



The Programme of Work on Island Biodiversity (POWIB)

In-depth review at COP 11 and opportunities for
The Caribbean

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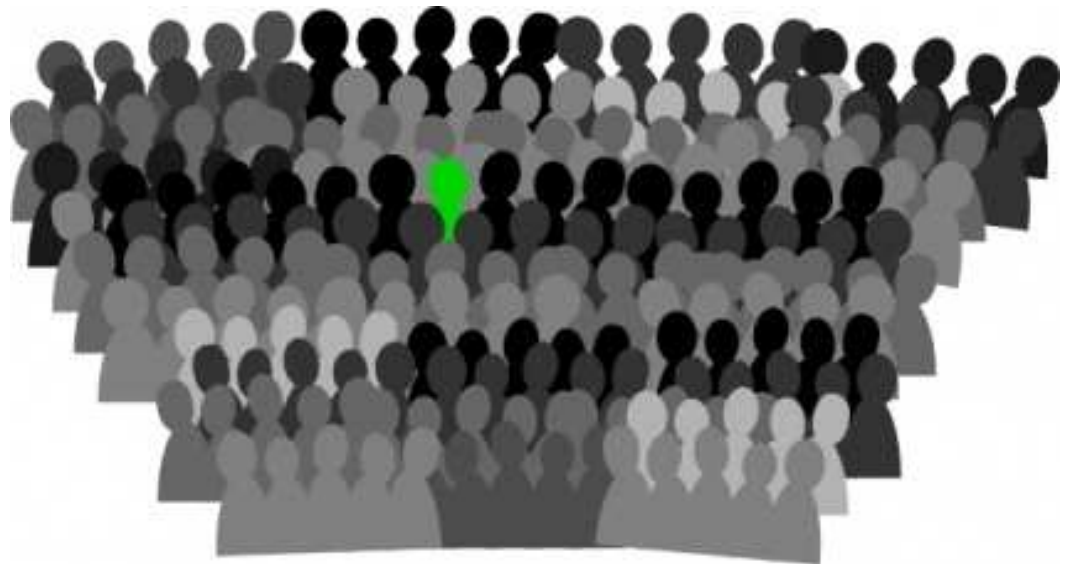


I. The Island Biodiversity Programme of Work (PoWIB)

- Adopted March 2006 by the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) at its eighth meeting, in Brazil, (decision VIII/1) (developed 2004-2006)
- The first-ever programme of work dedicated solely to the uniqueness and fragility of island biodiversity (a space for islands)
- Engages both island countries and countries with islands



Programme of Work on Island Biodiversity: Provides a voice for islands within the CBD



Thematic Programmes

- Agricultural Biodiversity
- Dry and Sub-humid Lands Biodiversity
- Forest Biodiversity
- Inland Waters Biodiversity
- **Island Biodiversity**
- Marine and Coastal Biodiversity
- Mountain Biodiversity

Cross-Cutting Issues

- Aichi Biodiversity Targets
- Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing
- Biodiversity for Development
- Climate Change and Biodiversity
- Communication, Education and Public Awareness
- Economics, Trade and Incentive Measures
- Ecosystem Approach
- Gender and Biodiversity
- Global Strategy for Plant Conservation
- Global Taxonomy Initiative
- Impact Assessment
- Identification, Monitoring, Indicators and Assessments
- Invasive Alien Species
- Liability and Redress - Art. 14(2)
- Protected Areas
- Sustainable Use of Biodiversity
- Tourism and Biodiversity
- Traditional Knowledge, Innovations and Practices - Article 8(j)
- Technology Transfer and Cooperation

One-stop shop on the Convention for island Parties – objective is not to duplicate tasks

11 goals, 22 targets, 50 priority actions, seven focal areas:

1. Protect the components of biodiversity (10% of all ecosystems, protected areas network, traditional crops, gene banks)
2. Promote sustainable use (production and consumption, trade)
3. Address threats to biodiversity (loss and degradation, invasives, climate change and pollution)
4. Maintain goods and services from biodiversity to support human well-being (disaster plans, health, poverty alleviation)
5. Protect traditional knowledge and practices
6. Fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of genetic resources (ABS Nagoya Protocol)
7. Ensure provision of adequate resources (new and additional pipelines, technology transfer and development, strengthen capacity)

Our responses

- Web portal in the CBD's website (<http://www.cbd.int/island/>):
- Workshops, technical assistance
- Country and organisation commitments
- Development of Global Island Partnership (GLISPA)
- CBD COP decision IX/21 – SBSTTA 16 to undertake in-depth review of programme of work on island biodiversity for final consideration by COP 11 in 2012.



