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COLLEGE**

‘The Grandmother
Revolution’

**First Arab States Regional South-South Development Expo- ILO Solution
Forum: Youth Employment and Decent Work in the Arab States
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جمعية أصدقاء البيئة الأردنية
FRIENDS OF ENVIRONMENT SOCIETY

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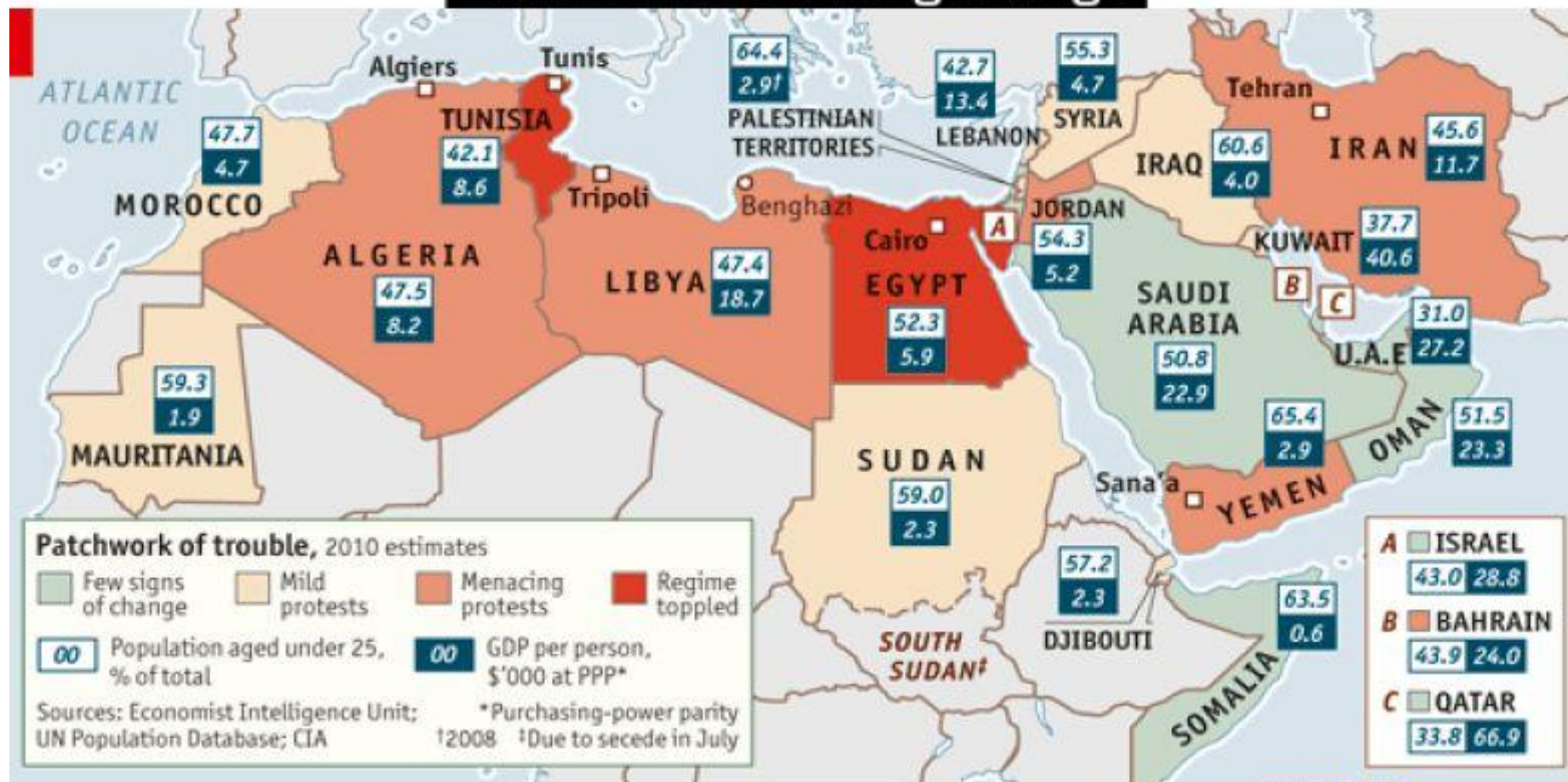


