



**Darwin Initiative Main/Post/D+ Project
Half Year Report
(due 31st October 2018)**

Project reference	25 - 015
Project title	Why Eat Wild Meat?
Country(ies)/territory(ies)	Cameroon
Lead organisation	IIED
Partner(s)	University of Oxford, Living Earth, Fondation Camerounaise de Terre Vivante (FCTV)
Project leader	Dilys Roe
Report date and number (e.g., HYR3)	October 2018; HYR1
Project website/blog/social media etc.	https://www.iied.org/why-eat-wild-meat

1. Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – Sept) 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 to end September).

This project did not officially start until July 2018 so this first half year report represents 3 months of activities only.

We held a project planning meeting for the UK-based team members in August, where we reviewed the logframe, the activity plan and the budget and confirmed key tasks for each member of the project team. We also reviewed the project plans against IIED's ethics review process and, because we will be including marginalised indigenous groups in our survey work, slightly modified our work plan to enable us to be able to interview them separately from the dominant Bantu groups. Based on this minor change we confirmed ethical clearance from IIED.

We produced a project flyer (<http://pubs.iied.org/17485IIED/>) to publicise the project both in the UK and in Cameroon. Mama Mouamfon, our Cameroon partner from FCTV was able to distribute this at a meeting of the Dja Actors Forum – a key conservation network in Cameroon – in September.

We also produced a project website (<https://www.iied.org/why-eat-wild-meat>) which we will use to disseminate updates about the project as well as key project outputs.

We held a second informal project meeting in October, capitalising on Mama Mouamfon being in the UK for the London Conference on Illegal Wildlife Trade. We used the opportunity to discuss plans for a launch event for the project in Cameroon and are currently discussing with the British High Commission the possibility of them hosting it on our behalf.

2a. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments/lessons learnt 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.

Nothing to add here

2b. Have any of these issues been discussed with LTS International and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?

Discussed with LTS: Yes/No

Formal change request submitted: Yes/No

Received confirmation of change acceptance Yes/No

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

Yes No Estimated underspend: £

3b. If yes, then you need to consider your project budget needs carefully. Please remember that any funds agreed for this financial year are only available to the project in this financial year.

If you anticipate a significant underspend because of justifiable changes within the project, please submit a rebudget Change Request as soon as possible. There is no guarantee that Defra will agree a rebudget so please ensure you have enough time to make appropriate changes if necessary.

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

No issues to raise at this point

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. Additionally, if you were funded under R24 and asked to provide further information by your first half year report, please attach your response as a separate document.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan can be discussed in this report but **should also be raised with LTS International through a Change Request.**

Please send your **completed report by email** to Eilidh Young at Darwin-Projects@ltsi.co.uk. The report should be between 2-3 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message e.g. Subject: 22-035 Darwin Half Year Report**