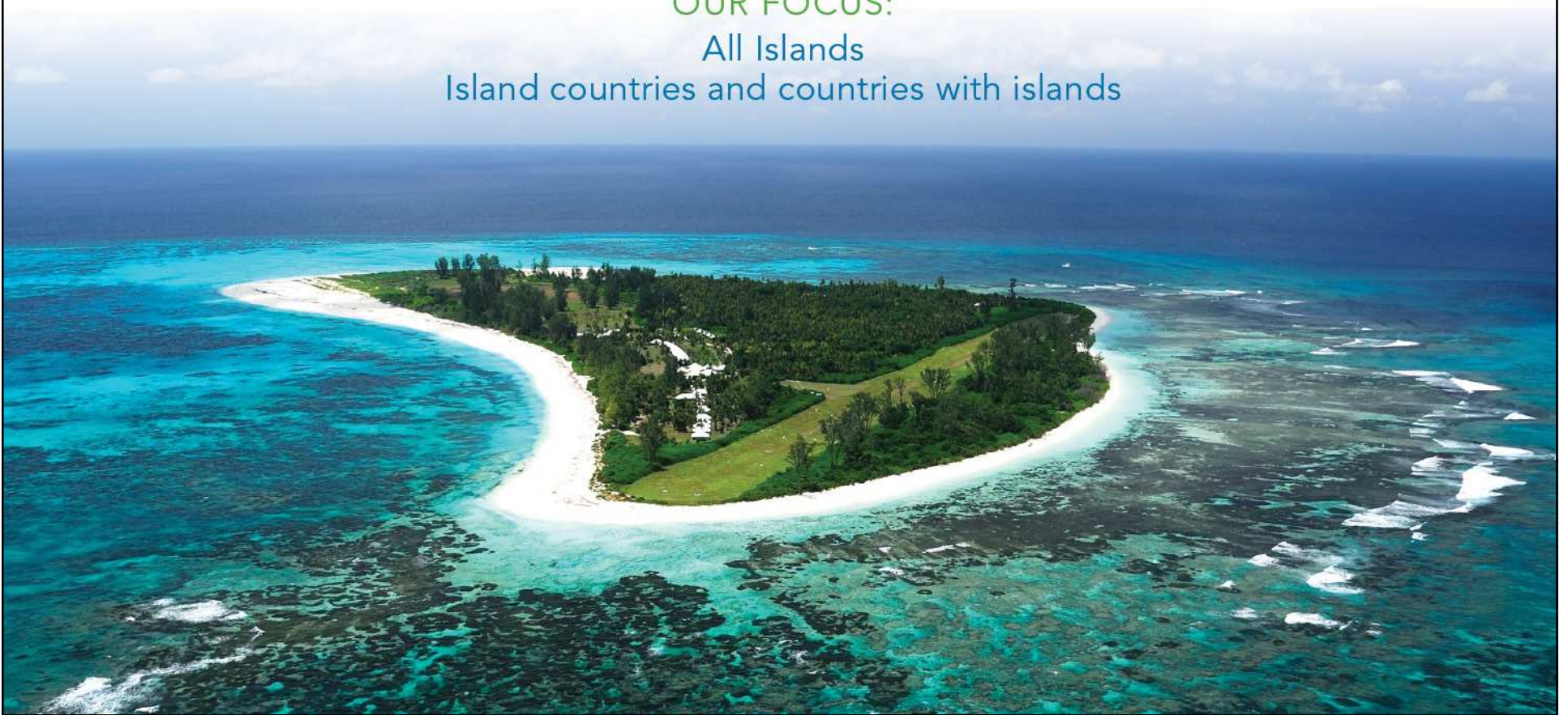
OUR MISSION:

Promoting action for island conservation and sustainable livelihoods by:

Inspiring Leadership
Catalyzing Commitments
Facilitating Collaboration

OUR FOCUS:

All Islands
Island countries and countries with islands





GLOBAL
ISLAND
PARTNERSHIP



The Partnership pursues three long-term goals:

1. Support successful implementation of partner commitments.
2. Catalyze new commitments to address critical island issues.
3. Establish and maintain a flexible and efficient Partnership responsive to its partners' needs and aspirations.

