

Influencing international policy processes: CITES and livelihoods

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Purpose

To provide a supportive framework within CITES to allow Parties to address the poverty implications of CITES listing decisions.

Methodology

Establish a *coalition* of support for the changes through extensive *consultation* with Parties and others, including an international *workshop*, over a period of *years*.

Outcomes

COP 13 (2004) Additional paragraph to Resolution Conf.8.3
COP 14 (2007) Decisions 14.3 & 14.4

Strengths

- Understanding of CITES
- Collaborative, inclusive process
- Clear conceptual foundation for the poverty-conservation linkage
- Long term commitment
- Good timing

Limitations

- Operating within a conservationist treaty
- Watch this space...

Organisation

Fauna & Flora International (barney.dickson@fauna-flora.org)
plus many others