



**Department of
Sustainable Development
(DSD)**

**2007
*Operational
Report***

The Organization of American States (OAS) is the world's oldest regional organization, dating back to the First International Conference of American States, held in Washington, D.C., in 1889. The Charter of the OAS was signed in Bogotá in 1948. The OAS currently has 35 member States and has granted permanent observer status to over 48 states. The OAS is the region's premier forum for multilateral dialogue and concerted action, it brings together the countries of the Western Hemisphere to strengthen cooperation and advance common interests.

Through its Department of Sustainable Development (DSD), the General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) fulfills member States mandates by promoting the implementation of policies, technical cooperation projects and partnerships that translate sustainable development and environmental protection goals into concrete action. A key objective entails integrating environmental priorities set by OAS member States within mainstream development, poverty alleviation and good governance-related policies.

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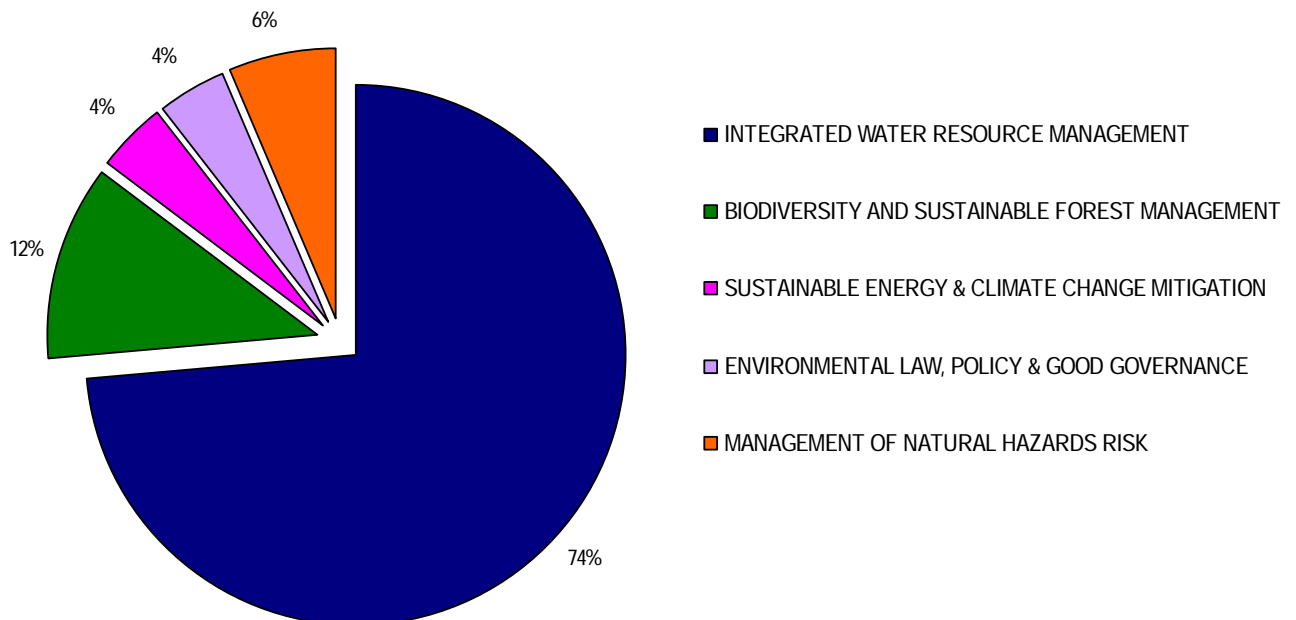
DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (DSD) 2007 OPERATIONAL REPORT

The **2007** DSD Multi-year Portfolio included 40 projects for a total grant amount of US\$60 million. These projects have life spans from three-months to six-years; currently the DSD has commitments in place through 2010. Of these, 34 projects are externally-funded; totaling approximately US\$59.2 million and 6 receive in-house funding, including from SEDI, Resolution 831, FEMCIDI and the OAS Peace Fund; totaling approx US\$800,000 dollars.

In **2007**, of the 40 ongoing projects, 12 represent new, successfully negotiated agreements totaling approximately US\$5.6 million. The DSD financial execution level for the period was at US\$8.4 million, directed toward promoting the implementation of policies, technical cooperation projects and partnerships that translate sustainable development and environmental protection goals into concrete action.

The portfolio, in terms of thematic areas, has the following breakdown:

- Integrated Water Resource Management: 16 projects, totaling US\$44.20 million
- Biodiversity and Sustainable Forest Management: 5 projects, totaling US\$6.91 million
- Sustainable Energy and Climate Change Mitigation: 8 projects, totaling US\$2.63 million
- Management of Natural Hazards Risk: 4 projects, totaling US\$3.79 million
- Environmental Law, Policy and Good Governance: 7 projects, totaling US\$2.47 million



In 2007, the Department continued to work with member states to advance the implementation of policies, programs and projects in sustainable development, in particular in the areas of environmental protection, environmental law, natural disaster risk reduction, energy efficiency and chemicals management. The Department continued to focus much of its efforts on building the capacity within OAS member states in various areas and aspects of sustainable development, holding over 100 events in 2007.

The Department promoted the principles of the Inter-American Democratic Charter by assisting member states in implementing policies and strategies that protect the environment and move forward sustainable development goals for the benefit of future generations (Article 15); and by promoting the full and equal participation of women as a fundamental element in the promotion and exercise of a democratic culture (Article 28). These principles were materialized through the following Hemispheric Networks and Programs:

- Inter-American Strategy for the Promotion of Public Participation in Decision-Making for Sustainable Development (ISP)
- The Renewable Energy in the Americas Initiative (REIA)
- The Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network (IABIN)
- Inter-American Forum on Environmental Law (FIDA)

The Department provided technical support to the President of the Permanent Council in hosting a Special Session of the Council that sought to identify opportunities for regional cooperation and to develop legal instruments in environmental cooperation.



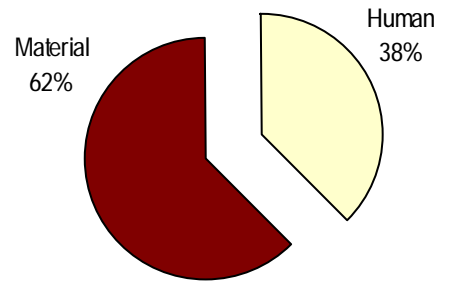
In 2007, the Department also supported preparations for the hosting of the 37th General Assembly in Panama which addressed energy cooperation and clean energy issues, including renewable energy and energy efficiency. In this regard, a special issue of the DSD Policy Series “Energy and Sustainable Development in the Americas” was published and distributed at the Assembly. In addition, the Department provided support to the OAS Department of Trade, Tourism, and Competitiveness in organizing a high-level private sector forum on Energy. As a follow-up to the June 2007 General Assembly, the Department expanded its technical cooperation with member states and international organizations in examining opportunities to promote agro-energy in the Hemisphere.

The Department continued to advance the design and implementation of the Inter-American Network on Disaster Mitigation. Technical support was provided through the Network for the hosting of the First Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction (IACNDR) held in Washington, D.C. in September of 2007. The meeting was chaired by the OAS Secretary General, and was attended by the President of the IDB, the Director of PAHO, the Secretary General of the PAIGH, the Executive Director of PADF, the Chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), the Executive Secretary of CIM, representatives from the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR), various international development agencies partners of the OAS, and OAS members states.

