

# Karpowership Leads Community Clean-Up Initiative in Yopougon

**Yopougon, 2 June 2026** - As part of its ongoing corporate social responsibility initiatives, Karpowership organized an environmental clean-up and awareness activity in the Azito neighborhood of Yopougon. The initiative took place along the road connecting the waste collection area to the Bateau Bus station, a highly frequented area regularly affected by waste accumulation.

Placed under the theme of environmental responsibility and community engagement, the initiative brought together around 50 participants, including young volunteers from the Youth Council of Yopougon, women representatives from a local civil society organization, Karpowership employees, and environmental experts from Faman, the technical partner of the operation.

## Awareness and Community Action

As part of the programme, participants received awareness training on waste collection, environmental protection, public hygiene, ecological responsibility, and waste sorting practices, with a particular focus on recyclable plastic waste.

Following the awareness session, volunteers carried out large-scale clean-up activities in the targeted area, contributing to improving the cleanliness and overall environment of the neighborhood. The initiative also encouraged community participation, with local residents joining the operation throughout the day.

Speaking during the event, Karpowership Côte d'Ivoire Country Director Mr. Gunkut Korman emphasized the importance of environmental responsibility and long-term community engagement:

“As a long-term energy partner in Côte d'Ivoire, we believe our role goes beyond providing reliable electricity. Through environmental and community-focused initiatives such as this, Karpowership also aims to contribute positively to local communities and support environmental awareness among younger generations. Organized as part of the World Environment Day initiatives, this project also highlights the importance of collective action in maintaining cleaner and healthier urban environments for future generations. These initiatives reflect our ongoing commitment to Côte d'Ivoire and our determination to create sustainable and meaningful impact beyond energy generation.” he stated.

## Community Engagement and Local Participation

The initiative also received the support of the Youth Council of Yopougon, whose president, Mr. Assim Saba, mobilized young volunteers to participate in the operation. According to him, the activity contributed both to raising environmental awareness and improving the living environment within the community.

“Nature belongs to all of us. We must protect it. We are the first guardians of nature,” he stated, while commending the commitment of the young volunteers who took part in this citizen-led initiative.

Representatives from the Municipality of Yopougon and partner organizations also welcomed the initiative and highlighted the importance of continuing collaborative actions that contribute to cleaner and healthier urban environments.

### **A Continued Commitment to Environmental Sustainability**

Through this initiative, Karpowership reaffirms its commitment to supporting local communities, promoting environmental sustainability, and encouraging community-driven action in the areas where it operates. The company also expressed its intention to continue similar environmental initiatives in Yopougon.