

# **THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA**



## **BRIEF REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF COLLABORATIVE ACTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN TANZANIA**

## **OVERVIEW AND PROJECT PROGRESS TO-DATE**

Tanzania is one of the member countries implementing COAST Project. As agreed earlier, the project is implemented in three Demo sites i. e Bagamoyo, Mafia and Kinondoni to capture Best Available Practices and Technologies (BAPs and BATs) for contaminant reduction and sustainable tourism investments focusing on Environmental management Systems (EMS), Eco-tourism investments and Reef and Marine recreation, management and monitoring. As you are aware that Tanzania received its funds late for the implementation of the project, up to now we have not yet started to absorb the project funds in implementing the activities, however we are in the implementation arrangements by procuring necessary project articles followed by formulation of Demo site Project committees and launching of the project to the respective Demo sites. Despite that the following activities have been done since inception of the Project.

### **Development and agreement the Contract between Vice-Presidents Office and UNIDO 20<sup>th</sup> August 2010**

- The contract No.16002129 was signed between United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and The Vice Presidents Office- Environment (VPO) for the implementation of UNIDO Project No GP/RAF/08/001.

## **Training need Analysis**

- Training needs analysis conducted on 19 – 25, April 2010. This training requirement is focused on the need for training and the potential training requirements associated with the implementation of the project.

## **Recruitment of a Project Demo-Coordinator**

- Mr Daniel Nkondola was recruited as a demo coordinator, before the arrival of funds he left for studies in Europe, then the office appointed Mr Thomas J. Chali to take the responsibilities of Mr Nkondola as a Demo-coordinator.

## **Visit of Dr. Hugh Gibbon and Kati Tahvonen to Vice-Presidents Office Environment**

- Hugh Gibbon and Kati Tahvonen visited The Vice Presidents Office to meet the New Director of Environment and the New Demo Project Coordinator. The purpose of the visit was to enhance better understanding and communication between the Regional Coordinating Unit (RCU) and The VPO-Environment moreover to give an overview of the plan for overcoming the delay of the project implementation and plan for progressing the GIS/mapping work in Tanzania.

## **ST-EP Training in Watamu Demo site**

- On 29<sup>th</sup> November - 2<sup>nd</sup> December the new Demo coordinator attended the eco-tourism training in Watamu Demo site, Mombasa, Kenya. The training was co-facilitated by UNIDO and UNWTO to assist the COAST Project to develop sound eco-tourism plans to alleviate poverty and improve biodiversity conservation.

## **Arrival of Project funds**

- On 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2011. The VPO confirmed the arrival of the first funds from UNIDO into its account **Streng Cap. On Climate Change/ 01j1030448500** and UNIDO was notified. According to information from UNIDO, the funds were disbursed in the account from mid November 2010 but due to unavoidable circumstances The VPO couldn't access them at that time until when UNIDO sent to as a swift copy for international money transfer.

## **THE WAY FORWARD AND IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS**

As Tanzania has already secured the first funds from UNIDO we are looking forward to start conveniently and effectively implementing the project as per work plan, it is our hope that the forthcoming funds will reach us timely so as to pace the project activities together with other member countries.

## **Regional Project Coordination office:**

Observations and Comments:

- 1) Thank you for the above report. Please use the COAST reporting format in order to finalise this report
- 2) Please indicate the full details of the Demo Site Management Committee members and their roles in your report
- 3) Please attach an action plan for the next phase of implementation for 2011.
- 4) Please use the COAST Project expenditure template for reporting all expenditure, and whenever you submit a request for additional funds.
- 5) What is the current level of expenditure at each of the three sites within the Demo project?
- 6) Please make sure that the Lead Focal Point signs off this report as UNIDO will not accept it without this signature.
- 7) Please refer to the recently sent report guidelines to assist you to complete this work



Hugh Gibbon

28/2/2011