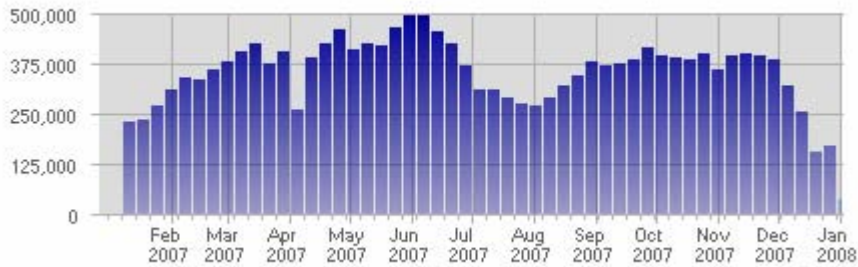
Sampling of 2007 Events

- Meeting of Ecosystem/Protected Areas/Informatics Experts
- Meeting of Environmental Law Advisory Group of the OAS/DSD
- Environmental Assessment & Capacity Building for Free Trade
- Amazon Protected Areas Forum
- OAS-IFRC Americas Forum - International Disaster Response
- Best Practices E-Forum of the Americas on Natural Disaster Mitigation
- First Workshop to update the Central American Plan for risk reduction on education
- Meeting of National Focal Points for Integrated Water Resource Management
- Seminar on Sustainable Soy Production - Paraguay
- Seminar - Economic Resilience of Small States
- Workshop - Chemicals Management in the Caribbean
- Workshop on Trade and environment for Central American Government Officials
- Seminar Innovations in Avian Influenza Preparedness
- Regional Preparatory Meeting - Amazon Water Basin
- INDM Cost-Benefit Analysis: Making a case to invest in Vulnerability Reduction
- Meeting on information tools for Protected Areas Managers
- Panel of Experts: What has been done to advance Payments for Ecological Services in the Americas
- Second Good Practices Virtual Forum on “Risks and Extreme Hydrological Events: Flood Early Warning and Resilience Capacity
- From Vulnerability to Resilience - Small Island States in Transition will be addressed on the second OAS Seminar Series on the Caribbean
- Regional Workshop: Sound Management of Chemical Substances

2007 MILESTONES



- recorded expenditures in excess of **US\$8.3 million** dollars
- launched the **DSD Pilot Carbon Offset Initiative**, in collaboration with the Secretariat for Administration and Finance, through the Office of Procurement, compensating for emissions produced as a result of DSD official travels. Carbon Offset Amount 3rd Quarter 2007: 100 tons of CO₂
- experienced a 50% increase in the number of hits recorded by DSD Website, going from 270,000 recorded in June of 2006 to 500,000 during the same period in 2007



- Published: two editions of the DSD Policy Series: #11 – New Opportunities for Sustainable Energy in Response to Climate Change and #12 – Adapting to Climate Change: Challenges in Freshwater Management; and a Special Edition for the OAS General Assembly, Energy and Sustainable Development in the Americas, and a new edition of the Departmental Brochure, each with a distribution of approximately 2000.

New Opportunities for Sustainable Energy in Response to Climate Change

On a broader and more urgent occasion of the world's attention is the United States. In 2007, the United States is facing a significant challenge in the form of climate change. The United States is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and its actions will have a significant impact on the global climate. The United States is also a major consumer of energy, and its energy needs are growing rapidly. The United States is therefore in a unique position to lead the world in the development of sustainable energy sources. This policy series provides a comprehensive overview of the current energy situation in the United States, and offers a range of policy options for addressing the challenges of climate change and sustainable energy development. The series is intended for a wide range of stakeholders, including policymakers, industry leaders, and the general public. It is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the future of energy in the United States.

Energy for Sustainable Development in the Americas

The energy sector in the Americas is facing a number of challenges, including the need to meet growing demand for energy, the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and the need to ensure energy security. This policy series provides a comprehensive overview of the current energy situation in the Americas, and offers a range of policy options for addressing these challenges. The series is intended for a wide range of stakeholders, including policymakers, industry leaders, and the general public. It is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the future of energy in the Americas.

Country	Total Energy Demand (TWh/yr)
USA	100.0
Canada	20.0
Mexico	10.0
Central America	5.0
Caribbean	2.0
South America	15.0
Latin America and Caribbean Region	152.0

Source: OAS Energy Database

Adapting to Climate Change: Challenges to Freshwater Management

Climate change is a global challenge that affects all regions of the world. Freshwater is a vital resource for all life on Earth, and its availability is being threatened by climate change. This policy series provides a comprehensive overview of the current freshwater situation in the Americas, and offers a range of policy options for addressing the challenges of climate change and freshwater management. The series is intended for a wide range of stakeholders, including policymakers, industry leaders, and the general public. It is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the future of freshwater in the Americas.

Sustainable Development and Environmental Management – Organization of American States

The Organization of American States (OAS) is committed to promoting sustainable development and environmental management in the Americas. This policy series provides a comprehensive overview of the current situation in the Americas, and offers a range of policy options for addressing the challenges of sustainable development and environmental management. The series is intended for a wide range of stakeholders, including policymakers, industry leaders, and the general public. It is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the future of sustainable development and environmental management in the Americas.

FROM MANDATES TO ACTION

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2007 MILESTONES

- collaborated with the Secretariat for Administration and Finance, through the Office of General Services, in developing a comprehensive recycling program to make OAS Headquarters facilities more environmentally friendly and energy efficient.
- completed and released, in collaboration with UNESCO, the first hemispheric assessment that mapped almost 70 major transboundary aquifers located in North, Central and South America and the Caribbean region.
- successfully completed 11 projects:

Multi-year – Large to mid size projects	Under \$200,000.00
1. Suriname-Brazil Biocultural Conservation Project – Phase I	1. Advancing Good Governance and Hemispheric Policy Integration in Sustainable Fresh Water Management Project
2. Environmentally Sustainable Trade Project	2. Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP) Project – Phase I
3. Caribbean Hazard Mitigation Capacity Building Program	3. REEEP Forum Project
4. Program for the Development of the Satellite System and Earth Observation Applications (PROSAT) – Phase I	4. Global Sustainable Energy Islands Initiative (GSEII) Project
5. Renewable Energy in the Americas Initiative	5. Policy Analysis - Energy for OAS GA 2007 Project
	6. Advancing Good Governance and Hemispheric Policy Integration in Sustainable Fresh Water Management Project

- successfully negotiated 12 new projects – total combined funding \$5.6 million:

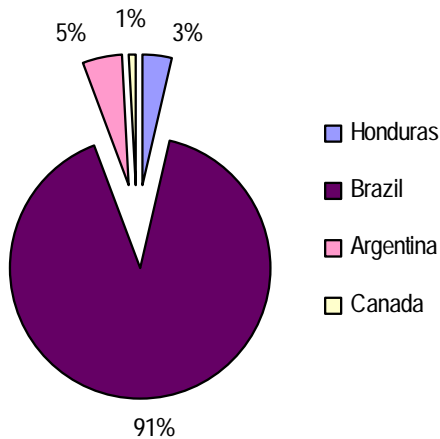
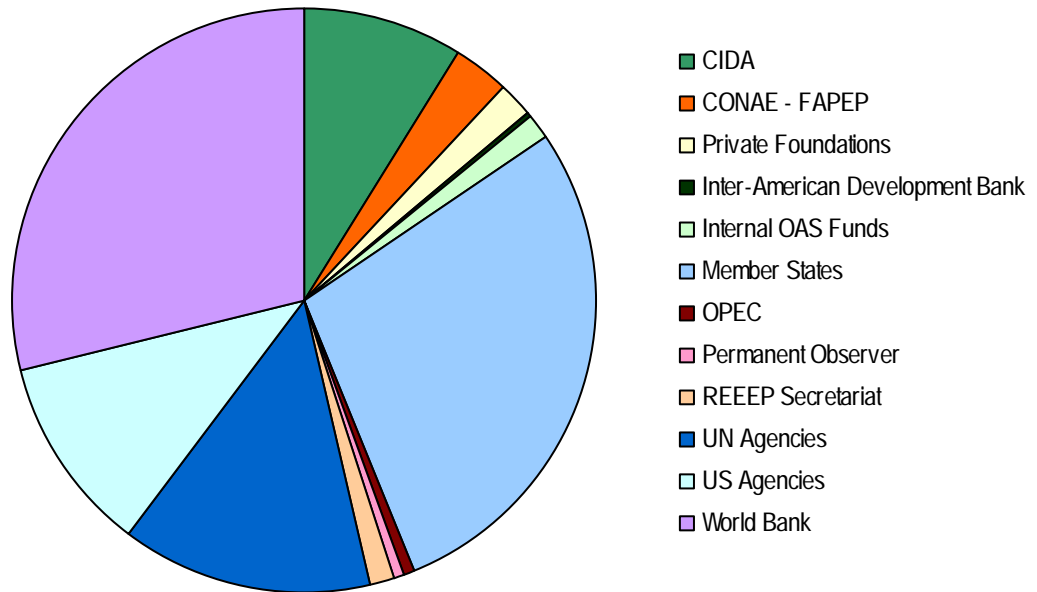
Multi-year – Large to mid-size projects	Under \$200,000.00
1. Support the establishment of Sustainable Bioenergy Programs and Projects	1. Creation of Inter-American Collaborative Network for Disaster Mitigation Project – Phase II
2. Program for the Development of the Satellite System and Earth Observation Applications (PROSAT) – Phase II	2. Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP) Project – Phase II
3. Monitoring Progress of the Environmental Cooperation Agenda in the DR-CAFTA countries	3. Suriname-Brazil Biocultural Conservation Project – Phase II
	4. WHMSI-Western Hemispheric Migratory Species Initiative – Phase II
	5. Sustainability Impact Assessment of the Soy Sector Project– Phase II
	6. School-based Telecenters in Rural Guatemala Project
	7. Policy Analysis - Energy for OAS GA 2007 Project
	8. Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network - Multi Lingual Search Engine Development Project
	9. Advancing Good Governance and Hemispheric Policy Integration in Sustainable Fresh Water Management Project

DSD 2007 DONOR PORTFOLIO

In **2007**, the DSD recorded revenue in excess **US\$10.7** million dollars:

- 30% from the World Bank
- 30% from Member States
- 14% from UN Agencies
- 11% from US Agencies
- 9% from CIDA - Canada
- 1% from in-house funding sources

2007 Revenue by Donor



The DSD received contributions from four OAS member states that generated a combined revenue in excess of US\$3,000,000.00.

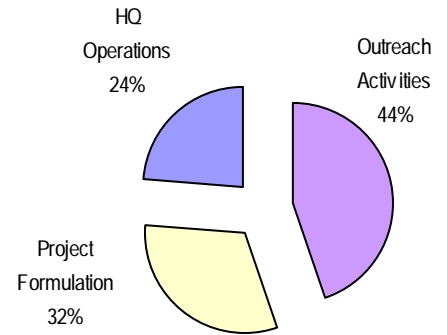
In addition, the DSD received contributions from two OAS Permanent Observer countries that generated a combined revenue of US\$83,600.00

- Government of the People's Republic of China – US\$22,000 in support of the Management of Natural Hazards Risk Program
- Austria – in the amount of US\$61,600 in support of Integrated Water Resource Management Program

ADMINISTRATION OF DIRECTOR’S OVERHEAD FUNDS

Collected \$95,000.00 in administrative fees and re-invested as follows:

- outreach activities¹: \$33,000.00
- project formulation² \$30,300.00
- operational costs³: \$ 8,700.00



ADMINISTRATION OF DSD REGULAR FUND

Received a regular fund budget (obj 2-9) of \$25,000.00 and re-invested as follows:

- outreach activities: \$10,000.00
- operational costs: \$15,000.00

The activities were directed toward achieving the below **2007 DEPARTMENTAL GOALS**:

2007 DSD OPERATIONAL GOALS
providing technical secretariat services to the Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction
preparing background documents for the political policy bodies of the OAS
preparing policy documents in priority areas of Sustainable Development
preparing technical documents for the implementation of sustainable development policy
secretariat and technical services to regional entities in the programmatic areas of the Department
program /project management
project formulation and fundraising activities
website administration
presentation of results and lessons learned in international or national fora
publication of papers/articles in academic and professional arena

OUTPUTS RESULTS
Hosted the First Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction (IACNDR) in Washington, D.C. in September of 2007
Prepared 16 background documents in the following thematic areas: Natural Hazards: 4; Environmental Law: 2; Sustainable Energy: 4 – Integrated Water Resource Management: 5; Biodiversity: 1
Prepared nine policy documents in the following thematic areas: Natural Hazards: 1; Environmental Law: 3; Sustainable Energy: 2 – Integrated Water Resource Management: 2; Biodiversity: 1
Prepared 17 technical documents in the following DSD areas: Natural Hazards: 1; Environmental Law: 1; Sustainable Energy: 5 – Integrated Water Resource Management: 8; Biodiversity: 2
Hosted the Meeting of National Focal Points on Water Resource Management (NFP-WRM) in August of 2008 - VI Inter-American Dialogue
Managed a Multi-year Portfolio of 40 projects for a total grant amount of US\$60 million; 34 externally-funded projects and 6 receiving in-house funding. Successfully completed 11 projects.
Negotiated 12 new projects – total combined funding US\$5.6 million and count with 9 project proposals in various stages in the negotiation process.
Experienced a 50% increase in the number of hits recorded by DSD Website, going from 270,000 in June of 2006 to 500,000 during the same period in 2007
Presented at over 100 events related to the following thematic areas: Natural Hazards: 22; Environmental Law: 21; Sustainable Energy: 18 – Water Resource Management: 27; Biodiversity: 16
Published three editions of the DSD Policy Series and a new edition of the Departmental Brochure. Externally published 2 papers in the area of Environmental Law: in the Journal of the International Center for Trade & Sustainable Development and in the UN Magazine, International Strategy for Disaster Reduction. Additionally, published an article on Renewable Energy in the Americas Magazine.

¹ Outreach costs include: document (design, editing, translating, printing), conference/meeting, travel and consulting services

² Project formulation costs include: travel, conference/meeting and consulting services

³ Operational costs include: common costs (telephone, lan/internet, photocopy, postage, courier), office supplies and computer equipment

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE

INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

(supporting member states' efforts to promote integrated and sustainable management of water resources, contributing to poverty alleviation through improved decision-making and community engagement in the management of transboundary water resources)

In 2007, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Council approved two new full-sized, multi-year projects to support the management of the wider Amazon basin (\$7 million dollars) and La Plata basin (\$11 million dollars). An important component in these initiatives entails assessing the impacts of climate change on the hydrological basins, as the first step towards climate adaptation geared to help communities, the hydro-electric generating sector and small scale farmers cope with the longer term impacts of climate change. Also in 2007, the GEF approved a multi-year project to continue the sustainable management of the San Francisco basin (\$1 million dollars), which counts with a counterpart contribution from the Government of Brazil of 2.9 million.

Integrated Water Management	
Bermejo Project	\$ 813,755.73
Golfo Honduras	\$ 111,041.00
SRH Project	\$ 716,190.83
Prodesam Project	\$ 41,357.50
Guarani Project	\$ 1,391,727.49
Amazon Project	\$ 289,162.49
Chaco Project	\$ 137,692.65
Rio Negro Project	\$ 49,945.47
CONAE Project	\$ 255,528.80
NFP-WRM	\$ 81,595.00
Total 2007 Execution	\$ 3,911,915.69

In August 2007, the Department convened the Meeting of National Focal Points on Water Resource Management (**NFP-WRM**) as a lead-up activity to the VI Dialogue on Water, with the support of a grant provided by the Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs of Austria. The meeting was very successful, in terms of representation, participation and proposed concrete areas of follow-up cooperation. In addition to highlighting specific areas of technical cooperation around climate change and public participation in the water management sector, the national focal points further recommended that the OAS convene a series of sub-regional meetings to advance a shared water agenda.

