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REGIONAL

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION			
1.	TITLE	TOWARD HARMONISING FREEDOM OF THE PRESS AND BROADCASTING LEGISLATION IN THE CARIBBEAN	
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 RLA/01	
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio, television, printed press, the Internet	
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Independent and pluralistic media	
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	Regional	
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial	
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 72 500	
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 51 500	
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Caribbean Media Corporation (CMC) Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU) Caribbean News Agency (CANA)	
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Caribbean Media Corporation	
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Barbados	
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Caribbean Media Corporation, Caribbean Broadcasting Union	
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU		

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

As the Caribbean moves towards a Single Market and Economy, and considering the evolving Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), there needs to be a rationalisation and harmonisation of many of its business rules, regulations and operating procedures. A Single Market and Economy (SME) will mean that all within that common economic space should be able to trade freely and frequently across geographical confines. Accordingly, broadcasting across the region needs much rationalisation, harmonisation and regularisation of rules, legislation and practices. However, the new media have not yet been defined in the context of the broadcasting landscape. While the need for validation of rules, legislation and practice is true for the general broadcasting in the Caribbean, this is particularly the case for the laws governing press freedom. The easier the flow of broadcasting information across the region and across the society, the better the information democracy would be enhanced.

This project is designed to undertake a comparative study and a survey of broadcast regulations and press freedom laws in selected countries of the Caribbean. The research would critically examine laws affecting freedom of press and broadcasting in general, and assess the implementation and overall effectiveness of the existing legal framework of freedom of press and broadcasting.

The key developmental challenges are:

- > Updating and modernisation of press freedom laws, particularly libel and defamatory laws;
- ➤ Maintaining an economically viable climate for broadcasting;
- Appropriate positioning of the new media in traditional environment, and vice versa.

The specific problems to be addressed are:

- ➤ Outdated legislation, especially in relation to press freedom;
- Lack of template for public service broadcasting;
- > Regulatory differences from island to island;
- > Rationalisation of licensing policy;
- > Defining new the media within the traditional broadcasting landscape.

This project will help to shed more light on discrepancies and disparities between the legislative and operating environment across the Caribbean market place. It also will help to define and position the new media applications within the framework of the information society.

In addition, this project proposes the organisation of a symposium that would include CARICOM representatives, lawyers and government officials with broadcasting responsibility for a study of the findings, a panel discussion and Broadcast on *CaribVision*.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

- ➤ Media organisations;
- University and student researchers;
- > Governments of the region;
- Practicing journalists;
- > Society at large.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

- To increase the understanding of the impact and role of press freedom and broadcasting laws in the region among media professions, institutions and governments through scientific research, as well as debate and publications on these issues over a one and half-year period;
- Promote press freedom and freedom of expression in the region.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

To place press freedom and broadcasting laws on the priority agenda of the governments of the Caribbean through scientific research as well as debate and publications on these issues, thereby strengthening the legislative structure of the region, promoting harmonisation of these laws with respect to the Caribbean Single Market and Economy (CSME) and the Caribbean Court of Justice, while complimenting the region's thrust towards free access to information.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Research consultants;
- > Data on existing laws in the region.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- There will be a survey and a collection of information in 12 countries;
- ➤ Comparative research will be completed;
- ➤ The capacity of media professionals, institutions and government will be enhanced with respect to the understanding of press freedom and broadcasting laws;
- Recommendations toward harmonisation of the region's laws.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES AND WORK PLAN</u>

<u>Month 1</u>: Specification of the terms of reference of the project;

<u>Months 1-2</u>: Selection of countries; selection of consultants;

Month 3: Field visits;

Months 3-8: Survey and data collection; Planning of symposium;

Months 9-12: Data analysis;

Months 12-13: Collection of findings; Month 13: Launching of research;

Months 14-15: Refining and formulation of results for publication;

Month 16: Publication of findings;
Month 17: Monitoring and evaluation;

Month 18: Final report.

8. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

As implementing agency, the Caribbean Media Corporation, will collaborate with the CBU and CANA to coordinate and administer the following areas:

- Specification of survey parameters;
- > Selection of consultant;

- Administrative and logistic support of the study;
- > Date collection;
- Review and submission of the report.

9. SUSTAINABILITY

- > Creation of an equitable operating climate for all broadcasting institutions;
- ➤ Establishment of an economic environment conducive to a more sustainable and viable media industry;
- > Development and improvement of media skills and of performing broadcast journalists.

