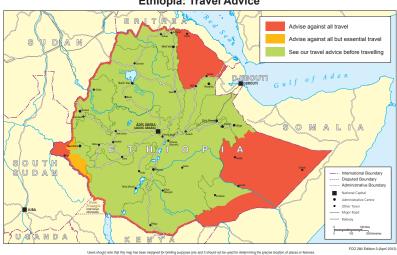


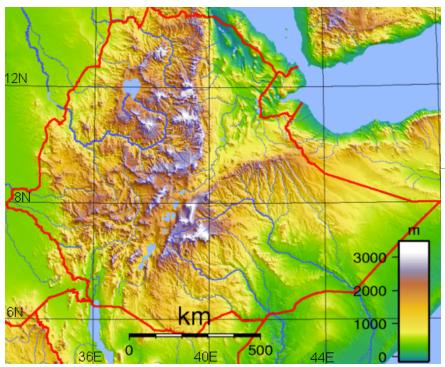




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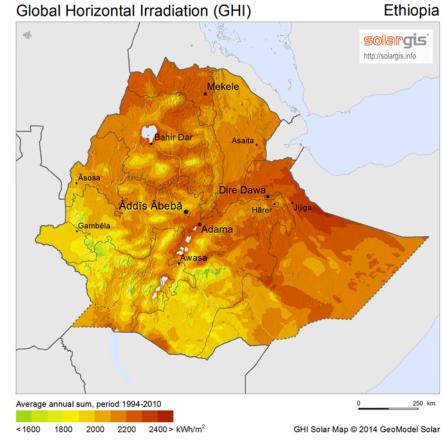
Ethiopia is at high altitude and close to the equator (bottom edge of map).

Population about 100 million people.

Mostly rural farmers.

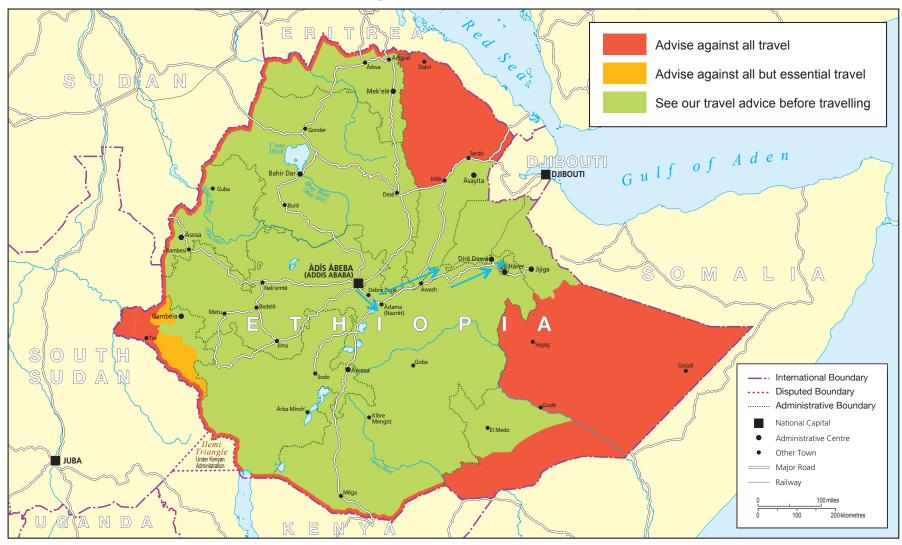
Solar irradiance is the highest on Earth

