



SUCCESSFUL DIASPORA RESPONSE!

At the beginning of the summer 2010, both the Afar Friends in Sweden and Afar Pastoralist Development Association (APDA) issued a joint Fundraising Appeal to raise Match Funding of 25% of **€1 035 000** of total project cost to meet the Terms and Condition of the European Funding toward in support of Water and Sanitation Project cost for over three years. It has been confirmed that 75% of project cost will be funding by European Funding, for over 3 years. The Project will be implemented, managed and delivered, monitored and evaluated by APDA and SONNE International jointly.

During our Joint Fundraising Appeal, there were several groups and organizations of the Afar Diaspora who have show willingness and interest in contributing both in kind and in cash to the APDA's Water and Sanitation Project, as the Fund from the EU requires that the applicant must contribute with 25% of the project cost as "Match Funding".

The first concrete step has now been taken by the "**Afar Community Association in Belgium**" *Communauté Afar de Belgique (CAB)* in hosting a fundraising event in Brussels on July 31, 2010, in support the project.

We would like to take this opportunity to convey our collective appreciations to Afar Community Association in Belgium and its Management Committee and members and to everyone involved in recognition of their dedicated effort and for organising, providing, and making such a wonderful fundraising event possible.

Thank you again and Congratulations on Your Success!

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