The cooperating organisations will ensure that the debate generated from the research is being maintained with the commitment of CBU and CANA members to organise national debates and broadcast the planned regional symposium. The press freedom and broadcasting laws issues are placed on the agenda of CBU and CANA's annual general assemblies.

10. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Over the years CBU, CANA, the Caribbean Media Conference, the Association of Caribbean Media Workers as well as press / journalists associations and media scholars have had to face, at one time or another, problems concerning press freedom and prohibitive broadcasting laws in the region. Many conferences and workshops were held. It is the general feeling of the media industry in the region that time has now come for more systematic, concerted and purposeful actions toward strengthening press freedom. This project results from the outcomes of these meetings and workshops.

CBU has also been in dialogue with CARICOM on the role of media in the CSME. UNESCO recently supported a research on these matters.

11. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The CMC will report on a quarterly basis to UNESCO on progress of the activities, update of expenditures and outcomes of the symposium.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

CBU, CANA and the CMC are the three premier media organisations in the region. They have received support from IPDC/UNESCO in the past, and they have enjoyed a long and meaningful relationship with UNESCO in media development. We look forward to a continued partnership.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Team of 3 consultants, including a lawyer (150 man/days):		
Travel expenses:		
Accommodation and subsistence:		
Organisation of a 1-day symposium (30 participants):		
Publication of research:		
Monitoring:		
<u>TOTAL</u> :		

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Preparation of the terms of reference and organisation of field support:	4 000	
Team of 3 consultants, including a lawyer (150 man/days):	2 000	
Travel expenses:	2 000	
Organisation of a 1-day symposium (30 participants):		
Publication of research:		
Monitoring and evaluation:		
Communications:		
Secretarial support:		
TOTAL:	<u>21 000</u>	

REGIONAL

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION			
1.	TITLE	JOURNALISTS TRAINING IN HURRICANE COVERAGE IN THE CARIBBEAN	
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 RLA/02	
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	All media	
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Development of communication capacities	
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	Regional	
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial	
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 27 600	
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 22 100	
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Journalists and media organisations in the Caribbean	
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	The "JOSE MARTÍ" International Journalism Institute, Havana	
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Havana	
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	M. Sc. Roger Ricardo Luis, Research Deputy Director, International Journalism Institute	
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU		

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Every year, from June to November, the Caribbean area faces a dangerous period that becomes a real challenge for every one in tropical latitudes: the hurricane season. Global overheating and climate change in our planet cause a more active season each time, so hurricanes, tropical storms, tornadoes and other atmospheric events are frequently targeted as headlines for journalists and media organisations.

Millions of dollars are spent on hurricane preparedness every year, but experts say it is not enough, because these are intense and very complex events, and sometimes people underestimate the potential destructive force of nature. Hurricanes Wilma, Katrina and Rita were lately clear examples.

To reduce the impact of these meteorological events, the population in every country of the area must be well informed. In order to do the right thing at the right moment, people must be able to reach qualified information about forecasting, tracking and impact of the storm. Likewise, one must be well acquainted with the meaning of a good preparedness and the recovering phase following the storm. Evacuation tasks of human beings and goods assumed by agencies, local and national authorities, require a proper treatment by the media, regardless whether they are private or state-owned.

Journalists and media organisations develop a key role as a reliable link between the population, the meteorologists and the Civil Defence authorities, so it is crucial that journalist are well trained in covering this kind of news, engage relations with local and regional weather centres in order to share information and also to maintain the live media coverage during these events.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

50 journalists and staff media: 20 from Cuban media and 30 from Caribbean countries (Spanish, French and English-speaking) including editors, reporters and special correspondents.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- To train 50 journalists and media professionals from the Caribbean countries, in a four-day workshop on the issues of hurricane season coverage;
- To improve knowledge, quality preparedness and response to hurricanes and other weather disasters in the area.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

To improve the communicative capacity of media professionals and the people they serve, and develop tools and links for a more effective coverage of the hurricane season.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ 3 weather experts for conferences and interactive debates;
- ➤ 2 communication advisers;
- ➤ 2 simultaneous translators in regional languages (English and French);

> Storage media for educational purposes.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 50 journalists from the Caribbean countries will be trained to improve skills in the coverage of the hurricane season;
- ➤ A multimedia storage device will be produced for the participants with the workshop contents;
- Personal contacts with staff of the Institute of Meteorology of Cuba and visit of its facilities.