Typical value in Ohio is ~1200 kWh/m²



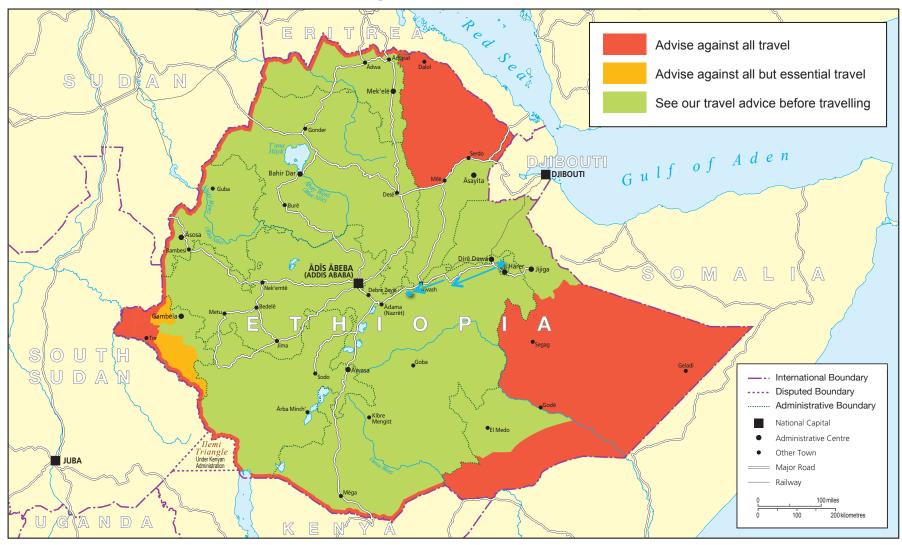


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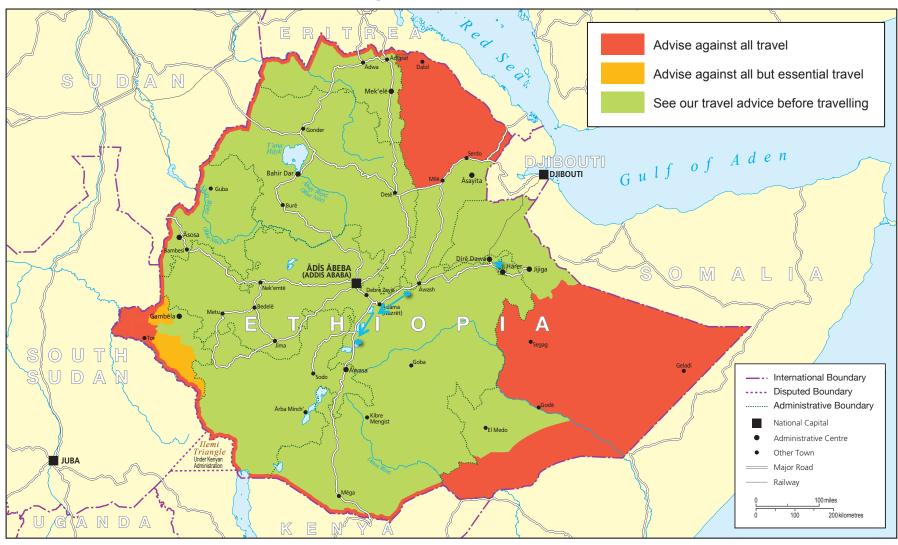


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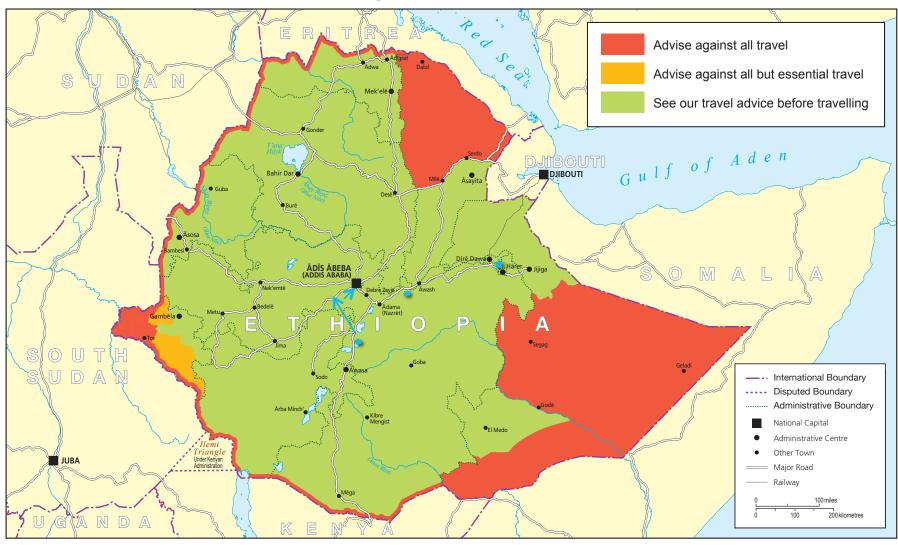