In 2007, the Department began closing activities related to two United Nations Environment Programme UNEP-funded preparation phase projects, the **Amazon** and the Gran **Chaco** Americano Project. The Amazon project yielded a project concept document that received UNEP approval in December of 2007 and will be presented to the GEF for funding in the amount US\$7 million dollars in March of 2008. The Chaco project yielded a project concept document that was presented to UNEP in December 2007; if approved, the concept document will also be presented to the GEF in March for funding in the amount of \$8-million dollars.

In addition, in 2007 the Department closed-out the Brazil-funded **PRODESAM** Project, started in 1999, completing the regional integrated water management plan for the Brazilian Amazon, Action Pro-Amazon Program, and also contributing to institutional capacity building through the strengthening of information management systems, including the development of a regional database and the modernizing the Amazonian Aquiculture Network System, and consolidating documentation prepared within the Strategic Action Pro-Amazon Program.

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

(supporting member states' efforts to promote the use of sustainable energy –including renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies and systems – contributing to poverty alleviation through the extension of modern energy services and enhanced energy security)

The Department operates the energy program of the GS/OAS targeting the increased sustainability of the sector. The core tenants of the program include the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies and systems, as well as increased energy sector cooperation and integration among countries of the region.

Sustainable Energy		
REIA Initiative	\$	120,028.40
GSEII Project	\$	23,907.46
Climate Institute	\$	15,633.03
REEEP Project	\$	185,421.91
US Biofuels Project	\$	71,306.71
Total 2007 Execution	\$	416,297.51

The program, known as the Renewable Energy in the Americas (REIA), provides member states with assistance in several areas including policy and regulatory reform, human and institutional capacity building, technical assistance and resource evaluation, knowledge management, and financing support. The program operates through global and regional partnerships, including the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP), where it serves as the Regional Secretariat for Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Global Village Energy Partnership (GVEP). Additionally the program executes multi-country and single country initiatives.

At the OAS General Assembly held in Panama in June 2007, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs in the region addressed the issue of Energy for Sustainable Development as a central theme. The Department assisted the member states in the preparation of the Declaration of Panama, provided technical support to all 21 meetings of the working group in charge of drafting the declaration in order to provide its technical support to the member states. A glossary of terms was prepared as a tool to assist the missions in their task. The Department also provided advice on possible topics to be contemplated in the declaration as well as in other resolutions on energy passed by the General Assembly.

Under the auspices of **REEEP**, in 2007 the Department worked on an initiative to promote the development of sustainable energy policies throughout Latin America. This initiative serves as a clearinghouse of best practices in sustainable energy policy and regulation. The Department provided direct support to countries in the development of policies and regulatory mechanisms. In March of 2007, a policy training workshop was developed to deliver policy and regulatory advice and training to multiple senior energy officials from the region. The objective of this workshop was to catalyze policy and legal reform. During the workshop pathways to affect the recommended reforms were analyzed.

As Regional Secretariat of REEEP, in September of 2007, the Department organized the REEEP Regional Preparatory Meeting in Rio de Janeiro. The objective of the meeting was to analyze the impact of current and past REEEP projects implemented in Latin America and the Caribbean region in order to review and update the program's regional priorities in financing, policy and regulation. The Department also conducted a consultation on approaches to the implementation of strategies to promote renewable energy. Energy sector stakeholders from Brazil and Latin America and the Caribbean region participated in this event. As of 2007 there are eight REEEP projects that are active in the region.

Since 1999 the Department, with core funding support from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), has implemented the **REIA initiative**. USAID provided more than one million dollars (approximately US\$100,000 per year) from 1999 through the end of this grant in October of 2007 for the management of REIA and the implementation of start-up project activities

In 2007, the Department was awarded a US\$1 million dollar grant to develop a regional program that encompasses feasibility, implementation and recommendation actions in OAS member states as part of the United States support to the Declaration of Panama, and the bilateral agreement on biofuels concluded between the United States and Brazil. The aim of the program is to recognize the potential of **biofuels** for diversifying the energy matrix of the Hemisphere. The regional program will support sustainable biofuels projects and programs in order to diversify the energy production mix of countries in the Western Hemisphere, as well as improve economic sustainability, competitiveness, and socio-economic conditions throughout the region.

In 2007 the Department was active in the Caribbean region. It partnered with the **Climate Institute**, the **GSEII**, the Energy and Security Group, and UNIDO to provide technical assistance and support to the governments of St. Lucia, Dominica, St. Kitts & Nevis, and Grenada in the development and implementation of sustainable energy plans. These plans outline strategies and actions which are conducive to the transformation of these three nations' energy matrixes from a fossil fuel base to a renewable energy base. Additionally, in Grenada a workshop on sustainable design was organized and an energy efficient lighting project is being implemented.

In October of 2007, the Department was awarded a US\$2 million dollars grant under the European Union Energy Initiative (EUEI) for the implementation of a project geared at increasing the sustainability of the energy sector in the Caribbean through improved governance and management. The project will be implemented in St. Lucia, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Antigua and Barbuda, and The Bahamas. Its actions will accelerate the transition toward cleaner, more sustainable energy use in the seven Caribbean nations.

MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL HAZARDS RISK

(supporting member states' efforts to reduce vulnerability to natural hazards, contributing to poverty alleviation through the development of vulnerability reduction plans and the inclusion of natural hazard mitigation goals in national development plans, strategies, and programs)

In 2007, in keeping with the mandates and directives that emerged from the Summit of the Americas and the General Assembly's resolutions, the Department developed a Programmatic Framework for Action in order to identify the regional priorities of member countries and to ensure that the OAS program remains demand driven.

Natural Hazards Risk Reduction	
Champ Project	\$ 26,634.63
Suriname-Brazil Project	\$ 30,172.00
INDM Project	\$ 372,399.92
White Helmets Initiative	\$ 259,855.62
ASFPM Project	\$ 4,170.30
Total 2007 Execution	\$ 700,471.67

The Programmatic Framework for Action seeks also to optimize existing financial and human resources, and facilitate the identification and implementation of partnerships with sister organizations of the Inter-American System and the UN System, as well as with bilateral and multilateral donors. Under this Framework for Action, the Department articulates the implementation of projects designed to help reduce vulnerability to natural hazards, while drawing practical experience to be adapted, transferred or replicated by means of "good" practices identification, sharing and exchange.

During 2007, the Department continued implementation of the **Inter-American Network for Disaster Mitigation (INDM)**, developing a Web portal and an on-line Dynamic Institutional Mapping Tool, as well as holding several Good Practices Forums on natural disaster mitigation specific topics. The Network membership continued to increase with the nomination of National Operational Focal Points and the participation of experts from, among others, the IDB, PAHO, and PADF. A Hemispheric Encounter on “Cost-Benefit Analysis: Making a case to invest in Vulnerability Reduction in the Americas” was held in Bogotá, Colombia, in December of 2007. The event, a direct response to the mandates emanated from AG/RES. 2314 (XXXVII O/07) and AG/RES 2184 (XXXVI-O/06,) gathered experts, and decision and policy-makers from all around the Hemisphere, and resulted in concrete recommendations for the use of financial instruments for increasing investments in vulnerability reduction, as well as insurance and re-insurance mechanisms for transferring residual risks.

In 2007, the Department concluded activities related to the five year US\$1.7 million dollar CIDA-funded **CHAMP Project**. CHAMP was instrumental in increasing the institutional and technical capacity within the Caribbean Region and addressing disaster mitigation related activities.

