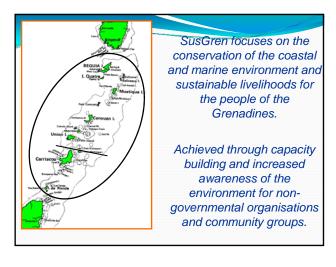
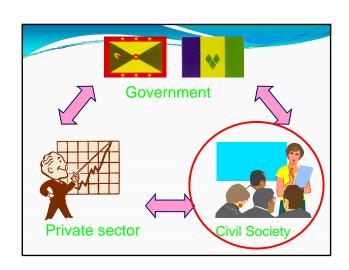


Background Information on the Grenadines

- The Grenada bank (about 1,500 km²) 50m deep
- Tourism and Fishing the main sources of employment
- Problems:
- Unplanned development and unregulated use of resources (overfishing, near shore habitat destruction and degradation, terrestrial deforestation and overgrazing, sedimentation, solid waste disposal from land and boat sources, sewage disposal from land and boat sources and recreational abuse of coral reefs)
- There is no integrated plan within which to pursue development and conservation
- Program of Works on Protect Area s(PAs) goals: Protect PAs: 10% by 2012 / Caribbean Challenge 20% by 2020.
- Systems Plan for Protected Areas has been recently developed in Grenada and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.





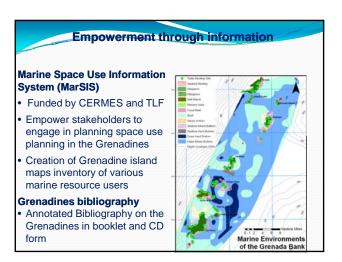




Core Activities	Purpose	Achievement
Institutional Self Assessments	Strategic development of NGOs - Training Need Analysis	Completed for 14 NGOs
Training Workshops	Leadership Communication Planning Management	9 training workshops approximately 350 participants
Sector Planning Workshops – (catalyst for associated projects)	Water taxi operators, Green schools, Green Hotels World Heritage Site, Fisher folk organisation	6 workshops with over 260 participants
Mini-projects	Project management and implementation	6 mini-projects in 5 Grenadine islands
Attachments/Exchanges	Learning by doing	16 persons from 9 NGOs







Associated projects Livelihoods - Water Taxi Operators

- Funded by GEF/SGF, EU, and CI
- 362 persons trained in green boat operations environmental stewardship and safety at sea
- Two water taxi associations were provided with office space and equipment



Livelihoods - Seamoss Farming

- Funded by National Marine Sanctuary Foundation
- Implemented by Young Help Striders 4-H Club (Ashton, Union Island)
- Over 500 pounds of dry seamoss has been accumulated for sale
- Established a new farm in Carriacou



People and Corals Project

Funded by National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and UNEP

-18 schools received 25 copies of the 'People and Corals'

-24 teachers from across the Grenadines and the main islands were trained

workbook



Comanagement in establishment/operation of two MPAs

- 1. Tobago Cays Marine Park
- 2. Sandy Island Oyster Bed Marine Protected Area





Current Projects:

1. Strengthening Reef Management on the Grenada Bank Grenadines Network of MPAs Established



2. Grenadines Multi-use Spatial Plan

Goal: Develop a zoning design that can balance both traditional and future (transportation, fishing, tourism, recreation, industry etc. while ensuring the protection and restoration of fish stocks, coral reefs, beaches, and other valuable natural resources



3. Ashton Lagoon Restoration Project

Seeks to enhance wildlife habitat potential for birds, fishes, and other marine organisms through:

- 1) the restoration of hydrology and tidal flushing
- 2) development of sustainable local tourism and livelihood opportunities to improve collaboration between Grenadines fisher folk





4. Marine Litter Manager Project

Aim at taking action to reduce litter entering the marine environment and raise awareness of the many marine litter issues through brochures, posters, signage and educational programmes





5. Strengthening Fisher Folk Collaboration

Goals: Improve collaboration between Grenadines fisher folk; update information on shared fisheries issues and establish a network of fisher folk organisation.





6. Seamoss Capacity Building and Environmental Monitoring

Established a seamoss co-operative; working on improving the shelf life of seamoss and environmental sustainability factors of growing seamoss





Conclusion

- Targeted capacity development for civil society provides a foundation for good regional governance
- Long process which has only just started in the Grenadines involving:
 - · Finding the interested actors
 - Providing support needed for learning how to become informed and effective so as to engage in governance
 - Stepping back to allow actors to try new skills independently
 - Standing by to provide additional support until no longer needed

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