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Submit by 21 January 2005

DARWIN INITIATIVE: APPLICATION FOR POST-PROJECT FUNDING 2005

Please read the Guidance Notes before completing this form. Give a full answer to each section; applications will be considered on the basis of information submitted on this form and on the merit of your current / recently completed Darwin Initiative project. The space provided indicates the level of detail required. Please do not reduce the font size below 11pt or alter the paragraph spacing. Please note the additional information requirements (CVs and letters of support as detailed in the Guidance for Applicants). Application is by invitation only.

1. Name and address of UK organisation

THE DURRELL INSTITUTE OF CONSERVATION AND ECOLOGY (DICE), UNIVERSITY OF KENT,
CANTERBURY, KENT, CT2 7NS

2. Post-Project details

Project Title: Flying the flagship: delivering the axolotl action plan at Xochimilco, Mexico

Proposed start date: 1 May 2005 **Duration of project:** 1 year 11 months

Darwin funding requested	Total	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
	£47,590	£29,285	£18,305	£	£

3. Original Project Title and Defra reference number (162/11/018)

AZTECS AND AXOLOTLs: INTEGRATING CONSERVATION AND TOURISM AT XOCHIMILCO, MEXICO

4. Principals in project. Please provide a one page CV for each of these named individuals where different from the original project. Letters of support must also be provided from the host country partner(s) endorsing the partnership and value of the Post-Project funding.

Details	Project leader	Other main UK personnel (working more than 50% of their time on project)	Main project partner or co-ordinator in host country (Two joint partners)
Surname	Griffiths		Melendez Herrera ¹ Zambrano ²
Forename(s)	Richard Alun		Alejandro ¹ Luis ²
Post held	Reader in Biological Conservation		Associate Professor ¹ Associate Professor ²
Institution (if different to above)			UAM-X ¹ UNAM ²
Department	The Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (DICE)		Laboratorio del Fauna y Flora ¹ Instituto de Biología ²
Telephone			
Fax			
Email			

5. Define the purpose (main objective) of the Post-project in line with the logical framework. How is it linked to the objectives of the original Darwin project?

The original Darwin project will conclude with the production of an Axolotl Species and Habitat Action Plan based on the project's findings. The post-project will be concerned with the delivery of this S/HAP.

6. What have been the main outcomes (achievements) of the original project to date?

- (1) Cadre of students and conservation workers trained in (i) amphibian biology and conservation and (ii) conservation education assessment and community appraisal;
- (2) Cadre of boatmen trained in nature guiding;
- (3) Cadre of artisans trained in eco-regional souvenir production;
- (4) UAM staff member trained to MSc level in Tourism and Conservation;
- (5) Production of Axolotl Species and Habitat Action Plan (due March 2005);
- (6) Establishment of a partnership of key organisations and stakeholders – the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco (*Grupo por la Investigacione del la Ajolote y Xochimilco* or GIAX) – poised to initiate the S/HAP.

7. What steps have been taken to ensure that project purpose and outputs will be achieved within the original project term?

Within the original project framework and budget, designated means of verification are being met within the project timeframe.

All activities have taken place on schedule (or ahead of schedule) and project partners have completed questionnaires providing feedback on how well the project has met its targets (data currently under analysis).

8. Please list the overseas partner organisation(s) that will be involved in the Post-project and explain their role and responsibilities in this work and in the original project (if applicable).

The overseas partner organisations have been brought together under the umbrella of the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco – GIAX – (co-ordinated by Dr L. Zambrano, UNAM). Members comprise:

Instituto de Biologia, UNAM: *Biological research on addressing threats*

Laboratorio de Flora y Fauna/CIBAC, UAM-X (main partner in original project): *Remero training workshops*

Parque Ecologico de Xochimilco (PEX): *Local community and remero liaison*

Direccion General de Zoologicos de la Ciudad de Mexico (Directorate of Mexico City zoos): *Publicity, interpretation, and advice on axolotl maintenance*

Comision Nacional el Conocimiento y Uso de la Biodiversidad (CONABIO): *National and international legal protection and CBD issues*

9. Please provide written evidence of commitment and capability of overseas partner in achieving the purpose and outputs of this project. Are formal agreements in place for overseas partner responsibility in this project?

