



World Habitat Award 1998

'Promotion of Woodless Construction in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger'

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The World Habitat Award 1988 has been presented by the Building and Social Housing Foundation (BSHF) to Development Workshop (DW) for its role in the 'Promotion of Woodless Construction in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger'.

Woodless construction is the name used in the Sahel countries of West Africa for the construction of vault and dome roofed buildings using hand moulded mud bricks.

Woodless construction :

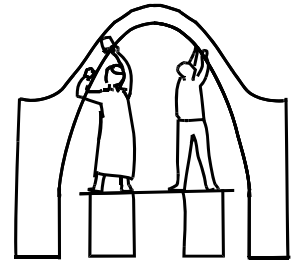
- ❖ Protects the environment and saves wood
- ❖ Develops local skills through and income generation opportunities
- ❖ Improves living conditions and infrastructure for local families and communities
- ❖ Provides a sustainable technique to meet growing shelter needs with scarce resources



Spontaneous house construction by trained builders in Niger using local available earth bricks.

The World Habitat Award seeks to identify human settlement projects that offer sustainable futures to residents and which present practical solutions to current problems.

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Development Workshop thanks all its partners and the individuals who contribute to the promotion of Woodless Construction, and above all, the builders who have been trained over the past 10 years in the Sahel, who make the adoption of Woodless Construction possible.

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