12%

49 LEAST
DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES
MAKE UP
12% OF THE
WORLD
POPULATION

80% of these people live in **rural areas.**

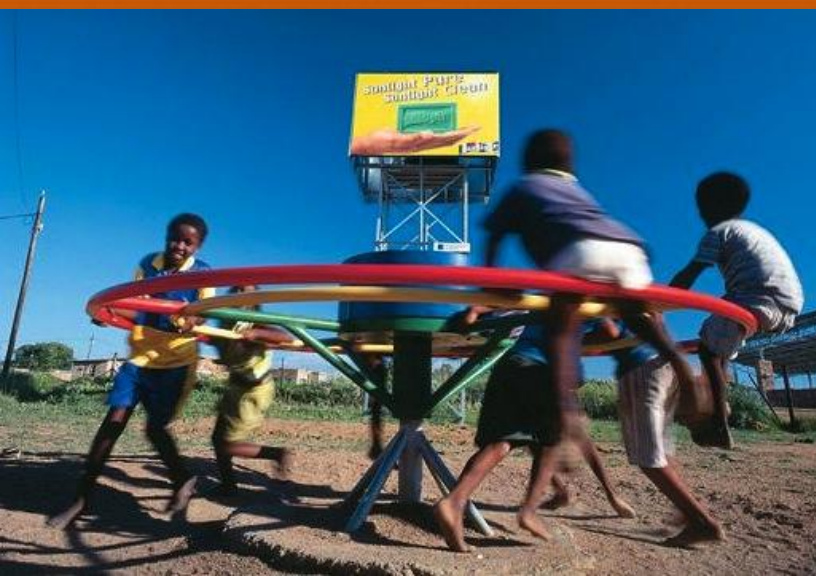
Arab nations facing change



POPULATION







The solutions being offered
are often **irrelevant &**
inadequate to their lives.



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Scalable Impact

The solution be
a Grandmother?

