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We focus on achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 4 and 17 through the TYPSA Foundation for Development, setting short-, medium- and long-term targets and indicators.





1. TARGETS WE WORK TOWARDS

Target 4.3. By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university.

Target 4.4. By 2030, substantially increase the number of young people and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship.

Target 17.17. Encourage and promote effective public, publicprivate, and civil society partnerships, building on the experience and resourcing strategies of partnerships.

2. OUR COMMITMENT

Promote technical education in developing countries.

3. ACHIEVEMENTS

- Gradual increase in the number of students in engineering faculties. The Foundation pays 50 % toward the cost of tuition fees.
- New access road to UNILAC (Lake Albert University, D.R. Congo) from Mahagi (3 km), with a sprayed seal.
- Teaching staff residence allowances in Mahagi to encourage staff to settle at UNILAC enabling students to learn without interruptions.
- Boreholes, an elevated reservoir and a distribution network to supply drinking water.
- Geotechnical soil laboratory set up at UNILAC. The basic instrumentation was donated by UPM and TYPSA.
- Permanent high speed internet service.
- Monthly on-line tutorials given by UPM professors.
- Good results in the local talent pool for Civil Engineering and Agronomy graduates in 2021. 80% of Civil Engineering graduates have been able to benefit from Foundation-promoted employment opportunities.

The Foundation's collaboration with the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM) in the UNILAC University project in Mahagi, won the 2021 UPM Annual Prize for Research and Innovation in the 'Public-Private Development Partnerships for Sustainable Development Goals in collaboration with the Polytechnic University of Madrid' category.

4. INDICATOR TRENDS

UNILAC University, Mahagi (DRC)	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
Number of students	215	343	368
Number of scholarships	118	171	163

5. GOOD BUSINESS PRACTICE 2019: Supporting Education in Africa

TYPSA Foundation for Development reflects the company's sensitivity to the challenges of the African continent and to its commitment to providing development opportunities through education that contribute to the well-being of future generations. The launch of UNILAC University is the company's most sustainable project, conceived to train young Africans in disciplines that will enable them to develop business initiatives locally and discourage talent migration.