In 2007, the Department assisted the Office of the Secretary General in convening the First Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction (IACNDR) and provided technical support to the Committee on Hemispheric Security (CHS) the Office of the Assistant Secretary General and the Office of the Secretary General in matters related to institutional policy on natural disasters, by means of technical papers and reports, and support at meetings.

In addition, the Department, in partnership with the Trust for the Americas, prepared a Needs Assessment in the Andean Community, with particular attention to Bolivia, for the development of a “Program to Increase the Resilience of Local Communities.” Preliminary consultations were undertaken with national authorities of selected countries in the Region. Other initiatives include the Second Phase of the project “Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment in Central America and South America”, executed with support from International Federation of Red Cross Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the ProVenton Consortium.

In 2007, the Department began negotiations on two new project proposals: the project “Applying Information and Communication Technology for Disaster Mitigation in the Central American Isthmus”, an 18-month ICA/IDRC of Canada-funded project totaling US\$250,000.00; and the 24-month “Central America Small Valleys Flood Alert and Vulnerability Reduction Program (SVP): Regional Platform Development” project funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Germany, through the UN Global Platform for the Promotion of Early Warning (UN-GPPEW,) in the amount of US\$950,000.00.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, POLICY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

(supporting member states' efforts to develop and strengthen environmental law, contributing to good governance through institutional capacity building and improved decision-making)

The Department works at both the regional and hemispheric levels to strengthen economic, social, and environmental policies to ensure that they are mutually reinforcing and contribute to sustainable development. The Department contributed to capacity building related to environmental management amid the economic integration and liberalization of trade in the region.

Environmental Law, Policies & Economics	
Environmental Assessments	\$ 47,475.22
Sustainable Soy	\$ 49,768.60
DR-CAFTA	\$ 29,726.00
Trade & Environment	\$ 722,781.26
Total 2008 Execution	\$ 849,751.08

In 2007, as part of the activities of the CIDA-funded **Trade and Environment** in the Americas Initiative, the Department conducted analytical work on environmental provisions in trade agreements and maintained two

databases on environmental legislation in the region. A new database on supporting provisions of Payment for Ecological Services (PES) was established and the Department began analytical work on the governance, legal and regulatory conditions that enable PES systems that range from areas such as forest and water resource management to fiscal incentives, and property rights. Several ongoing PES programs including in Brazil, Mexico, Colombia, Costa Rica were highlighted during the experts seminar *"From mandates to actions: Advancing Payments for Ecological Services in the Americas"* held at OAS Headquarters.

Trends in PES programs in the region are being tracked by the Department through an on-line inventory and database. In 2007, the Department worked with member countries and regional organizations to assess gaps and institutional needs related to the national management of toxic and bio-accumulative substances. Additionally, the Department conducted various workshops and training courses on trade and environment and on the sound management of trade related chemicals. Over 250 government officials from Central America and the Andean region benefited from these capacity building efforts. This work contributes to the development of an agenda for cooperation that focuses primarily on the new challenges that the region faces as a result of the new economic and trade reforms.

In addition, the Trade and Environment in the Americas Initiative supports member states in meeting national and global obligations, and in adopting the principles of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM). In 2007, the Department launched a Regional Network formed by National Coordinators appointed by their corresponding governmental institutions. The Network will facilitate information gathering and exchanges among stakeholders. A key activity of the program is the creation in 2007 of a Persistent Toxic Substances (PTS) Online Database for the LAC region.

The Department conducted an analysis of emergency and natural disasters legislation in the Americas that was presented in the Americas Forum on International Disaster Response, Laws, Rules and Principles in April 2007 and later published by the UN International Disaster Reduction Strategy Magazine. In 2007 negotiations were initiated with the World Bank to secure US\$350,000.00 to support the Caribbean region in this area.

During 2007, the Department concluded a 6-year program which focused on developing national **environmental assessments** of free trade in 12 countries of the region that included Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Panama, Dominican Republic and Trinidad & Tobago. These assessments helped countries identify the potential impact to sustainable development of proposed trade agreements in the Americas.

In partnership with stakeholders from three MERCOSUR countries, the Department also worked toward assessing the impact of **soy** production on **sustainability** in this region. A publication on Regional Trade Agreements and Sustainable Land Management based on the Departments' work was issued by the International Institute for Trade and Sustainable Development. The Department's work in this area is intended to provide member states with capacity building and realistic policy options that make trade expansion more sustainable.

In 2007, the Department hosted two meetings of the DSD Senior Environmental Law Advisory Group, formed by 10 high level experts and academics of the hemisphere, to address Environmental Law and Enforcement in the Americas and provide input to the Agenda of an upcoming Focal Points Meeting of the Inter-American Forum on Environmental Law. In addition, the Department supported the Chair of the Permanent Council in conducting a Special Session on Opportunities for Cooperation in the Development of Legal and Institutional Frameworks for Addressing Environmental Challenges in the Region held in February of 2007. The results of

work in this area include concrete recommendations for regional action in the area of environmental law and governance considering increasing regional trade.

Lastly, the Department successfully negotiated a Cooperation Agreement of US\$350,000.00 with the US Department of State to support **DR-CAFTA** (United States, Costa Rica, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Dominican Republic) countries efforts in meeting long term environmental goals through cooperation. The Department will assist these countries in strengthening their institutions and promote environmental governance.

BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT

(supporting member states' efforts to promote sustainable use of biological diversity, empowering NGOs and local communities through capacity-building for informed decision-making, and leading to sound public policies in natural resource management)

The Biodiversity and Sustainable Forest Management Program seeks to alleviate poverty through improved access to decision-making data. Three projects serve as portals to link a growing governmental, scientific, and NGO community whose efforts contribute to progress toward the Summit of the Americas goals:

Biodiversity and Sustainable Forestry	
IABIN Project	\$798,889.24
AAPAD Project	\$167,797.11
LandNet Americas	\$14,461.25
WHMSI Project	\$14,527.80
Total 2008 Execution	\$995,675.40

- Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network (IABIN)
- Andes Amazon Protected Areas Database (AAPAD)
- LandNetAmericas

In 2007, the Department, with support from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, continued work with the eight member states that share the Amazon to design and structure the Andes-Amazon Protected Areas Database (**AAPADf**). Three workshops were undertaken in Brazil, Colombia and Ecuador with representatives from the corresponding National Parks Departments to develop quantitative indicators relative to protected areas management effectiveness which will serve to prioritize donor financing; to develop international standards and protocols that will allow the database to become interoperable across the countries, to allow for good practice, lessons learned, and improved decision making. In addition, the AAPAD expanded the on-line database and information system to 104 fields that give baseline and management effectiveness indicators about the protected areas of the 8 countries of the Andes – Amazon basin region.

The AAPAD database will serve as a prototype to promote a Western Hemisphere protected areas database in support of the Inter American Biodiversity Information Network (**IABIN**), a project supported by the Global Environment Facility. IABIN also promotes databases in the thematic networks of species, specimens, ecosystems, invasive species, and pollinators. In 2007, IABIN awarded 16 Data Content Creation grants (bringing the total to 26) to carry out multilingual training sessions on the use of data creation tools to enhance countries capacities to develop data for access within the IABIN network.

The Department is also working with the Secretariat of the RAMSAR Convention on Wetlands on a summary of sustainable financing concepts pertinent to HAW (Regional Strategy for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of High Andean Wetlands). Projects to be implemented pertain to sustainable financing e.g. payment for environmental services, debt for nature swaps, in-kind co-financing, economic valuation of environmental goods and services, and carbon sequestration certified offsets.