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Accomplishments & Impacts

Forge relationships between the University of Cincinnati and Ethiopian undergraduate students



Entrepreneurial approach to development assistance as a partnership

Application of engineering, design, and business training towards a collaborative project that can improve the living standard for rural sub-Saharan communities

What I Gained

Experienced first-hand the lack of accessible water outside of developed communities

Overcame language barriers in order to complete a project

Full immersion into a new culture

Exposed to engineering practices that differ greatly than those used in the US









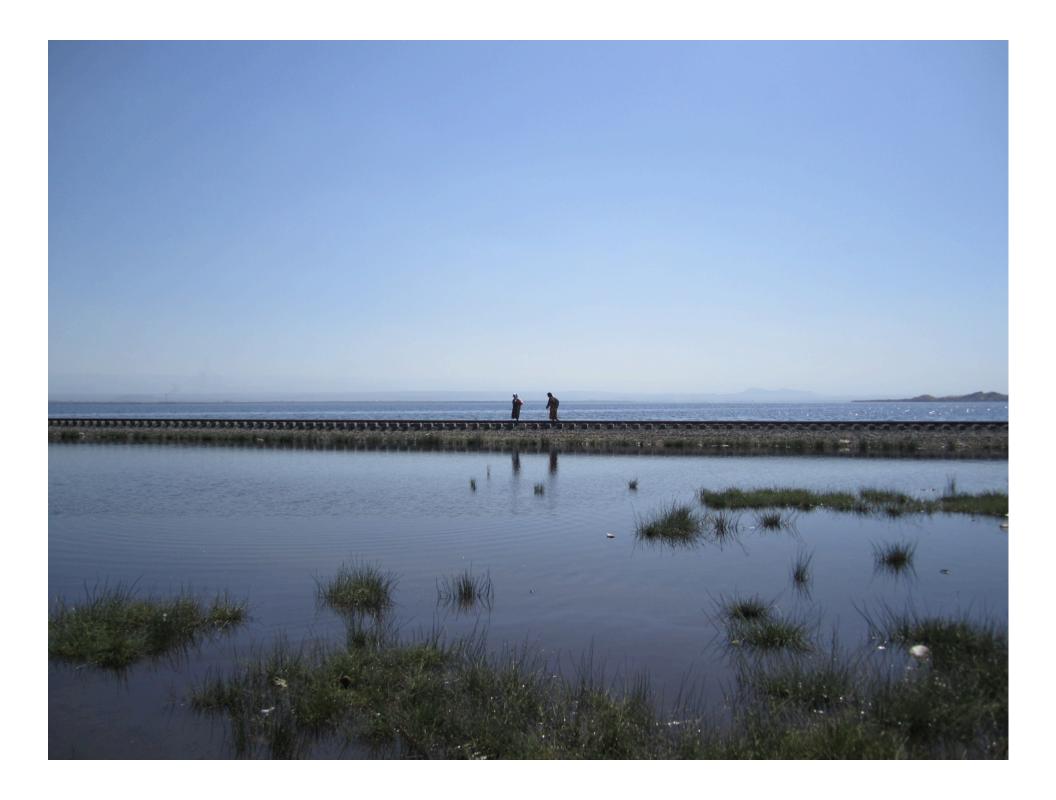