See attached letters of support from local and national governmental organisations and all members of the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco.

The MoU established with UAM-X for the original project will remain valid; UAM-X and UNAM already have a sufficient MoU in place, but a new agreement will be established with Dr L. Zambrano and UNAM (co-ordinator of the Axolotl Research Group) for this new project.

10. What other consultation or co-operation will take place or has taken place already with other stakeholders such as local communities. Please include any contact with the government of the host country if not already provided.

Local stakeholders and representatives of CONABIO (the government agency that participates in the Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity) participated in the S/HAP workshop held in December 2004. A meeting with the Director of Tourism for Xochimilco was also held at this time to confirm support for the nature guiding workshops (see supporting letters from CONABIO and Gobierno del Distrito Federal Direccion de Turismo).

11. Are you aware of any other individuals/organisations carrying out similar work? Are there completed or existing Darwin Initiative projects (other than your original project) which are relevant to your work? Please give details, explaining the similarities and differences. Show how the outputs and outcomes of your work will be additional to any similar work, and what attempts have been/will be made to co-operate with and learn lessons from such work for mutual benefits.

As all relevant organisations have been invited to participate within the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco: we are not aware of other organisations carrying out similar work.

12. How will the project assist the host country in its implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity? Please make references to the relevant article(s), of the CBD thematic programmes and/or cross-cutting themes (see Annex for list and worked example) and rank the relevance of the project to these by indicating percentages. Is any liaison proposed with the CBD national focal point in the host country? Further information about the CBD can be found on the Darwin website or CBD website.

Close liaison has been established with CONABIO, and this will be strengthened within the post project.

Relevant articles and themes that will be addressed in the post project are:

Article 5: Co-operation (5%);

Article 8, 8h, 8j: In-situ conservation, Alien Species, Traditional Knowledge (15%);

Article 12: Research and training (40%);

Article 13: Public education and awareness (10%);

Article 17: Exchange of information (10%);

Article 18: Technical and scientific-co-operation (10%);

Article 22: Relationship with other international conventions (10%);

Alien species, Biodiversity and Tourism, Indicators, Inland Waters Biodiversity, Protected Areas, Public Education and Awareness, Traditional Knowledge, Innovations and Practices.

13. How does the work meet a clearly identifiable biodiversity need or priority defined by the host country? Please indicate how this work will fit in with the National Biodiversity Strategies or Environmental Action Plans, if applicable.

As one of the top 12 countries in the world for biodiversity, Mexico created the Comisión Nacional para el Conocimiento y Uso de la Biodiversidad (CONABIO) in 1992. This organisation participates in the Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity. CONABIO has included Xochimilco in its list of 'Priority Hydrological Regions', under the categories AU ('Area in Use') and AA ('Threatened Area'). In addition Xochimilco was declared a 'Patrimony of Humanity' by UNESCO in 1988, and part of the system was declared a 'zone of ecological conservation' in 1992. The latter declaration encompasses sustainable development activities - including tourism - within Xochimilco. Lake Xochimilco was declared a RAMSAR site in February 2004. The axolotl - an amphibian species endemic to Xochimilco - is subject to special protection by the NOM-ECOL 059-94 and is included in CITES Appendix II. As there is no national Red List for Mexico, CONABIO are in the process of reviewing existing levels of protection afforded to the axolotl and its habitat with a view to providing effective and consistent protection within existing legal instruments. The post project will provide a mechanism to inform this process.

