NBSAPs 2.0 Mainstreaming Biodiversity and Development Project:

Mainstreaming Experiences and Lessons Learned

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Benefits of being an NBSAP 2.0 project country

- Supplementary funding to the country in addition to the UNDP-GEF EA Project
- Help develop and assess New tools
- Part of the African Leadership group
- Networking and experience sharing with the other project countries
- Expert advice

Lessons learnt thus far

- Since the project started in 2012, we have been exposed to many tools to better assist us in mainstreaming biodiversity into other sectors back home
- The rapid diagnostic tool helped us to identify the works where we were already mainstreaming as well as those areas where more effort was needed
- Ten steps in mainstreaming biodiversity
- Learnt how to prepare our business case for biodiversity

Lessons learnt cont...

 Importance of integrating NBSAPs within National Development Plans

Mainstreaming in Seychelles

- Mainstreaming Biodiversity Project-has allowed us to start mainstreaming BD into specific sectors:
- 1.harmonisation of environment and land use planning legislations.
- 2. shared management of ecologically important areas with owner/operators of tourism establishments
- 3. Community based involvement- co-management system between the Seychelles Fishing Authority and the artisanal fishers
- Other ways of mainstreaming; (i)The NBSAP revision processused the Seychelles Sustainable Development Strategy (SSDS) as the main guidance for our new draft NSAP.
- (ii) creation of an NBSAP implementation unit(within the SSDS council- directly feeds backs to the National development plan to facilitate integration

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