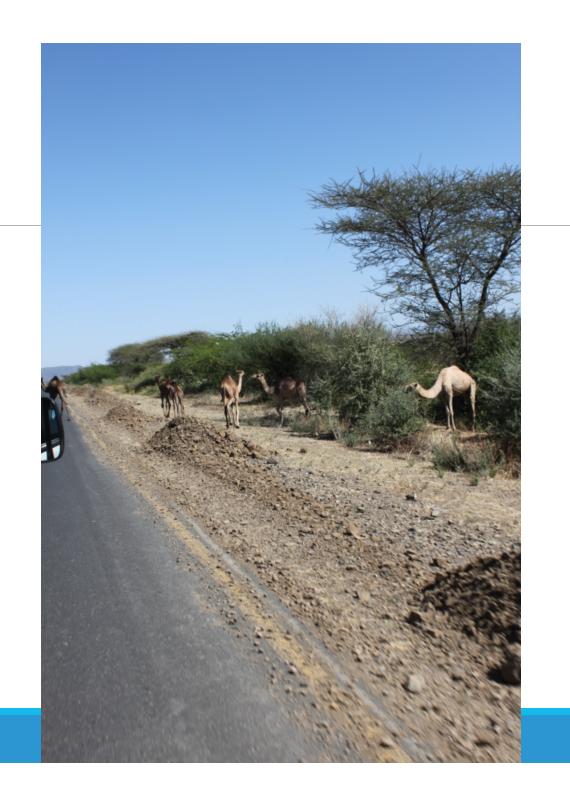


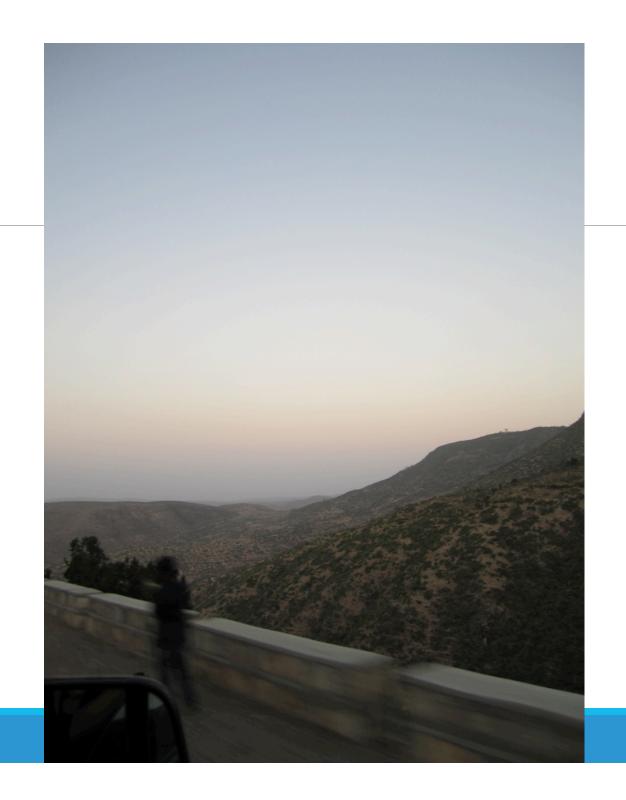




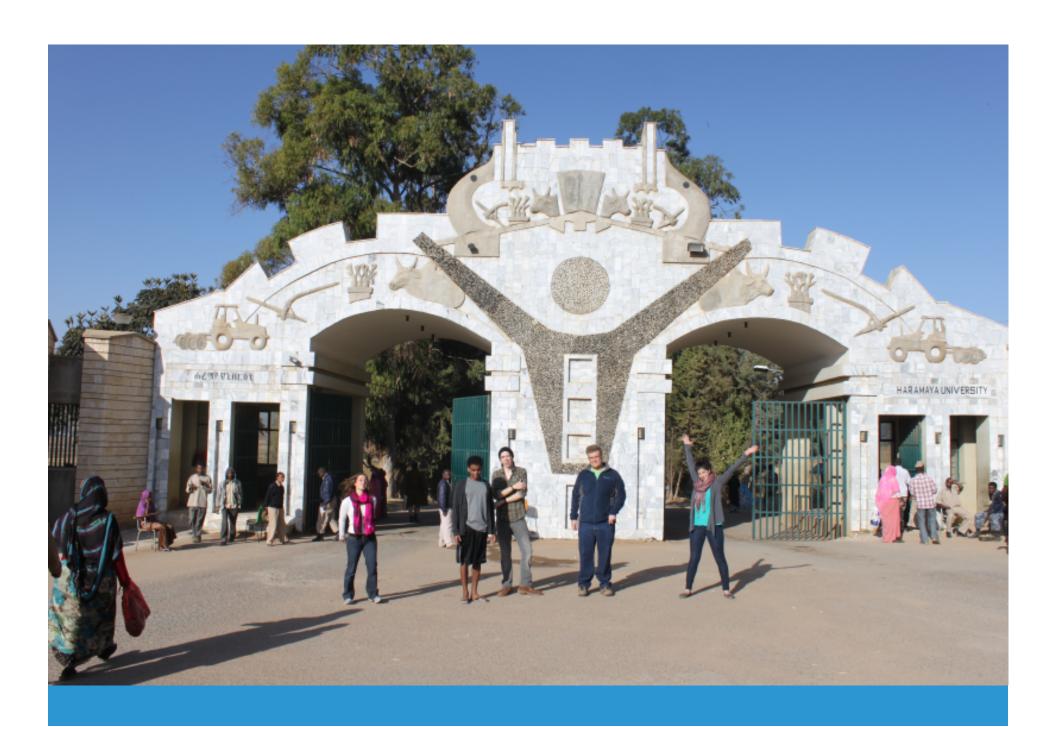


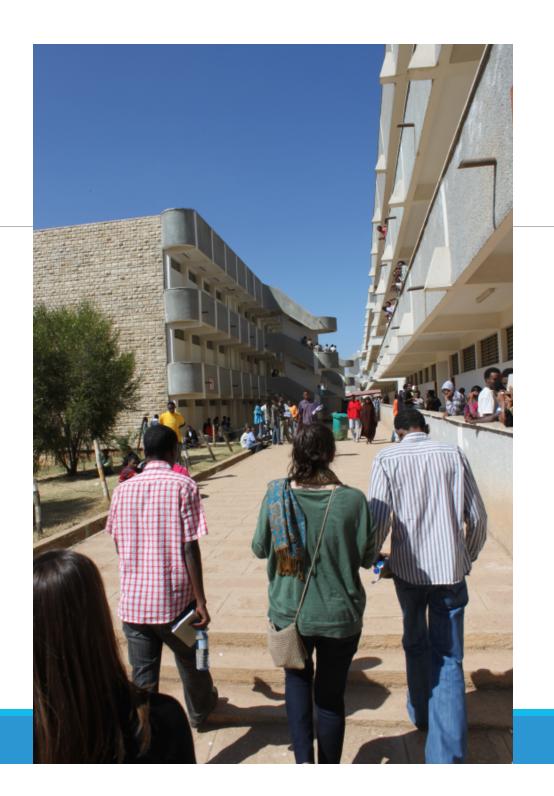


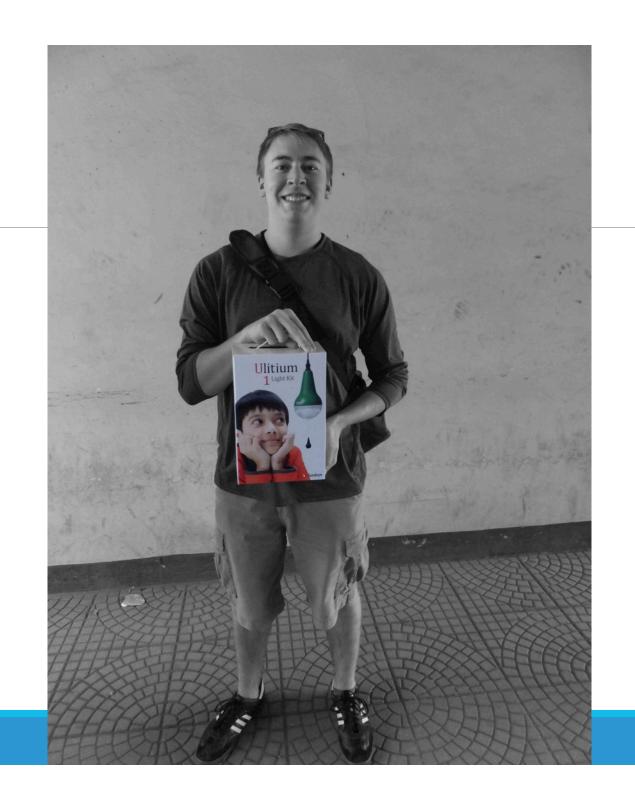




























Well # 2
30 m, almost dry









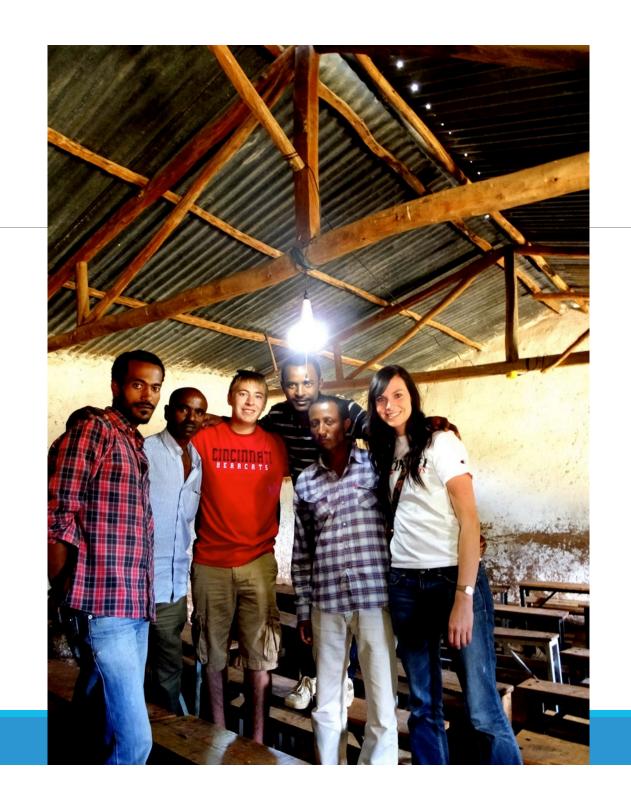








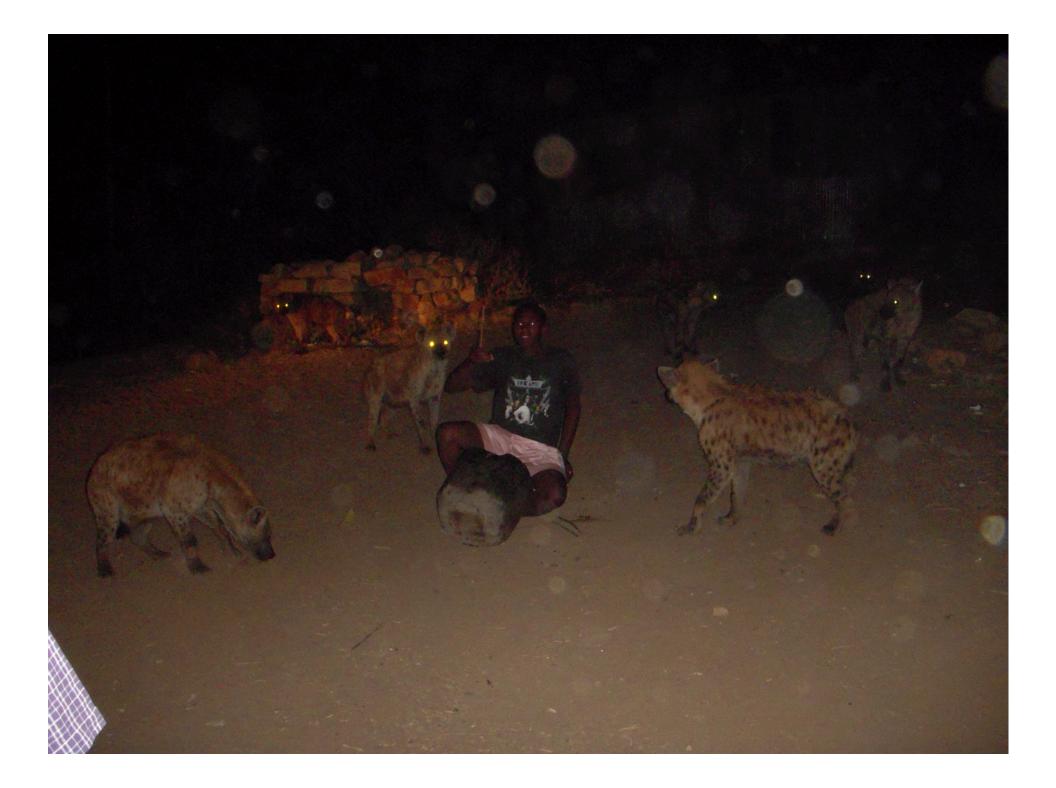
















- -Engineering, Architecture, Design, and Marketing undergraduate students from the University of Cincinnati (UC) will collaborate with their counterparts at Dire Dawa University (DDU) to assemble outdoor solar lighting from components as a learning experience for in country manufacture of solar lighting.
- -The project will be conducted in December, during a visit by 14 UC students to Dire Dawa.