64 COUNTRIES

**859 BAREFOOT
SOLAR ENGINEERS**

1081 VILLAGES

45,000 HOUSES

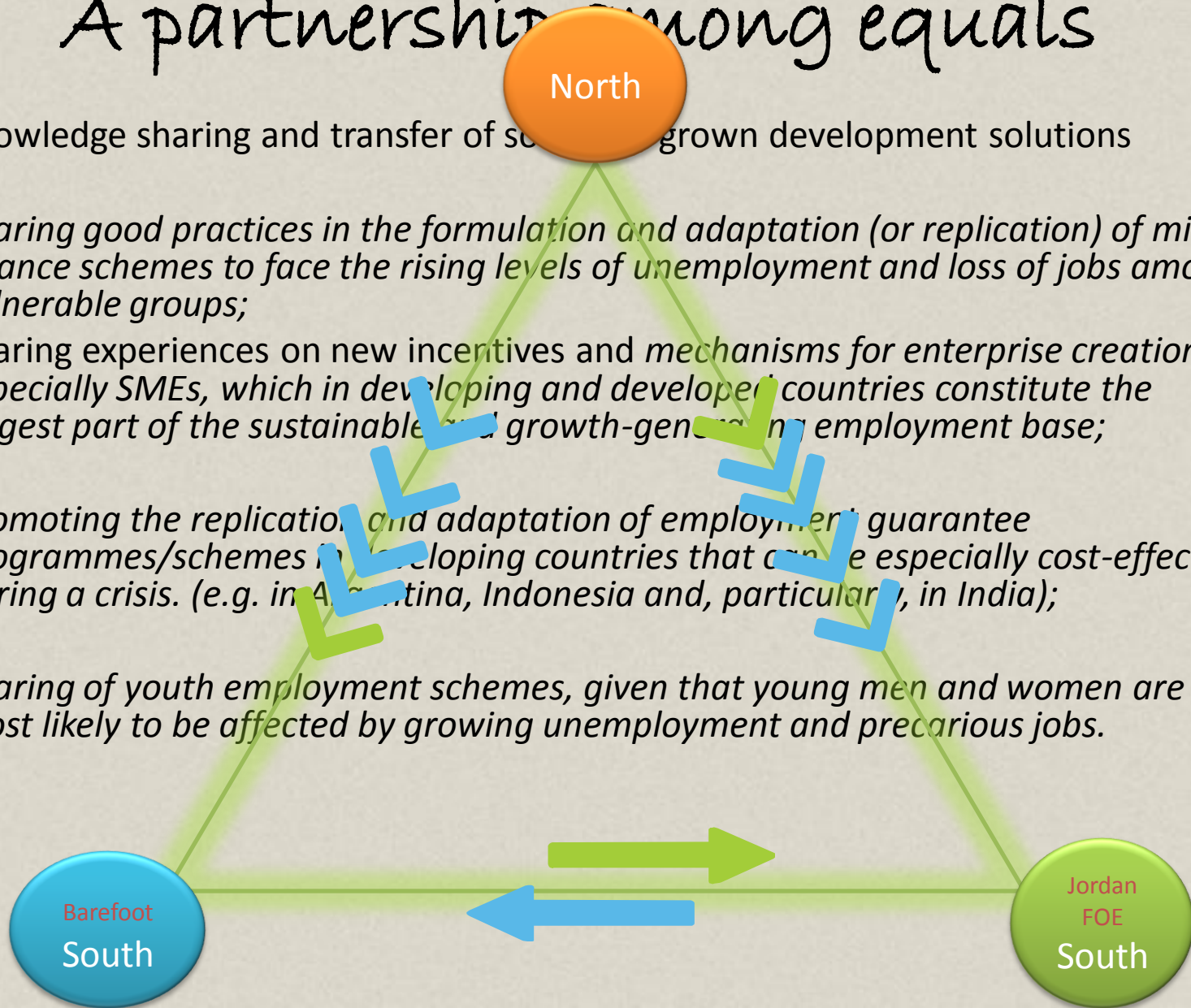


What can we do?

Triangular cooperation...

A partnership among equals

- knowledge sharing and transfer of sustainable growth development solutions
- *Sharing good practices in the formulation and adaptation (or replication) of micro-finance schemes to face the rising levels of unemployment and loss of jobs among vulnerable groups;*
- *Sharing experiences on new incentives and mechanisms for enterprise creation, especially SMEs, which in developing and developed countries constitute the largest part of the sustainable growth-generating employment base;*
- *Promoting the replication and adaptation of employment guarantee programmes/schemes in developing countries that can be especially cost-effective during a crisis. (e.g. in Argentina, Indonesia and, particularly, in India);*
- *Sharing of youth employment schemes, given that young men and women are most likely to be affected by growing unemployment and precarious jobs.*