In addition, in July of 2007, the **WHMSI** Steering Committee meeting was held at OAS headquarters. The Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative is hemispheric project encompassing 35 nations that addresses the 1940 Convention on Nature Protection and Wildlife Preservation in the Western Hemisphere. The meeting counted with the participation of five OAS member states, four international conventions, and four NGOs. The Committee worked on the design of a 3-year, US\$1.8 million dollar project to build upon existing WHMSI and other migratory species efforts. The proposed project will significantly enhance the conservation of shared migratory species throughout the Americas by strengthening institutional and human capacity, political commitment, international cooperation, and public-private partnerships at regional, national and local levels.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE CARIBBEAN

(supporting member states' efforts in achieving the necessary political, social economic and environmental conditions to cope with a changing international environment; to reduce the pressures on the fragile physical environment created by unsustainable development policies and practices; and to reduce the region's vulnerability to natural hazards; contributing to a healthy environment and alleviating poverty)

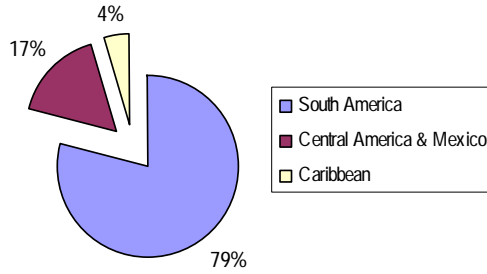
Caribbean countries face unprecedented challenges of adjustment and transformation as they seek to establish the conditions for sustainable and equitable development within the context of social justice. Consequently the Department seeks to mobilize the requisite technical and financial resources to support the implementation of programs that will assist the region in vulnerability reduction and resilience building. Early efforts in this regard focused on development planning, parks and protected areas management, coastal and marine resources management water resources management, disaster risk management and climate change adaptation.

In 2007, the Department launched the "Seminar Series on Sustainable Development in the Caribbean" and convened 2 seminars on: Climate Change and Climate Variability and Overcoming Vulnerability and Resilience in Small States. In addition, the Department provided technical assistance to Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago in determining development priorities.

The portfolio of programs being pursued by the Department all have a capacity building focus linked to risk management, broadly defined as including risks derived from or associated with human and natural causes and conditions such as: unsustainable policies and practices; natural hazards, including climate variability and climate change, trade-related chemical contamination; land degradation; and risks stemming from external shocks such as energy prices.

In 2007, the Department entered into partnerships and collaborative agreements with key regional institutions such as: The Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC); the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Response Agency (CDERA); the Caribbean Environmental Health Institute (CEHI); the Environmental and Sustainable Development Unit of the OECS Secretariat and the CARICOM Secretariat.

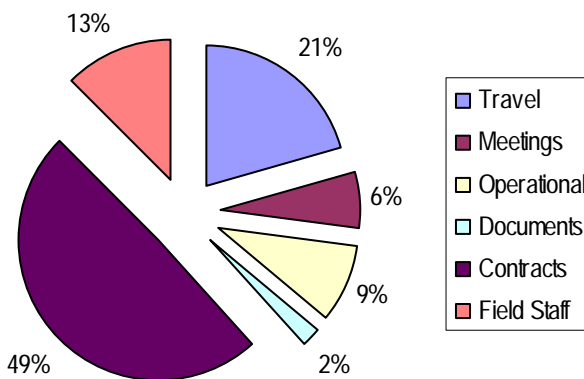
Expenditures per Region



At the country level, in **2007**, following the 2006 trend, Argentina and Brazil experienced the highest disbursement levels, US\$1.1 and US\$1.2 million dollars respectively; together processing close to 33% of the Departments 2007 expenditures.

The US\$2.3 million dollars was processed through the DSD Technical Project Units (UTPs) located in Argentina and Brazil. These two in-country representations, managed by the DSD, operate in the same manner as GS/OAS Country Offices, routinely providing direct services to several areas within the Secretariat, including SEDI, the Department of Fellowships, the UPT and CICAD.

In 2007, these Units were charged with the execution of the Departments' activities in those countries, which in the case of Argentina translates into administering the day-to-day activities of 17 projects and 11 in the case of Brazil.



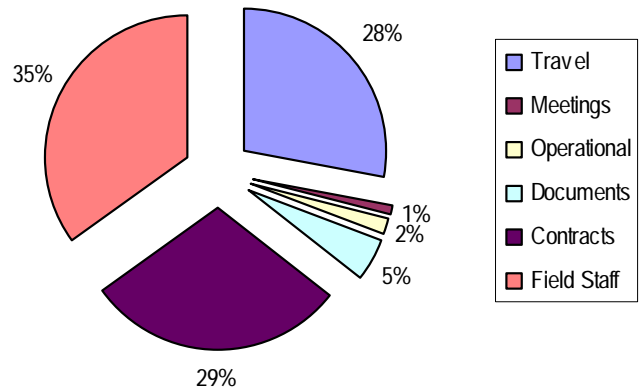
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DSD TECHNICAL PROJECT UNITS ARGENTINA & BRAZIL

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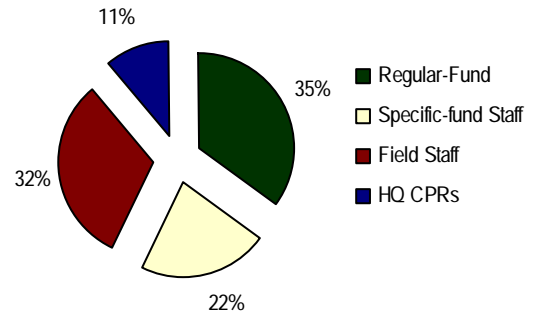
In 2007, the presence of these Units within the Region was pivotal for the Department in furthering project initiatives, particularly in the case of negotiations with Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (OTCA), headquartered in Brasilia, and CIC, headquartered in Buenos Aires, counterpart agencies for the US\$7 million dollar Amazon and the US\$11 million dollar Plata River Basin Projects, both of which are currently being negotiated.

Furthermore, these Units were instrumental in facilitating horizontal cooperation among member states of the Region, as is the case with the Water Resources Secretariat of Brazil (SRH), advancing on the implementation of the First National Water Resources Plan and the CONAE of Argentina providing both data and spatial information processing services to the countries of the Americas.

DSD HUMAN RESOURCES

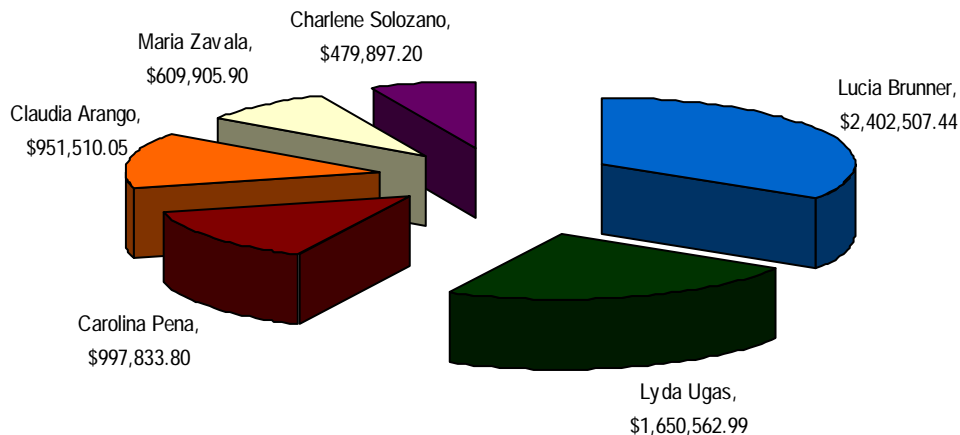
In 2007, the DSD counted with a staff of 100,

- 9 regular funded staff (\$1,212,432)
- 91 funded by specific funds (\$2,206,015)
 - 10 staff members (\$743,600)
 - 14 Headquarters CPRs (\$381,250)
 - 49 Local professional field staff (\$937,665)
 - 18 Administrative field staff (\$143,500)



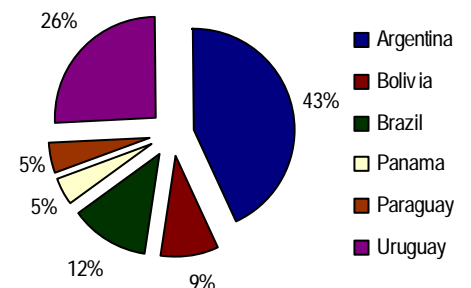
2007 total human resources cost: \$3,418,446

In 2007, the Department's staff based increased by 4%. In terms of HQ staff, the Department brought on board four new consultants: Michelle Anne Williams, Andrew Giron, Rodrigo Martinez and Francisco Burgos and established two new staff positions, a G-5 post in support of the Mangement of Natural Hazards Risk Program, filled by Claudia Arango and a P-2 post in support of the Sustainable Energy and Climate Mitigation Program, filled by Juan Cruz Monticelli.