- -A target village, in the Oromo Mountains, will be fitted with 35 outdoor lights that will improve safety and living standards in an area with no grid power
- -Students will assess the impact and viability of a business model for the student designs.
- -The interaction is expected to lead to long-term relationships between the US and Ethiopian students as well as between the two groups of students and the village.

- -80 % of Marriages in the Oromia region of Ethiopia are by abduction.
- -Partly this is an accepted cultural custom but partially it is against the girls will.
- -Often abductions occur at night so improved lighting can help prevent unwanted abduction.

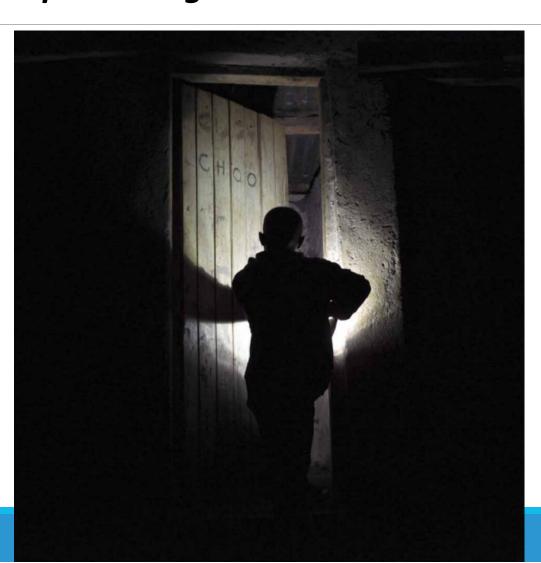