In 2010 the Global Island Partnership focused attention on the advancement of two broad themes:

- Ecosystem-based adaptation and mitigation with invasive species; and,
- Integrating conservation and sustainable livelihoods into development processes.

The Partnership supports participating countries and organizations that share in its mission by inspiring and recognizing commitments; strengthening implementation; mobilizing resources; promoting collaboration; increasing visibility and communications; and tracking progress.

Global Island Partnership - GLISPA

- 20 Parties to the Convention, major NGOs and multilateral organizations
- Mechanism to implement the POWIB (2008)
- Launch at COP 8 in 2006, Chaired by Presidents of Palau and Seychelles
- Global Coordinator hosted by IUCN Washington and Communications Manager hosted by PCI-Media Impact New York
- Commitments of over USD 100 million projects (Micronesia and Caribbean Challenges, Coral Triangle Initiative, Global Islands Database, SeaLevel Rise Foundation, Western Indian Ocean Coastal Challenge and national commitments from Ecuador, Croatia, Kiribati and so on)
- High-level island events at COPs 8, 9 and 10, Summit at COP 11, side events, Rio Conventions Ecosystem Pavilion, high level events at UNGA
- Website: <http://www.cbd.int/island/glispa.shtml>



Steering Committee: Seychelles, Palau, Grenada, Italy, TNC, GEF Secretariat, Micronesia Challenge, Caribbean Challenge, CBD Secretariat, Island Conservation, Media Impact, IUCN, UNEP WCMC



Helping Islands Adapt, NZ, April 2010



Objectives of the Indepth Review

- Overview of global status and trends on island biodiversity
- Progress in achieving goals and targets of the PoWIB (reflects CBD 2011-2020 Strategic Plan) - groundbreaking national and regional achievements
- Identify challenges and barriers to be overcome, priorities for capacity-building
- Facilitate new commitments and projects
- Review, update and (possibly) expand the programme of work

Results/Output of IDR

- 16-page pre-session paper (Ana Tiraa and Jacqueline Evans, contributions and 4NRs)
- Publication/newsletter providing an assessment of biodiversity status and trends on islands
- Mobilization for new projects/activities: preparatory meetings/workshops (Web consultation, Caribbean, Pacific NBSAP review workshops, Brussels meeting, side events SBSTTA 16, Rio Conventions Ecosystem Pavilion, Rio + 20 message on blue economy testing ground, island Summit at COP 11)

Results to Date

- **Voluntary reports**

- ★ Antigua and Barbuda
- Ascension Island
- Australia
- Cayman Islands, UK
- Colombia
- France (overseas territories)
- Islands of Metropolitan France
- France summary report
- Guernsey, UK
- Italy
- Jersey, UK
- Mexico
- ★ Micronesia
- New Zealand: The Island Strategy
- New Zealand: Proceedings of the Helping Islands Adapt workshop
- Peru
- ★ St. Lucia
- ★ Samoa
- UK islands
- UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS), Island Conservation, Media Impact, Rare, RSPB – UK, Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)

- 4NRs reviewed
- Workshop results
- Consultants hired
- Pacific voluntary committee to support process
- EU Islands, Pacific Consultations, IUCN regional fora

Global activities to support the POWIB

- Side events on islands at the two SBSTTAs before COP 11
- Island Summit at COP 11 (1 day high level during high level segment)
- Link to Rio+20 on islands and the green economy (Led by TNC +)
- Updated Global Island Database (led by UNEP-WCMC/Italy)
- Global campaign to stop extinctions in islands (led by IC)
- Etc.

How to engage

- 1 Substantively
 - Engage in peer review
 - Fill in questionnaire
 - Engage in SBSTTA and COP 11
 - Electronic forum
 - For recommendations:
 - Opportunity to contribute to drafting these is now and in peer review process
 - Opportunity to adjust these will be at SBSTTA
- 2. Attention on islands
 - Work and plan together with other islands
 - Support Island Summit at COP 11
 - Highlight successes
 - Propose ideas for 2012+
 - Link to leveraging resources.

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