In terms of administrative performance, the Department generated over 10,000 invoices, a 20% increase from 2006 levels, and created over 1300 Help Desk Tickets, representing 14% of DBFS entire workload, a 1% decrease from 2006 levels. Administrative staff performance remained consistent, each staffer managing between four and ten projects.

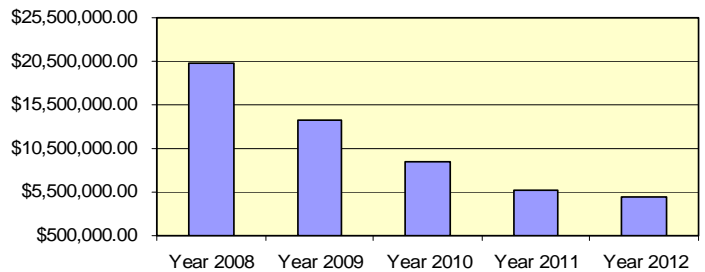
In 2007, the DSD experienced a 20% increased in field staff, due in large part to the start-up activities of the Argentina-based CONAE Project. In general, the majority of the field contracts were managed by the Integrated Water Resources Management Program, the Guarani Project accounting for 40%, and the Bermejo Project and the CONAE Projects accounting each for roughly for 20% of DSD field staff.



2007 FORECAST

The forecast for **2008** calls for continued growth and increased levels of execution. The DSD 2008 portfolio counts with 13 projects in their final phase of execution, 15 project in full execution and 9 project proposals in various stages of negotiation with our long time partners: GEF, UNEP, EU, Brazil, CIDA, IDRC and World Bank.

Based on the DSD 2007 Project Portfolio and the project proposals currently under negotiation, the DSD expects to generate revenue in excess of 20 million dollars in 2008.



PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

In 2007, the DSD experienced an 8% reduction in its' Multi-year Portfolio. The reduction coincides with the end of a 4-year project cycle with the Department's long-time partner the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP). Between 2006 and 2007, the Department concluded activities on seven mid to large size UNEP-funded projects. In addition, the Global Environment Facility (GEF), UNEP's funding mechanism for these grants, began preparations for the launch of its new project cycle - funding replenishment for 2007 – 2010. This process gave way to both institutional and procedural changes that led to delays in the grant approval process. These delays were largely responsible for Department's US\$9 million dollars shortfall in projected 2007 revenues. However, final negotiations on those grants are currently underway and start-up activities for three UNEP-funded projects are set to commence in early 2008, with expected 2008 revenues of US\$5 million dollars.

Despite the shortfall, the DSD Portfolio experienced growth across its programs. The Department added 3 large and mid size projects and 9 continuation grants and objective specific grants to its' Multi-year Portfolio, for a total combined funding of US\$5.6 million. In addition, the Department is currently finalizing negotiations on nine new grant agreements, with expected 2008 revenues of US\$7 million dollars. In 2007, the number of projects in full execution close to doubled, expenditure levels increased correspondingly, the number of projects in their final phase of execution decreased and the Departments' fundraising efforts outperformed last years level by 40%.

Attachments:

- DSD Project List, by Thematic Area



Beatriz Ferro Santos, DSD Administrative Officer

2007 DSD PROJECT LIST

BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT

Title	Goal	Donor	End Date	Grant Amount
Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network	Andes-Amazon Protected Areas Database	The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	31-Dec-08	\$ 594,041.90
	To build the Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network; to promote technical and scientific cooperation in the Amazon Protected Areas.	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)	31-Dec-08	\$ 6,000,000.00
Inter Property Summit Initiative (IPSI) - LandnetAmericas	To maintain and transform the virtual office of the Inter-Summit Property Systems Initiative (IPSI).	USAID / Chemonics	31-Dec-07	\$ 302,832.96
WHMSI-Western Hemispheric Migratory Species Initiative	To build country capacity for conserving and managing migratory wildlife.	United States Department of the Interior (USDI)	30-Jan-08	\$ 13,900.00
Total			\$	6,910,774.86

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

Title	Goal	Donor	End Date	Grant Amount
Renewable Energy in the Americas (REIA) Initiative	GS/OAS/DSD serves as the Technical Secretariat for the Renewable Energy in the Americas (REIA).	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	30-Sep-07	\$ 1,097,500.00
Policy Analysis (energy) for OAS GA 2007	To undertake policy research regarding the complex relationship between increased energy integration and inter-dependence, particularly in relation to integration of the electricity sector, and sustainable development issues, in preparation for the OAS GA 2007.	Canada	1-Oct-07	\$ 13,000.00
Coordination and Technical Support of the Global Sustainable Energy Island Initiative	To promote and support the efforts of the Caribbean SIDS in transitioning away from energy consumption and supply patterns based on conventional fossil fuel towards more sustainable energy development	Climate Institute	30-Jun-08	\$ 67,000.00
Global Sustainable Energy Islands Initiative (GSEII)	To address barriers to renewable energy use by measurably reducing the constraints on, and increasing the capacity for, financing of solar water heaters (SWHS) by the credit unions that service the credit needs of the low and middle income population in Saint Lucia.	United Nations Industrial Development Organization	28-Aug-07	\$ 121,000.00
Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP) LAC Regional Secretariat	To function as a partnership for the exchange of information for best practices in development and use of renewable energy and energy efficiency systems in Latin American and Caribbean.	Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership	31-Jul-08	\$ 161,000.00

RE/EE Forum	To establish a regional forum for sustainable energy policy coordination in order to affect policy and regulatory reform in Latin America.	Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership	1-Apr-07	\$	70,000.00
School-based Telecenters in Rural Guatemala	To establish three centers which will service as a model for development of a national program to utilize modern information and communication technologies as tools for communication, education, knowledge and information dissemination in poor, remote and rural areas of Guatemala	OPEC Fund for International Development	30-Jun-08	\$	100,000.00
Support the establishment of sustainable bioenergy programs and projects in several countries of Latin America and the Caribbean; helping to diversify the energy production mix and to improve economic stability and competitiveness.	To support sustainable bio-energy projects/prgrams to diversify the energy production mix of countries in the Western Hemisphere	U.S. State Department	30-Jun-09	\$	1,000,000.00