14. If relevant, please explain how the project work will contribute to sustainable livelihoods in the host country

The original project evaluation has indicated that the Darwin Initiative nature guide-training programme has increased the income of trained local boatmen by 10-30%. The original project exit strategy involved the transfer of this training package from DICE to UAM-X/CIBAC. The new exit strategy will involve the staged transfer of the training package from UAM-X/CIBAC to the guild of boatmen (remeros) under the direction of DICE. This remero group would thereafter deliver the training package independently using CIBAC facilities where appropriate.

The local government is currently considering a plan to remove exotic fish from Xochimilco. This may impinge on the livelihoods of the fisherman community, who rely on these fish as a source of income. Both the local government and the fishermen are therefore very interested in developing methods for farming/ranching of axolotls, and recovering the tradition of sustainable use. Linking these issues with the training and research programme will ensure that any proposed sustainable use of axolotls will be informed by the results of the project and that liaison will be maintained between the relevant stakeholders.

15. What will be the impact of the work and how will this be achieved? How will these help to strengthen the long-term impact and legacy of your original Darwin project? Please include details of how the results of the project will be disseminated and put into effect to achieve this impact.

The main impact will be the delivery of priority actions that emerged from the S/HAP workshop held in December 2004. The long-term impact and legacy of the original Darwin project will be strengthened by the provision of an appropriate infrastructure for such delivery.

The post project partnership includes organisations that are well equipped to disseminate results to stakeholders, decision-makers and the general public in both Mexico and Britain (e.g. CONABIO, Chapultepec Zoo, the British Embassy, Chester Zoo, IUCN/DAPTF). This dissemination network will therefore ensure that the scientific results will be appropriately targeted through newsletters, conferences and websites as well as the popular media and peer-reviewed literature.

16. Explain how gains from the Post-project work will be distinct and additional to those of the existing project. Show where possible how these gains require limited resources and could not be achieved without the funding.

- (1) Research to address threats to the axolotl and other endemic fauna of Xochimilco was not a major element of the original project as (i) local stakeholders (i.e. local boatmen, fishermen) were not yet engaged with the project; and (ii) different research groups were not collaborating. As these issues have now been addressed, co-ordinated biological research and survey work can now proceed effectively. The Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco now has the expertise to take this research programme forward but requires resources in the form of trained students and investigators to carry out the work.
- (2) The original project did not address issues relating to the legal protection of the axolotl and its habitat because (i) there were ongoing debates between stakeholders concerning what were the most appropriate measures to ensure effective protection; and (ii) a lack of information on the status and distribution of the species. Data that will emerge from the post project will provide a basis for informed review and reassessment by CONABIO of the status of the species within the national NOM-ECOL 059-94 listing, CITES Appendices, and IUCN Red List (currently 'vulnerable'). CONABIO will complete this review in 2007, but the resources allocated to (1) above will ensure that this process will be informed by sound data.
- (3) The original project exit strategy involved the transfer of the nature guide training package to UAM-X/CIBAC. The post project will develop capacity within the remero guild to deliver the training package itself. The staged transfer of the nature guide training package from UAM-X/CIBAC to the remero guild will therefore be a significant addition to the original project. The workshops that are needed to accomplish this staged transfer were not supported within the original project budget, and will require participation of both UK and Mexican team members.

17. How will the work leave a lasting legacy in the host country or region?

- (1) The axolotl and its habitat effectively protected under national and international legal instruments.
- (2) Sustainable nature guide training package owned and delivered by the remero guild.
- (3) Cadre of Mexican students and investigators engaged in ongoing research to neutralize threats to the axolotl and its habitat.
- (4) Institution of the axolotl as a flagship species for the conservation of Lake Xochimilco.
- (5) International recognition of the axolotl as the first amphibian to be adopted as a flagship species and the Darwin Initiative project as a model multidisciplinary species recovery programme.

18. Please provide a clear exit strategy and describe what steps have been taken to identify and address potential problems in achieving impact and legacy

- (1) Transfer of the nature guide training package to the guild of remeros;
- (2) Establishment of a constitution for the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco partnership so that it continues to carry out applied research that will involve and inform decision makers and other stakeholders. This will depend upon continued constructive collaboration between participating organisations. Clearly defined roles for each partner will be allocated by mutual consent at the outset to avoid subsequent misunderstandings.