7. ACTIVITIES

- > Setting up of the coordination and organising team;
- ➤ Call to regional journalists;
- ➤ Identification of experts;
- ➤ Arrangements for travelling booking, local transportation and accommodation;
- > Arrangements of translation services;
- > Selection of participants;
- 4-day workshop for 50 journalists;
- Making and delivering of multimedia storage device with contents;
- Project implementation report.

> Final implementation report

8. WORK PLAN

Coordinating meeting and first call for participants (2 months);
 Final call and selection of participants (2 months);
 Travelling and accommodation arrangements (1 month);
 Workshop for journalists on hurricane coverage (4 days);
 Edition and production of media storage device (2 weeks);

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The project will be carried out by the Research Department of the José Martí International Journalism Institute and other organisations involved, such as the Institute of Meteorology of Cuba and the Cuban Civil Defence, as well as the Cuban Red Cross, which will supply the experts for conferences and general advisory services.

(2 weeks).

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The Institution and the operation can sustain itself by generating new programmes or contents for teaching journalists in the coverage of hurricane season or other disasters, and through the publication of a CD or media storage useful for journalists and media organisations on this issue.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

UNESCO ACI; the Havana-based UNESCO regional Office.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The Latin American Federation of Journalists can act as a potential evaluator of this project.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a three-month basis or as requested by the IPDC.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Evaluation of a Cuban National Workshop for covering disasters carried out in the same institution for 30 Cuban journalists;
- Interviews and previous coordination and agreement with the Cuban Civil Defence and the Institute of Meteorology of Cuba.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

The Institute's contribution to the project includes a research and coordinating team, 3 teaching experts, the use of a conference room and classroom equipped with computing and multimedia facilities, research materials, English/French translations for foreign participants and administrative support.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

None.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Air travel for foreign participants (30 from Caribbean countries):	12 300	
In-out airport taxes for foreign participants:	1 800	
Accommodation (4 nights in shared rooms) and subsistence in the students' residence:	4 200	
Local transport:	475	
English simultaneous translator (contract):		
French simultaneous translator (contract):		
Training materials (70 copies):		
Media storage (70 units):	175	
Communications (international fax and phone):		
Monitoring:		
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>22 100</u>	

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Research and coordinating team (3 persons \times 3 months):	2 300	
3 teaching experts for the workshop:	1 200	
Translation of working papers into English and French:		
Conference room and classroom:		
Institute Documentation Centre and Library:		
Equipment and multimedia facilities:		
Design and production of media storage:		
Administrative support:		
<u>TOTAL</u> : <u>5 50</u>		

REGIONAL

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION		
1.	TITLE	IMPROVING HEALTH JOURNALISM IN THE CARIBBEAN
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 RLA/03
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	All media
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resource development Media pluralism
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	Regional
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 54 500
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 20 500
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Association of Caribbean Media Workers (ACM)
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Association of Caribbean Media Workers
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Port of Spain
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	ACM and CARIMAC
DECISION OF THE BUREAU		

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Over the last decade, the media in the Caribbean have become increasingly liberalised, now serving mostly private interests. Therefore, despite the numerous media channels, there appears to be underreporting of health and developmental issues, and a need for the media to make a more meaningful contribution to health development. Within this context, the proposed activity seeks to gather information, see how health-related topics are covered in the media and how the audiences access and respond to health information from media sources. The findings of this study are expected to reveal to media houses how they could utilise their specific channels to better serve audiences who rely on them for health information.

Little is known about the health information-seeking habits of audiences, and the way in which they respond to health content in the media is a matter of special concern. Given the prevailing discriminatory attitudes towards persons living with health disorders, especially HIV/AIDS, this concern is of importance. The Caribbean ranks second to Sub-Saharan Africa with the second highest rate of HIV/AIDS infections. Caribbean economies depend upon a healthy population for sustainability. Diseases like HIV/AIDS affect the social development of families and communities. The higher the incidences of HIV, the more money needs to be spent on health care, to the detriment of budgets in other areas, a predicament which limits the funds available for investment and production of goods and services. Prevention ought therefore to be a guiding principle; access to reliable information to assist the public in adhering to disease prevention behaviour requires an increased role for media practitioners.

This project is concerned with building the capacity of journalists, so that they can contribute to health-seeking behaviours of Caribbean nationals. To do so, the project evaluates the health content of articles as presented by both the print and electronic media. Against this background, the proposed study seeks answers to such questions as: Is enough being done to place these and other key health-related issues on the media agenda? How is this particular type of content treated when it gets media coverage? Should anything be done to intervene proactively, ensuring that important issues receive the level and quality of media attention beneficial to all? Do audiences rely on the media as a main source of health information?

