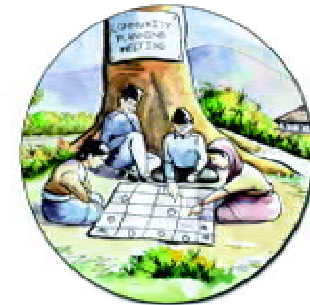
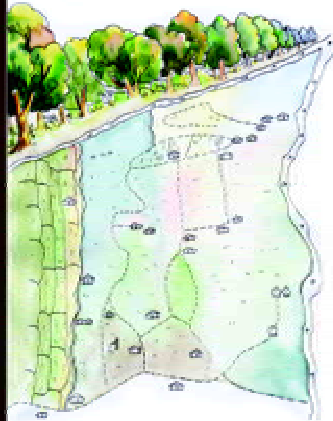


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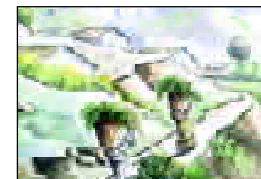
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## Foreword

*Developing Sustainable Communities, A Toolkit for Development Practitioners* is a product of the long and concerted efforts of several advisors of SNV/Nepal. Most of the examples and cases used in this toolkit are from SNV's field experiences in the remote areas of Nepal, particularly in the Eastern (Mechi Hills) and Western (Karnali Zone) development regions.

The toolkit is designed and intended for field practitioners, development workers, and facilitators involved in community mobilisation, organising, and enterprise development. It highlights four components (chapter by chapter): Social Mobilisation (SM), Appreciative Participatory Planning and Action (APPA), Market Analyses and Development (MAD), and Enterprise Support Services (ESS). The toolkit is also a resource book for researchers, planners, and rural development managers.

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