19. How will the project be advertised as a Darwin project and in what ways would the Darwin name and logo be used?

The project would continue to be advertised as a Darwin project through the existing project website and its associated links, and via established publicity and interpretation avenues:

- (1) T-shirts, postcards, gift cards, souvenirs – all bearing the Darwin logo and raising further funds;
- (2) Displays and interpretation at Chester and Chapultepec Zoos, CIBAC and Parque Ecologico Xochimilco (PEX);
- (3) Articles in local and international newspapers and newsletters (e.g. Chester Zoo news, Froglog, BHS Newsletter, publications produced by Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco partners).

20. Will the Post-project include training and development? Please indicate who the trainees will be and criteria for selection indicating where they were involved in the original project. How many will be involved, and from which countries? How will you measure the effectiveness of the training and will those trained then be able to train others? Where appropriate give the length and dates (if known) of any training course. How will trainee outcomes be monitored after the end of the training?

The UAM-X investigator team (= 3 students) will continue to be involved with the post project. This team is needed because of the links they have established with the remero guild. They will receive further training in the design and delivery of participatory workshops (Workshop 1: 2 weeks) and will then act as trainers of the remeros (Workshop 2: 2 weeks). Assessment of the training will be carried out by DICE staff in Workshops 1 and 2 using a set of predetermined criteria.

4 x remeros will be selected by the investigator team on the basis of nature guiding performance assessments carried out during the original project. These will participate as assistants in Workshop 1, and will be trained as trainers by the investigator team (Workshop 2: 2 weeks). Assessment of the training will be carried out by the investigator team in Workshop 3 (2 weeks – delivered by the remeros) using a set of predetermined criteria.

20 x remeros selected for training by investigator team/remero trainers based on applicant potential. These will be trained as nature guides by DICE staff (Workshop 1), investigator team (Workshop 2) and remero trainers (Workshop 3). Assessment of the training will be carried out by the relevant trainer team at the end of each workshop using a set of predetermined criteria.

2 x students from UNAM will be selected after consultation between UNAM and DICE staff and trained in ecological methods by the Darwin Axolotl Research Group Fellow and UNAM/GIAX personnel (4 weeks). Assessment of the training will be based on research dissertations submitted as part of the UNAM BSc programme.

LOGICAL FRAMEWORK

21. Please enter the details of your project onto the matrix using the note at Annex 1 of the Guidance Note.

Project summary	Measurable indicators	Means of verification	Important assumptions
<p>Goal:</p> <p>To draw on expertise relevant to biodiversity from within the United Kingdom to work with local partners in countries rich in biodiversity but poor in resources to achieve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the conservation of biological diversity, • the sustainable use of its components, and • the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the utilisation of genetic resources 			
<p>Purpose</p> <p>Delivery of priority elements within the axolotl S/HAP that emerged from the original project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Research on impacts of threats completed; (2) Effective protection for the axolotl and its habitat under national and international legal instruments; (3) Transfer of ownership of nature guiding programme to remero guild. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Existence of scientific data on impacts of threats; (2) Confirmation by CONABIO that research emerging from the project is informing decision making; (3) Remeros running nature guiding programme independently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Continued collaboration within the Axolotl Research Group; (2) Continued support and communication between the Darwin project and CONABIO; (3) Continued support of the remero guild.
<p>Outputs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Scientific publications on impacts of threats; (2) Reformulated legislative instruments in place; (3) Remero nature guide training package. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Existence of scientific publications; (2) Existence of these instruments; (3) Existence of this training package. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Editors accept papers for publication; (2) Agreement between stakeholders on effective legislation; (3) Remeros participate in producing the package.
<p>Activities</p>	<p>Activity Milestones (Summary of Project Implementation Timetable)</p>		

