

USAID Knowledge Management Inventory

1. Describe your knowledge sharing activity - what did you do? – how did you do it?

EGAT Biodiversity Team program partners have produced over 100 publications with some in Spanish, French, Portuguese, Russian, and Bahasa translations. These publications primarily contain results, lessons learned, and conservation tools from projects around the world.

All of the publications were, and some still are, available in hardcopy and 80 are available on CD. Virtually all of the publications can be found at www.bsponline.org.

2. Describe your motivation / rationale / value proposition / business case for the initiative – why did you do it? – for whom?

The motivation to produce and catalogue such a compilation of knowledge was to share the results, lessons learned and best practices from a world-wide, 12 year, 80 million dollar biodiversity program funded by USAID. The legacy of this program showcases examples from around the world and has been shared with conservation practitioners and stakeholders around the world.

3. Describe the results of the effort – who and/or what was impacted and how? – what are the benefits?

The program activities, website, CD-ROM and hard copy publications have impacted the way conservation organizations, both - National NGOs and International NGOs -, Governments worldwide, private sector, local communities and others develop and implement programs.

This program also contributed largely to achieving the goals established under the Global Center for the Environment's results framework.

4. Describe any future implications or issues related to the initiative, e.g., what plans are in place? What current constraints or challenges are you facing? How is the initiative being sustained / maintained? How can it be replicated or scaled up?

The program ended in 2001. The challenge is filling the analysis gap which the close of the program created. The knowledge created through the program has been maintained through the accessibility to the information. We are in the process of working with new program partners on a large-scale conservation program that we anticipate will contain an analysis component that will keep information current.

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