

Journey of SusGren

<p>PHASE 1 2002-2004 Identify stakeholders Develop a framework for implementation</p>
<p>PHASE 2 2004 – 2010 Capacity building to engage in governance Promote co-management systems Work with local NGOs develop, seek funding and implement projects Promote networking and linkages, especially transboundary</p>
<p>PHASE 3 2010 and Beyond Transition into a permanent transboundary Grenadines NGO Provide continued support to Civil Society of the Grenadines Work towards establishing the Grenadines as a World Heritage Site</p>

Phase I PARTICIPATORY STRATEGIC PLANNING

Achievements Phase 2 (2004 - 2009)

Core Activities	Purpose	Achievement
Institutional Self Assessments	Strategic development of NGOs - Training Need Analysis	Completed for 14 NGOs
Training Workshops	Leadership Communication Planning Management	9 training workshops approximately 350 participants
Sector Planning Workshops – (catalyst for associated projects)	Water taxi operators, Green schools, Green Hotels World Heritage Site, Fisher folk organisation	6 workshops with over 260 participants
Mini-projects	Project management and implementation	6 mini-projects in 5 Grenadine Islands
Attachments/Exchanges	Learning by doing	16 persons from 9 NGOs

Communications and Networking

To build the capacity to interact for information exchange and problem solving:

- Quarterly newsletters
- Active E-group with 230 persons
- Reports and publications on project website
- Promotions on radio, TV newspapers, magazines
- Celebration of international environmental days

International Environmental Days Celebration

World Wetlands Days
International Coastal Cleanup Day
Earth Day

Empowerment through information

Marine Space Use Information System (MarSIS)

- Funded by CERMES and TLF
- Empower stakeholders to engage in planning space use planning in the Grenadines
- Creation of Grenadine island maps inventory of various marine resource users

Grenadines bibliography

- Annotated Bibliography on the Grenadines in booklet and CD form

Associated projects


Livelihoods - Water Taxi Operators

- Funded by GEF/SGF, EU, and CI
- 362 persons trained in green boat operations environmental stewardship and safety at sea
- Two water taxi associations were provided with office space and equipment



Livelihoods - Seamos Farming

- Funded by National Marine Sanctuary Foundation
- Implemented by Young Help Striders 4-H Club (Ashton, Union Island)
- Over 500 pounds of dry seamos has been accumulated for sale
- Established a new farm in Carriacou




People and Corals Project

Funded by National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and UNEP

-18 schools received 25 copies of the 'People and Corals' workbook

-24 teachers from across the Grenadines and the main islands were trained



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Comanagement in establishment/operation of two MPAs

1. Tobago Cays Marine Park
2. Sandy Island Oyster Bed Marine Protected Area



Current Projects:

1. Strengthening Reef Management on the Grenada Bank

Grenadines Network of MPAs Established



2. Grenadines Multi-use Spatial Plan

Goal: Develop a zoning design that can balance both traditional and future (transportation, fishing, tourism, recreation, industry etc. while ensuring the protection and restoration of fish stocks, coral reefs, beaches, and other valuable natural resources



3. Ashton Lagoon Restoration Project

Seeks to enhance wildlife habitat potential for birds, fishes, and other marine organisms through:

- 1) the restoration of hydrology and tidal flushing
- 2) development of sustainable local tourism and livelihood opportunities to improve collaboration between Grenadines fisher folk



4. Marine Litter Manager Project

Aim at taking action to reduce litter entering the marine environment and raise awareness of the many marine litter issues through brochures, posters, signage and educational programmes



5. Strengthening Fisher Folk Collaboration

Goals: Improve collaboration between Grenadines fisher folk; update information on shared fisheries issues and establish a network of fisher folk organisation.



6. Seamos Capacity Building and Environmental Monitoring

Established a seamos co-operative; working on improving the shelf life of seamos and environmental sustainability factors of growing seamos



Conclusion

- Targeted capacity development for civil society provides a foundation for good regional governance
- Long process which has only just started in the Grenadines involving:
 - Finding the interested actors
 - Providing support needed for learning how to become informed and effective so as to engage in governance
 - Stepping back to allow actors to try new skills independently
 - Standing by to provide additional support until no longer needed

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