

## The Veneto Region (Italy) supports the promotion and transfer of the innovations of its territory in the interested countries



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The Veneto Region (Italy), through its Direction for International Relations, has been operating for many years with decentralized cooperation activities in many countries in Africa, Latin America, Asia and Oceania. In this framework, and consistent with its programmatic Plan 2010-2012, the Veneto Region has established a strategic partnership with the IDEASS Programme, in particular to strengthen the activities implemented with UNOPS Regional Office of Tunes.

During 2009, the IDEASS Programme has started the international promotion of a successful technology, developed by the University of Padua and currently also supported by the University of Venice: the [Solar Still for drinkable water production](#). This innovation is being implemented in many countries, which requested the technical assistance of its inventor.

The new collaboration between IDEASS and the Veneto Region envisages the implementation of two initiatives aimed at promoting international innovations in human development coming or implemented successfully in the Region, by supporting initiatives for the transfer of these innovations in the interested countries with the collaboration of their authors.

This initiative, funded with 70,000 euros, includes two components. The first component, which will be implemented from early 2012, foresees for the realization of the Catalogue of Innovations for Human Development of the Veneto Region, with the following activities:

- Identification of innovative technologies and methodologies implemented in the regional territory
- Production of brochures presenting these technologies and methodologies, with the active collaboration of their authors
- Promotion of the innovations at the international level and in the interested countries, also by participating in international thematic events
- Organization of the missions of the authors for the transfer of innovative knowledge in the countries and with the actors who have expressed an interest in their use.



The second component envisages an action in Tunisia, focused to promote the innovations of the regional territory, to assist the actors interested in their use and to provide the technical assistance necessary for implementing technology and methodology transfer projects.

The pictures show the great results achieved in the recovery of the territory of the Veneto region through water natural purification methodologies.

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