

# Darwin Initiative: Half Year Report

(due 31 October 2011)

<b>Project Ref No</b>	18-003
<b>Project Title</b>	Supporting Indigenous and local organisations to implement CBD Article 10 (c)
<b>Country(ies)</b>	Bangladesh, Guyana, Indonesia, Panama, Suriname, Thailand
<b>UK Organisation</b>	Forest Peoples Programme
<b>Collaborator(s)</b>	Unnayan Onneshan (UO), South Central People development Association (SCPDA), Institut Dayakology, Fundacion para la Promocion del Conocimiento Indigena (FPCI), Stichting VIDS / Organisation of Kalina and Lokono Peoples in Marowijne (KLIM), Inter Mountain Peoples Education and Culture in Thailand Association
<b>Project Leader</b>	<i>Dr. Maurizio Farhan Ferrari</i>
<b>Report date</b>	31.10.11
<b>Report No. (HYR 1/2/3/4)</b>	<i>HYR 2</i>
<b>Project website</b>	<i>n/a</i>

**1. Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – September) against the agreed baseline timetable for the project (if your project has started less than 6 months ago, please report on the period since start up).**

See attached.

**2. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments that the project has encountered over the last 6 months. Explain what impact these could have on the project and whether the changes will affect the budget and timetable of project activities.**

At the year-end stage in April it was realised that work in Cameroon was not being done directly as part of this project. The funds for that country were used across the other country budget lines.

**Have any of these issues been discussed with LTS International and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?**

Yes

**Discussed with LTS:** yes, in May 2011

**Formal change request submitted:** yes, in May 2011

**Received confirmation of change acceptance** yes in June 2011

**3. Do you expect to have any significant (eg more than £5,000) underspend in your budget for this year?**

No

**If yes, and you wish to request a carryforward of funds, this should be done as soon as possible. It would help Defra manage Darwin funds more efficiently if you could give an indication of how much you expect this request might be for.**

**Estimated carryforward request: £ N/A**

**4. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to Darwin's management, monitoring, or financial procedures?**

No. However after the audit of the figures in August and September we realise that in order to produce a report at the end of the project in March 2013, which has to be audited, we will in fact ensure that our funds are all spent by 31 December 2012. This is for two reasons: 1) it is Forest Peoples Programme's own year-end and the separate audit can be done while the organisation audit is being done (our papers go to our auditors rather than them coming to us) and 2) the whole project that this valuable grant feeds into is reported on annually with the other funders, at 31 December, and so all the reports will tie into this date. Our partner countries report at 30 June and 31 December and gear their work accordingly. It will create a false picture if we try to produce a report at 31 March 2013.

**If you were asked to provide a response to this year's annual report review with your next half year report, please attach your response to this document.**

**Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan or budget should not be discussed in this report but raised with LTS International directly.**

Please send your **completed form by email** to Eilidh Young at [Darwin-Projects@ltsi.co.uk](mailto:Darwin-Projects@ltsi.co.uk). The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message eg Subject: 17-075 Darwin Half Year Report**