Figure 3. Alfredo Moser and his solar light invention in Brazil. (www.bbc.com/news/magazine-23536914)



Figure 1. Solar lanterns in use in the Philippines (www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PSsyufpZ2Q).

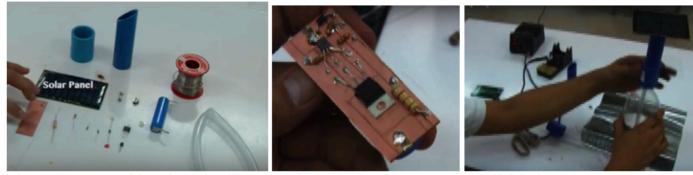


Figure 2. Assembly of a solar lantern using simple components available in country. (www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAPNtEFzrcA)

Number of People Impacted by Project:

Ethiopians:

Primary School Students: 600-650

Primary School Instructors: 4

Villagers: 100

Regional impact of demonstration

of simple solar technology ~many 10,000s

College students at Dire Dawa University participating 30 actively involved total impact 300

Faculty at Dire Dawa University, 50

Haramaya University, 4

Addis Ababa University 10

US:

Undergraduate students: 16-18 traveling, 4-6 not traveling

Faculty: 2 traveling, 1 not traveling

Estimated Budget for Materials:				
In country purchases:				
80 Bags of Concrete	\$3 per bag	\$240		
~2 Bags per pole				
40 PVC Pipes 4' x 10"	\$20	\$800		
30 PVC T & U joints	\$10	\$400		
Solder		\$50		
Subtotal for Installation:		\$1490	Per unit cost ~\$37	
Purchases in US:				
40 Blank PCBs		\$25 (Amazon.com	n)	
40 LED Bulbs		\$15 (Ebay.com)		
40 Solar Panels		\$130 (Alibaba.com	1)	
40 Batteries	ies		\$250 (BatterySpace.com)	
Wire etc.		\$100 (TBD)		
Subtotal for Lanterns:		\$520	Per unit cost ~\$13	
Grand Total:		\$2,010	Per unit cost ~\$50	