Field and laboratory research on impacts of threats	<p>July 2005: Appointment of Darwin Initiative Axolotl Research Group Fellow (UNAM - under the supervision of Dr Zambrano);</p> <p>July 2005: Initiation of student training (n=2) in axolotl population assessment; spatial distribution and GIS methods; trophic ecology; interactions with alien species; fish eradication methods and/or impact of pollutants (UNAM, UAM-X, PEX with DICE input);</p> <p>December 2006: Submission of student dissertations (n=2) on axolotl population assessment; spatial distribution and GIS methods; trophic ecology; interactions with alien species; fish eradication methods and/or impact of pollutants (UNAM, UAM-X, PEX with DICE input).</p> <p>January 2007: Reporting of research to CONABIO to inform policy development process.</p>
Remero guide training workshops	<p>September 2005: 'Workshop 1: training the trainers' (9 days – DICE and Mexican project team);</p> <p>January 2006: 'Workshop 2: trainers in action' (9 days – DICE and Mexican project team);</p> <p>May 2006: 'Workshop 3: training transferred' (9 days – Mexican project team only).</p>
Axolotl Research Group seminars	<p>January 2006: First annual seminar (2 days - DICE staff, research group partners);</p> <p>January 2007: Second annual seminar (2 days - DICE staff, research group partners).</p>
Publicity material	<p>May 2005: Press release for new project;</p> <p>May 2006: Press release following transfer of workshop package to remeros and completion of initial research phase;</p>

22. Provide a project implementation timetable that shows the key milestones in project activities.

Project implementation timetable		
Date	Financial Year	Key milestones
May 2005 July 2005	Apr – Mar 2005/06	May 2005: Press releases for new project in Mexico and UK.
Sept 2005		July 2005: Appointment of Darwin Initiative Axolotl Research Group Fellow (UNAM - under the supervision of Dr Zambrano);
Jan 2006		July 2005: Initiation of student training (n=2) in axolotl population assessment; spatial distribution and GIS methods; trophic ecology; interactions with alien species; fish eradication methods and/or impact of pollutants (UNAM, UAM-X, PEX with DICE input);
May 2006		Sept 2005: 'Workshop 1: training the trainers' (9 days – DICE and Mexican project team);
Jan 2007		Jan 2006: 'Workshop 2: trainers in action' (9 days – DICE and Mexican project team);
	Apr – Mar 2006/07	Jan 2006: First Axolotl Research Group annual seminar (2 days - DICE staff, research group partners);
		May 2006: 'Workshop 3: first remero-run workshop' (9 days – Mexican project team only).
		May 2006: Press release following transfer of workshop package to remeros and completion of initial research phase;
		Jan 2007: Second Axolotl Research Group annual seminar (2 days - DICE staff, research group partners).
		Jan 2007: Reporting of research to CONABIO to inform policy development process.

23. Set out the project's measurable outputs using the separate list of output measures.

PROJECT OUTPUTS		
Year/Month	Standard output number (see standard output list)	Description (include numbers of people involved, publications produced, days/weeks etc.)
Sept 2005	4A	3 x UAM-X students trained in participatory workshop delivery and support; 1 x 2 week workshop (Workshop 1).
	4B	
Jan 2007	4A	2 x UNAM students trained in ecological methods as part of University dissertation project; 4 weeks per student.
	4B	
Jan 2006	6A	4 remeros trained as trainers; 2 x 2 week workshops (Workshops 1 + 2). 20 remeros trained as nature guides; 3 x 2 week workshops (Workshops 1-3).
	6B	
	6A	
	6B	
Sept 2005	7	1 x set of interpretation panels for each remero trainee;
May 2006	7	1 x information pack on fauna and flora of Xochimilco for each remero trainee;
Jan 2007	7	1 x nature guiding workshop package for remero trainers;
April 2007	8	14 weeks.
Jan 2007	11B	3 submitted by Axolotl Research Group
April 2007	14A	2 organised by Axolotl Research Group
	14B	4 by Mexican/UK partners
April 2007	15A	1 x end of project press release
May 2005	15B	1 x new project press release
May 2006	15B	1 x remero nature guiding package press release
April 2007	15C	1 x end of project press release
May 2005	15D	1 x new project press release
May 2006	15D	1 x remero nature guiding package press release
April 2007	20	£300 of scientific journals donated by British Herpetological Society to Mexican partners.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

