GROUP 2

Strategic Objective 2

Address the direct and underlying causes

Address the direct and underlying causes responsible for the decline or loss of biological and cultural diversity as well as ecological and socio-economic services from socio-ecological production landscapes and seascapes (SEPLS), so as to maintain those that are functioning well and/or rebuild, revitalize, or restore lost and/or degraded SEPLS.
1. Activities implemented for the Priority Actions

- Most of the Priority Actions are directly addressed, especially 2a and 2d (also 2c and 2e) by activities presented (China, Nepal, Ghana, Peru, Cuba, Kenya, Timor-Leste, Uganda).
- Actions on 2b are less addressed.
- Furthermore also crosscutting with Objective 3 (eg., product certification).
2. Possible activities to further promote Priority Actions

• 2a: The international meetings of IPSI are useful to find partnering organizations.
  – an ecosystem based clustering is important (as on the IPSI-website).
  – each IPSI-member should be encouraged to be part of a collaborative activity
  – Trainings within and by IPSI members for expertise exchange.
  – Creating thematic working groups (on, eg, sacred sites, mapping, capacity development, scientific research)
  – Clustering ecosystems for better collaboration and exchange of experiences would be useful.

• 2c: We should have more power to influence the international argument, combining Traditional Knowledge with modern science. For example in the IPBES.
  – Involvement in national and international fora, depending on the organization’s activity and focus.

• Awareness about IPSI-membership on different levels (eg. UNDP at local, national, international level...) and better definition of relationships among members: Partners or Collaborative activity.

• IPSI Plan of Action to be integrated into individual organization member action plans.

• Exchange of local product marketing strategies.
  – As first step, to bring products to the meetings. Organizing a display/ Market place for the products.
  – Development of collective trademarks (Certification as SO3c)
3. Suggestions on the Plan of Action

- Mechanism (Web-based information clearing-house) for information sharing between IPSI members would be needed.
- The face to face meetings are very useful.
- Increase the communication within the country and internationally.
- Better understand the meaning of SEPLS within IPSI members from different countries.
  - SC should have clear criteria for the membership
  - Communicating the vision of societies living in harmony with nature.
- Better inform IPSI-members of how to contribute to IPSI.
- Strengthen collaboration/coordination among members.
  - Need of support from IPSI Secretariat to further promote collaborative activities.
  - National coordinators/coordination is needed (eg., to implement national meeting once a year)? Or establishment of national partnerships? Depending on each country situation. In any case it is very important to share a clear vision of IPSI.