

Payment for Environmental Services in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD) in partnership with the Department of Sustainable Development of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the German Technical Cooperation Agency (GTZ), organized an event on Payment for Environmental Services in Latin America and the Caribbean held on August 18th 2009 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

This event meet national and international experts in the field to present and promote scientific research and lessons learned about the implementation of Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) schemes in the region, and draw attention to the value of this innovative economic instrument for conservation and sustainable development in Dominican Republic.

The objectives of this conference were to: • Introduce theoretical and practical aspects of PES as a tool for conservation and sustainable development; • Identify the critical issues, best practices and legal and institutional conditions necessary to develop and deploy systems for PES; • Analyze PES cases in-country in order to determine its effectiveness and potential for replication; • Present and distribute the new publication of the OAS, "Legal Frameworks for Payment for Environmental Services in Latin America and the Caribbean: Analysis of Eight Countries [Agenda](#) | [More...](#)