity content:		8-10%							



	Compression Strenght (N)	Effective Area (mm2)	Stress (N/mm2)	Total Area (mm2)	Stress (N/mm2)
1.	80,000.00	1,724.73	46.38	3,848.45	20.79
2.	50,000.00	945.62	52.88	1,963.50	25.46
3.	55,000.00	942.48	58.36	2,463.01	22.33
4.	60,000.00	885.93	67.73	2,206.18	27.20
5.	80,000.00	1,624.20	49.26	2,642.08	30.28
6.	75,000.00	1,328.89	56.44	2,463.01	30.45
7.	50,000.00	1,077.57	46.40	2,463.01	20.30
8.	65,000.00	810.53	80.19	1,885.74	34.47
9.	50,000.00	980.18	51.01	2,642.08	18.92
10.	45,000.00	738.27	60.95	2,123.72	21.19
11.	60,000.00	785.40	76.39	2,375.83	25.25
12.	45,000.00	829.38	54.26	1,963.50	22.92
13.	40,000.00	923.63	43.31	2,375.83	16.84
14.	60,000.00	816.81	73.46	2,551.76	23.51
15.	55,000.00	885.93	62.08	2,206.18	24.93
16.	40,000.00	923.63	43.31	2,375.83	16.84
17.	100,000.00	1,633.63	61.21	4,185.39	23.89
18.	55,000.00	923.63	59.55	1,885.74	29.17
	Effective stress =		57.95	Total stress =	24.15



	Shear Strenght (N)	Effective Area (mm2)	Stress (N/mm2)	Total Area (mm2)	Stress (N/mm2)
1.	20,000.00	1,620.00	12.35	3,848.45	5.20
2.	15,000.00	1,260.00	11.90	1,963.50	7.64
3.	15,000.00	1,080.00	13.89	2,463.01	6.09
4.	5,000.00	1,080.00	4.63	2,206.18	2.27
5.	10,000.00	1,980.00	5.05	2,642.08	3.78
6.	15,000.00	1,620.00	9.26	2,463.01	6.09
7.	20,000.00	1,260.00	15.87	2,463.01	8.12
8.	15,000.00	1,080.00	13.89	1,885.74	7.95
9.	15,000.00	1,080.00	13.89	2,642.08	5.68
10.	15,000.00	900.00	16.67	2,123.72	7.06
11.	10,000.00	900.00	11.11	2,375.83	4.21
12.	10,000.00	1,080.00	9.26	1,963.50	5.09
13.	15,000.00	1,080.00	13.89	2,375.83	6.31
14.	10,000.00	900.00	11.11	2,551.76	3.92
15.	10,000.00	1,080.00	9.26	2,206.18	4.53
16.	10,000.00	1,080.00	9.26	2,375.83	4.21
17.	10,000.00	1,440.00	6.94	4,185.39	2.39
18.	20,000.00	1,260.00	15.87	1,885.74	10.61
Effective stress =			11.34	Total stress =	5.62



Thank you very much