Total \$ 2,629,500.00

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, POLICIES & ECONOMICS

Title	Goal	Donor	End Date	Grant Amount
Environmentally Sustainable Trade: Environmental Assessments and Capacity Building in the Context of Free Trade	To conduct National Environmental Assessments of Free Trade and promote integrated development policies	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	31-Mar-07	\$ 550,000.00
Sustainability Impact Assessment of the SoySector	To conduct a regional sustainability impact assessment of soy production and promote integrated policies.	OAS - Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI)	31-Mar-08	\$ 115,600.00
Trade & Environment in the Americas Project	To support trade-related capacity building in Environmental Management in : (a) strengthening capacities in the sound management of chemicals, (b) enhancing public participation and the effective enforcement of environmental laws, (c) improving market-based approaches to the conservation of biological diversity, through the support of Payment for Ecological Service Payments (PES), and (d) strengthening educational capacities in the area of trade and environment, through the development and dissemination of a "tool kit" on trade and sustainable	Canadian International Development Agency - CIDA	30-Sep-08	\$ 1,500,000.00
Monitoring Progress of the Environmental Cooperation Agenda in the DR-CAFTA countries	Monitoring Progress of the Environmental Cooperation Agenda in the DR-CAFTA countries	U.S. State Department	30-Sep-09	299,958.00

Total \$ 2,465,558.00

INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Title	Goal	Donor	End Date	Grant Amount
Implementation of SAP-Bermejo River	To assist the governments of Argentina and Bolivia in addressing the root causes of the principal environmental problems affecting the Bermejo River Basin, with a focus on their main transboundary manifestations — namely, sediment erosion, transport, and dep	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Global Environment Facility (GEF)	31-Aug-08	\$ 11,329,852.43
Golfo de Honduras	To formulate and execute a development plan for the Golfo de Honduras.	Honduras	31-Dec-08	\$ 786,134.20
Strengthening the Water Resources Sector in Brazil (SRH)	To establish the basis for the implementation of the National Water Resources Policy in Brazil; strengthening dialogue on water resources in Brasil.	Brazil	20-Dec-10	\$ 11,281,547.81
Sustainable Development Plan for Amazonian Integration Actions - PRODESAM	To complete a development plan for the Brazilian Amazonian Region, updating regional database , provide modern technological support, modernizing the Amazonian Aquiculture Network System, and consolidating documentation preparation.	Brazil - SUDAM	31-Jan-08	\$ 1,660,583.17
Guarani Aquifer Project	To promote the environmental protection and sustainable development of the Guarani Aquifer System.	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) - The World Bank	31-Dec-08	\$ 13,400,000.00
1st Inter-American Meeting on Sustainable Development to be held in Sta Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia	To undertake follow up activities related to the 1st Inter-American Meeting on Sustainable Development to be held in Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia 4-5 December 2006.	OAS RES. 831	31-Dec-08	\$ 67,721.68
	To hold a Preparatory Meeting of Experts related to the Prep Activities for the 1st Inter-American Meeting on Sustainable Development to be held in Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia, 4-5 December 2006.	Canada	31-Dec-08	\$ 13,665.42
Amazon Basin	To strengthen the institutional framework for planning and executing, in a coordinated and coherent manner, activities for the protection and sustainable management of the land and water resources of the Amazon River Basin.	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Global Environment Facility (GEF)	31-May-08	\$ 700,000.00
Artibonito Intermountain Aquifer and the Masacre Coastal Aquifer Systems	To achieve regional sustainable development through the reduction in land degradation, soil loss, and associated human poverty, and preservation of threatened environmental resources in the intermountain and coastal regions of Hispaniola.	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Global Environment Facility (GEF)	31-Dec-07	\$ 50,000.00
Sustainable Land Management in the Transboundary Gran Chaco American Ecosystem	To establish a sound foundation for sustainable land management in the Transboundary Gran Chaco Region & Eco-System.	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Global Environment Facility (GEF)	28-Feb-08	\$ 500,000.00

Rio Negro Basin	To assess the actual status of social, economic, physical and environmental conditions with respect to the Rio Negro Transboundary Basin shared by Honduras y Nicaragua.	OAS Peace Fund	31-Dec-08	\$	102,682.94
Regional Framework for management of water use in Rio Bravo Drainage Basin	To develop a long-term bi-national plan to meet future human and ecosystem water demands on both sides of the border in the Rio Bravo drainage basin in a sustainable manner, as well as possible short-term measures to meet current and near-future water needs.	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Global Environment Facility (GEF)	31-Jan-08	\$	25,000.00
PROSAT - PHASE I (FAPEP)	To prepare a program for the Development of the Satellite System and Earth Observation Applications, PROSAT, of Argentina. Phase One.	Comisión Nacional de Actividades Especiales de la Republica de Argentina (CONAE)	31-Jul-07	\$	411,700.00
1st Inter-American Meeting on Sustainable Development	To cover cost of the 1st Inter-American Meeting of Ministers & High Level Authorities on Sustainable Development held in Santa Cruz, Bolivia 4-5 December 2006.	Government of Bolivia	31-Jan-07	\$	150,511.17
Program for the Development of the Satellite System and Earth Observation Applications, PROSAT, of Argentina (PROSAT - PHASE II)	To contribute to the acquisition, management and use of spatial information including applications that contribute to improved socio-economic conditions in the Republic of Argentina	Comisión Nacional de Actividades Especiales de la Republica de Argentina (CONAE)	31-Dec-08	\$	3,640,980.00
Advancing Good Governance and Hemispheric Policy Integration in Sustainable Fresh Water Management	To support greater policy and technical coordination amount the 34 member countries of the OAS in the sustainable management of freshwater resources.	Austria - Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs	31-Dec-07	\$	61,600.00
	To support greater policy and technical coordination amount the 34 member countries of the OAS in the sustainable management of freshwater resources.	OAS - FEMCIDI	31-Mar-08	\$	20,000.00

Total \$ 44,201,978.82

MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL HAZARD RISK

Title	Goal	Donor	End Date	Grant Amount
Caribbean Hazard Mitigation Capacity Building Program (CHAMP)	To establish sustainable public/private sector mechanisms which measurably lessen the loss of life, reduce the potential for physical and economic damage; and contribute to the achievement of sustainable development by reducing natural hazard vulnerability.	Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)	30-Apr-07	\$ 1,741,006.16
Land Degradation in Small Island Ecosystems in the Caribbean	To build local and regional capacity to support sustainable land management; and to develop pilot demonstration activities on sustainable land management to address land degradation at the community level.	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	31-Aug-08	\$ 386,295.00

Suriname-Brazil Biocultural Conservation	To promote the sustainable development & biocultural conservation of the Brazil-Suriname Border.	OAS - Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI)	31-Aug-08	\$	392,926.40
Creation of Inter-American Collaborative Network for Disaster Mitigation	To support good governance-related activities in reducing the risk to natural disasters, by supporting on-going collaboration among national focal points, multilateral and regional organizations in risk-reduction programs, projects and strategies in the hemisphere; building on previous collaboration efforts with the IAME, IDB, WP and PAHO.	OAS - Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI)	31-Dec-08	\$	299,784.82
	To provide access to design and construction practices and financial support mechanisms through insurance and financial assistance to middle-incomes homeowners for natural hazard resistant housing, and to design and implement an education facility vulnerability retrofit program for retrofitting school infrastructure at all levels building on community-based				\$
Reducing Risk to Natural Disasters in the Americas	To support the strengthening of information sharing of best practices in 2 sectors: resilience of public schools in the Andean Region and construction resilience-related activities in the low-income sector in Grenada.	Government of the People's Republic of China	31-Dec-08	\$	62,000.00
White Helmets Project	To provide expand and consolidate the execution and financial mechanisms related to the participation of specialized volunteers at both the national and regional level in Latin America to thereby provide humanitarian assistance and prevention fo emergency situations.	Argentina	31-Dec-09	\$	331,010.97
		International Development Bank (IDB)	31-Mar-08	\$	117,266.06
Coastal No Adverse Impact Handbook	To collaborate in developing an adapted version of the Handbook and the Primer for use of decision-makers and citizens in the Americas.	Association of State Floodplain Managers, Inc	31-Dec-07	\$	26,000.00

Total \$ 3,786,619.05

TOTAL DSD PROJECT PORTFOLIO \$ 59,994,430.73