24. Describe, referring to the Indicators in the Logical Framework, how the progress of the project will be monitored and evaluated, including towards delivery of its outputs and in terms of achieving its overall purpose. This should be during the lifetime of the project and at its conclusion. Please include information on how host country partners will be included in monitoring and evaluation.

- (1) The project infrastructure will comprise a Darwin Axolotl Research Group Fellow (Mexico) and Project Officer (UK) who will report to the project steering group (Drs Griffiths, Zambrano and Melendez). The project steering group will compile information on progress at six-monthly intervals in advance of the annual and half-yearly project report deadlines. A staged transfer of responsibilities from the UK to Mexico will ensure that the infrastructure for ongoing evaluation and monitoring will be in place at the conclusion of the project.
- (2) Progress of the project will be assessed at the two annual Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco seminars in January 2006 and 2007. Project partners will be required to provide feedback to the steering group on how well output targets have been met at these times.
- (3) Workshops will be evaluated using the standard feedback questionnaire developed for the original project.
- (4) At the conclusion of the project CONABIO will report back to the Axolotl Research Group of Xochimilco on how effective the project has been in achieving (1) *the project goal* - assisting Mexico in implementing the CBD; and (2) *the project purpose* – delivery of priority elements in the S/HAP.

FINANCIAL ASPECTS

25. Please state costs by financial year (April to March). Post-project funding will be provided for up to a maximum of 2 years. Use current prices - do not include any allowance for assumed future inflation. For programmes of less than 2 years' duration, enter 'nil' as appropriate for future years. Show Darwin funded items separately from those funded from other sources.

Please note that although four financial years are shown here, funding will only be awarded for a maximum period of two calendar years

Table A: Staff time. List each member of the team; their role in the project rate and the percentage of time each would spend on the project each year.

	2005/2006 %	2006/2007 %	2007/2008 %	2008/9 %
Dr R. A. Griffiths (Project Co-ordinator-UK)	10%	10%		
Dr I. G. Bride (Project Officer)	20%	10%		
Mrs J. England (Financial Management)	2%	2%		
Ms J. McKay (IUCN/DAPTF Int. Co-ordinator)	5%	2%		
Dr R. Wilkinson (Chester Zoo: Conservation)	3%	1%		
Mr K. Buley (Chester Zoo: Herpetologist)	3%	3%		
Ms M. Esson (Chester Zoo: Education/outreach)	3%	3%		
Mr A. Melendez (Project co-ordinator – UAM-X)	10%	5%		
Dr L. Zambrano (Project co-ordinator - UNAM/ Director Axolotl Research Group)	20%	20%		
Dr G. Parra-Olea (axolotl genetics, UNAM)	5%	0%		
Dr J. Chavez (Land use planning, UAM-X)	5%	0%		
Mr R. Sanchez (Herpetology, UAM-X)				
	100%	100%		
Mexican student stipends (UNAM n=4)	50%	50%		
Mexican student stipends (UAM-X n=3)	100%	100%		
Darwin Axolotl Research Group Fellow (Mexico)				

Table B: Salary costs. List the project team members and show their salary costs for the project, separating those costs to be funded by the Darwin Initiative from those to be funded from other sources.