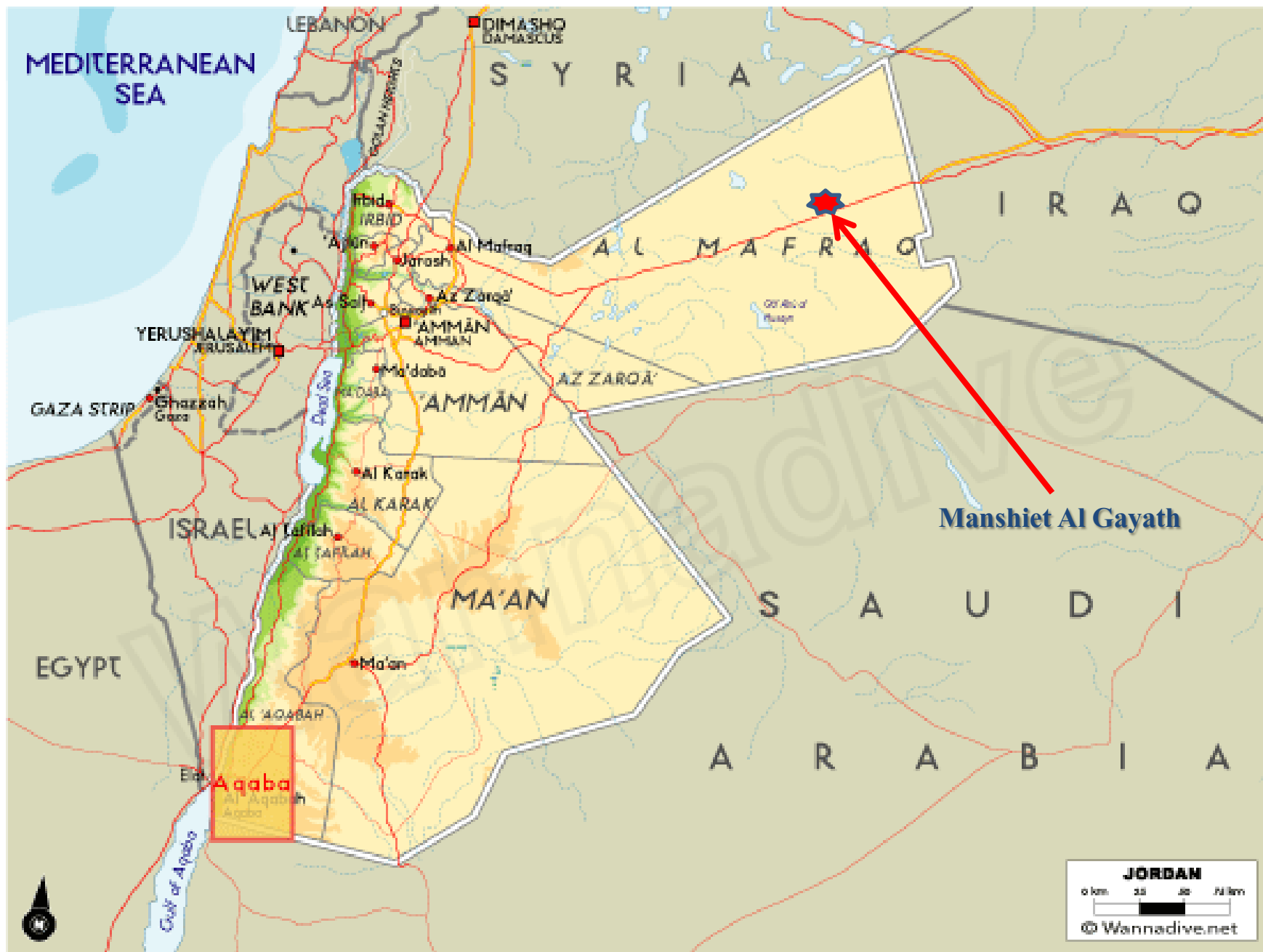




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Women For Solar Electrification of Rural villages

