





ITTO & CITES: Collaboration for trade in sustainably managed tropical tree species







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Background



- Collaboration since 1990s through ITTO participation in CITES Timber Working Groups.
- Several ITTC and CITES decisions call for cooperation
- Worked together in 2005-06 to develop a large capacity building project; this gave rise to phase 1 of the ITTO-CITES Program (2007-2010)
- Phase 2 proposal developed in 2011 and commenced in 2012 (2012-2016)
- Now working on Phase 3 proposal (2017-2021)











Major activities:

- Design of targeted resource inventories
- Develop/implement improved management plans
- Undertake case studies on, develop guidelines for & make NDFs (including establishing export quotas)
- Develop cost-effective regulatory systems for endangered/threatened tree species (tracking, etc.)
- CITES training workshops
- Phase 3 proposes to strengthen assistance to countries for legality assurance measures (including tracking and identification) for tree species in CITES











Funding

- Phase 1 \$3.75 million over 3.5 years; Phase 2 nearly
 \$9 million
- EU/EC provided about 80% of phase 1 funding (2.4 million euros) and 67% (5 million euros) of phase 2 funding through grants from European Commission
- Remaining (and additional) funds pledged by various donors at ITTO Council Sessions and/or through CITES (USA, Switzerland, Norway, Japan, Germany, Netherlands, New Zealand, and private sector)



























Scope

- Funds cover 3 tropical regions Africa, Latin America and Asia
- Focus of assistance on significant exporters of main CITES Appendix II listed tropical timber species in trade











Implementing COP Decisions/Resolutions

- Trade study
- Agarwood workshop
- Madagascar work program for ebonies/rosewoods
- Working with countries in RST process





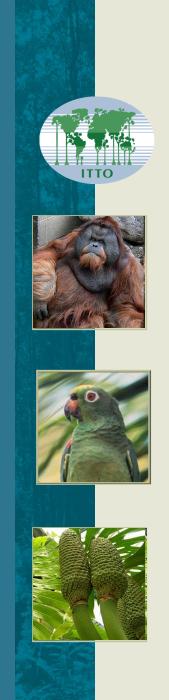






Current status

- 40 activities completed or being finalized under Phase 2 in all target countries; 14 activities seeking around \$2 million pending funding
- All activity outputs and reports are available on Program website (www.itto.int)





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