

Darwin Initiative

Half Year Report (due 31 October each year)

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the increased number of reports expected in 2005, we will not be able to confirm receipt of reports but will contact you individually should any questions arise

Project Ref. No.	EIDP10
Project Title	Bat Conservation Madagascar
Country(ies)	Madagascar
UK Organisation	University of Aberdeen
Collaborator(s)	University of Antananarivo
Report date	19 October 2005
Report No. (HYR 1/2/3/4)	HYR 2
Project website	n/a

<p>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).</p> <p>Completed work during this period followed the timetable set-out in the last annual report. Bat conservation surveys were conducted at two sites in western Madagascar in April and July and at the eastern Zahamena-Ankeniheny rainforest corridor. Microchiropterans were radio-tracked at two sites in a study on forest dependency. Flying fox research and monitoring continued in the east where local partners participate in radio tracking bats at threatened roosts. Short studies were also conducted of seed dispersal and pollination by fruit bats in western Madagascar. A Darwin Assistant graduated with his DEA (MSc) and another conducted a 1-month study visit to Henry Doorly Zoo (US). Workshops were held in two locations to develop a pilot project for integrating bat conservation messages into primary schools. Madagasikara Voakajy's board of trustees (Conseil d'Administration) met in June. Additional funding levered: Disney Wildlife Foundation (\$21k), Conservation International (\$31k), Bat Conservation International (\$2.5k), AZA Conservation Endowment Fund (\$19k)</p>	
<p>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.</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	
<p>Have any of these issues been discussed with the Darwin Secretariat and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?</p>	
Discussed with the DI Secretariat:	no/yes, in..... (month/yr)
Changes to the project schedule/workplan:	no/yes, in.....(month/yr)

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

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 the Darwin Secretariat directly.

Please send your **completed form by 31 October each year per email** to Stefanie Halfmann, Darwin Initiative M&E Programme, stefanie.halfmann@ed.ac.uk . The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message.**