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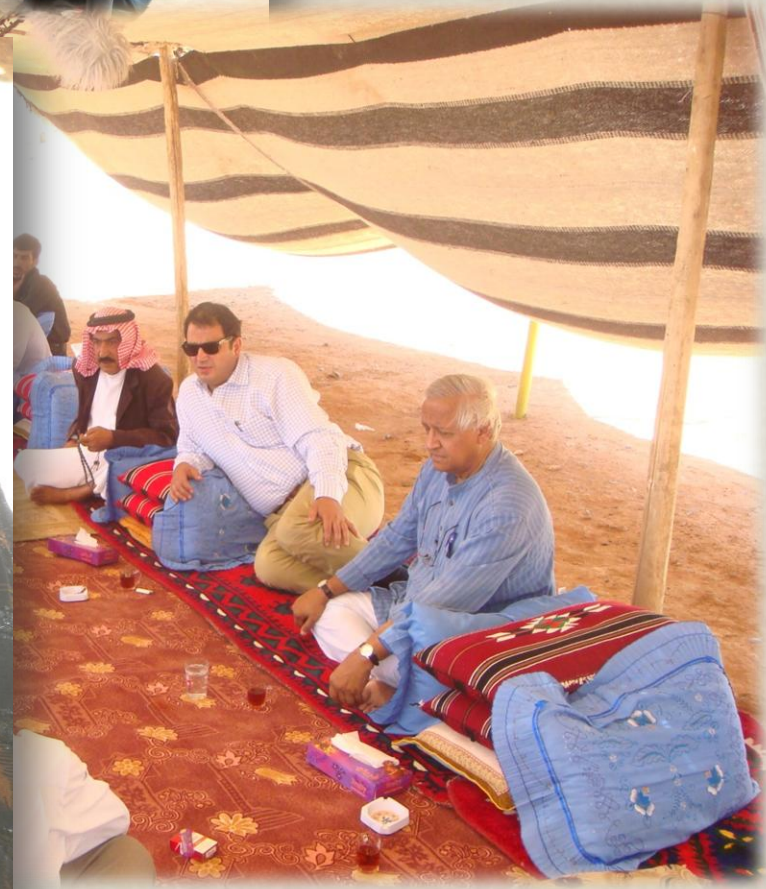








➔ **Learning by doing –
hand signals, colors,
drawings**





➔ 6 month training in a remote rural village where they don't speak the language, the food is different, life is different











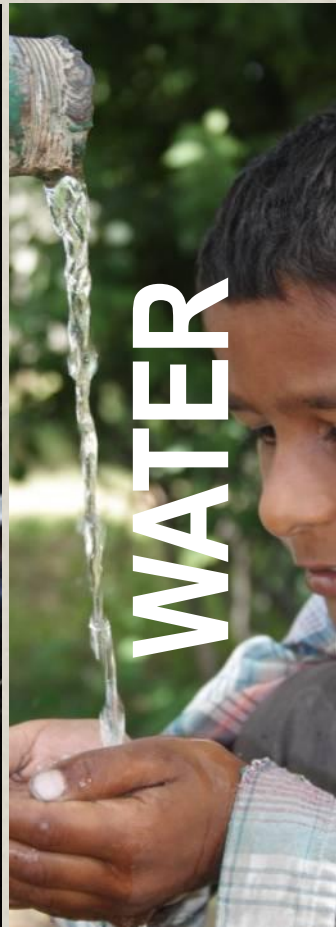
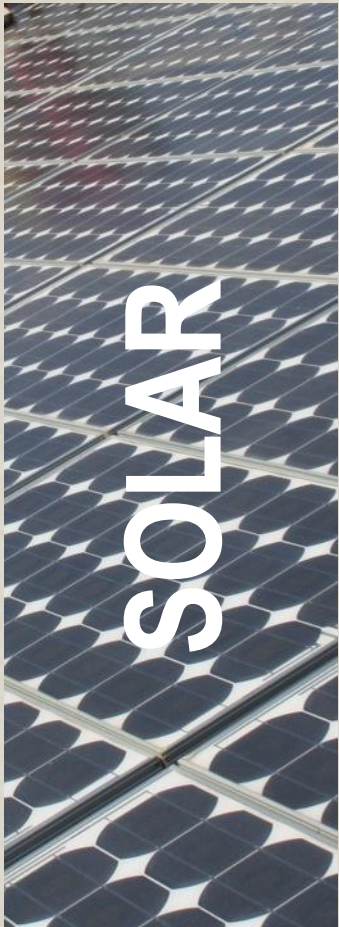






