TreeVelop Project and Processes
Project Fiche

Category	**:**	**Environment_and_Sustainable_Development**
Project Name	**:**	**Increased Biodiversity Protection and Coastal Conservation in Croatia's Kornati Archipelago**
Location	:	Croatia
Beneficiary	:	Kornati National Park Protection Authority and Nature Protection NGOs around the Kornati archipelag
Donor	:	Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Protection and Food Safety - BBI MATRA program
Period of Project	:	January 2007 - March 2008
Topic	:	Capacity building, institutional development, networking and multi-stakeholder cooperation supporting sustainable tourism development.
Part of TreeVelop (%)	:	8,5
Total Value (€)	:	109.886

Project Description

The projects' focus was at halting the loss of biodiversity in Croatia's coastal and island zones which are under heavy threat of (mass) tourism developments. Its immediate objective was to increase the capacity and strengthen the position of the protection authorities and biodiversity protection NGOs, as well as to raise the awareness of the public and visitors concerning the need to actively preserve the biodiversity in Croatia's Kornati archipelago. The project consisted of three components:

1. Capacity building of biodiversity and nature protection authorities and organisations, including the National Park and Important Landscape authorities, relevant civil servants at the local and regional authorities, as well as local NGOs;
2. Strengthening the position of biodiversity and nature protection authorities and NGOs;
3. Direct Action: Awareness raising, field verification of Posidonia oceanica (sea-grass), Caulerpa taxifolia and Caulerpa racemosa (invasive algae) and an annua solid waste clean-up campaign by divers' associations.

TreeVelop Part

On behalf of TreeVelop Ms. Duijvelaar has contributed to this project through the following:

• Preparation and implementation of a 2-day workshop on effective lobbying for biodiversity and nature protection and influencing local and regional policy-making for biodiversity needs in a multi-stakeholder approach;
• Evaluation of the impact of the clean-up campaign of hotspots in the Kornati Archipelago and the monitoring of invasive species;
• Assistance in the preparation of donor reporting,

Extra Remarks

Project Numbers	:	TVC021
Executor	:	CD