Project team member	2005/2006		2006/2007		2007/2008		2008/2009	
	Darwin	Other	Darwin	Other	Darwin	Other	Darwin	Other
Dr R. A. Griffiths								
Dr I. G. Bride								
Mrs J. England								
Ms J. McKay								
Dr R. Wilkinson								
Mr K. Buley								
Ms M. Esson								
Mr A. Melendez								
Dr J. Chavez								
Mr R. Sanchez								
Dr L. Zambrano								
Dr G. Parra-Olea								
Mexican student stipends (UNAM n=2)								
Mexican student stipends (UAM-X n=3)								
Darwin Axolotl Research Group Fellow (Mexico)								
Total cost of salaries								

Table C. Total costs. Please separate Darwin funding from other funding sources for every budget line.

	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	TOTAL
Rents, rates, heating, lighting, cleaning,					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Office costs eg postage,					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Travel and subsistence					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Printing					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Conferences, seminars					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Capital items/ equipment (please break down)					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
Other costs (please specify and break down)					
• Darwin funding Financial auditing					
• other funding Interpretation/remero support (Chester Zoo)					
Salaries (from previous					
• Darwin funding					
• other funding					
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	50006	32027			
TOTAL COSTS FUNDED FROM OTHER SOURCES	20721	13722			
TOTAL DARWIN COSTS REQUESTED	29285	18305			

25. Please provide a written justification of why alternative funding is not available from within your own organisation or from other sources.

The University of Kent is not a funding organisation and constituent Departments and Institutes are expected to obtain direct costs for such projects from external sources.

26. Will matched funding be provided? Provide details of all other funding sources that will be put towards the costs of the project, including any income from other public bodies, private sponsorship, donations, trusts, fees or trading activity. Please include any additional funding the project will lever in to carry out additional work during or beyond the project lifetime. Indicate those funding sources that are confirmed.

Yes – as follows:

RARE Pride Campaign application to be submitted Jan 2005 in collaboration with PEX: (unconfirmed)

North of England Zoological Society: £5,000 to support remero interpretation panels, packages etc (confirmed). Up to £1000 to cover interpretation of DI project at Chester Zoo (confirmed), and possible additional funding to support Chester Zoo Staff visit(s) to Xochimilco if essential for project delivery.

British Herpetological Society: Scientific journals to support the project: £300 (confirmed)

Sales of gift cards and souvenirs from original project: £510 (confirmed)

27. Please give details of any further funding resources sought from the host country partner institution(s) or others for this project that are not already detailed above. This will include donations in kind and un-costed support eg accommodation.

Subsidised accommodation will be provided for British personnel by UAM-X.

28. What was the amount of funding for the original Darwin Project?

	Total Project Costs £
Amount of original Darwin Initiative project funding	£96,332
+ Funding/Income from other sources	£61,726
= Total original project cost	£158,058

FCO NOTIFICATION

Please check the box if you think that there are sensitivities that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office will need to be aware of should they want to publicise details of the Darwin Post-project and the resultant work in the UK or in the host country.

CERTIFICATION 2004/5

On behalf of the University of Kent (*delete as appropriate*)

I apply for a grant of £29,285 in respect of expenditure to be incurred in the financial year ending 31 March 2006 on the activities specified in the Logical Framework.

I certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the statements made by us in this application are true and the information provided is correct. I am aware that this application form will form the basis of the project schedule should this application be successful.

I enclose a copy of the CVs for project principals and letters of support.

Name (block capitals)	
Position in the organisation	

Signed

Date:

Please return this form by e-mail to ECTF at darwin-applications@ectf-ed.org.uk by **21 January 2005**. Please put the title of the proposed project into the subject line of the e-mail. As much of the supporting documentation as possible should be sent along with the e-mailed application. However, if you are e-mailing supporting documentation separately please include in the subject line an indication of the number of e-mails you are sending (eg whether the e-mail is 1 of 2, 2 of 3 etc). **In addition**, hard copies of all applications and supporting documents should be submitted to the Darwin Applications Management Unit, c/o ECTF, Pentlands Science Park, Bush Loan, Penicuik EH26 0PH **postmarked not later than 21 January 2005**.

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