Exposed to a **World of Possibilities**

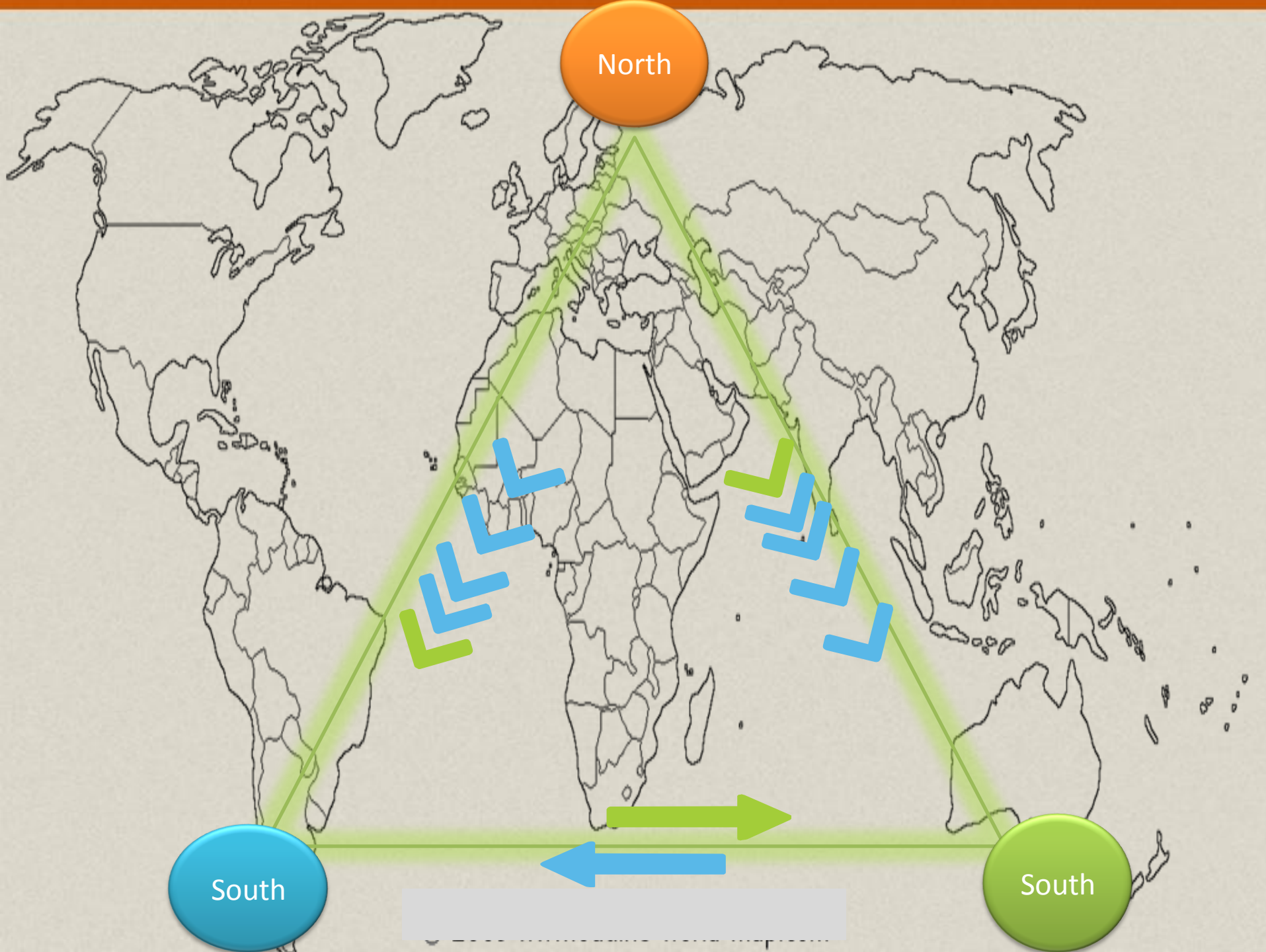
Our grandmother experiences 40 years of rural village transformation upon arrival to Barefoot College.



World of Possibilities Activism Solutions

ACTIVISM







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