Additionally, this project would seek to train media professionals/journalists as a part of post-research follow-up. The findings of the research would be used as the basis of one of the components of a sub-regional workshop. Recognising UNESCO's interventions on media development in the region, CARIMAC requests UNESCO/IPDC partnership on this initiative.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

- The Association of Caribbean Media (ACM) workers;
- Media houses in all English-speaking Caribbean countries;
- Students of journalism and other media;
- The Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication (CARIMAC);
- > Journalists and other media practitioners.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To critically assess the relationship between media and a healthy population the region while promoting increased health coverage by media in the region;

To enhance the capacity of 20 media professionals in reporting on health issues.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

- To contribute to increased health-seeking behaviours in the Caribbean community;
- To demystify diseases such as HIV/AIDS, avian influenza, and assist in reducing the stigma and discrimination associated with these diseases.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ Electronic media sample selection from all types of locally produced programmes, including talk shows, call-in programmes, news magazine shows, entertainment.
- > 2 researchers;
- ➤ A research assistant;
- ➤ 2 trainers, 2 presenters;
- Respondents: citizens and media houses;
- > Statistical software and computer systems;
- > Training materials.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ An understanding of health-seeking behaviours of audiences in 6 Caribbean territories;
- An understanding of how health information is covered by the media in 6 Caribbean territories;
- ➤ Data to contribute to the writing of a publication on health journalism to be made available to journalism training programmes and to media houses throughout the English-speaking Caribbean;
- ➤ 20 media professionals trained in reporting on health issues.

7. ACTIVITIES

- 1. Complete the replication of the content analysis activity of identified health-related content (which was originally conducted in St. Vincent and the Grenadines in 2005) in the media of 5 other Caribbean countries: namely Antigua, Barbados, the Bahamas, Jamaica, and Trinidad;
- 2. Code electronic sample and enter into SPSS;
- 3. Complete data entry and analysis for the content analysis;
- 4. Analyse print and electronic media content after all has been entered in SPSS;
- 5. Complete audience survey in 6 countries: Antigua, Barbados, the Bahamas, Jamaica, Trinidad and St. Vincent and the Grenadines;
- 6. Enter data from the survey in SPSS;
- 7. Analyse data from the survey;
- 8. Production and dissemination of the report to partners and media houses;
- 9. Development of training material;
- 10. Organisation of a sub-regional workshop on media and health in the Caribbean.

8. WORK PLAN

Weeks 1-8: Collect electronic sample and code; complete data entry; finalise sample selection for audience survey.

Weeks 9-16: Fieldwork for audience survey; begin data entry; complete fieldwork for audience

survey.

Weeks 17-24: Complete data entry; analysis and writing report; submit report to UNESCO;

commence preparation of training workshop and develop training materials.

Week 28: Sub-regional workshop.

Weeks 29-30: Complete workshop report.

Weeks 31-33: Project evaluation

Week 34: Submit report to UNESCO

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The Caribbean Programme Coordination (OCPC) Office of the Pan American Health Organisation, Regional Office of the World Health Organisation (PAHO/WHO) is collaborating with the Association of Caribbean Media Workers (ACM) and the Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication (CARIMAC) to undertake this initiative.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

- ➤ The information garnered will be used to strengthen the capacity of journalism programmes generally and health journalism specifically through the revision and development of the health journalism module delivered at CARIMAC.
- Promoting the report and the published work as a required reading to students of journalism and to media houses;
- ➤ Promoting further research in this area among CARIMAC students to build on the information obtained from this project.

Given the paucity of Caribbean research material in this area, this activity is expected to provide a fundamental and lasting contribution to health journalism.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

ACM, PAHO and CARIMAC will collaborate in monitoring the impact of the activities.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Dissemination of report and publication based on a distribution list developed by collaborating partners, including funding agencies.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

ACM will provide quarterly reports on project activities.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

Collection of samples for content analysis; coding and entry of data from electronic content analysis; data entry of newspaper analysis; development of questionnaire.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

ACM will contribute to providing background information on media and health activities in English-speaking Caribbean countries.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

PAHO, PANCAP.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Literature review for audience survey:	1 000	
Replication coding for content analysis in 5 countries:	1 250	
Data entry into SPSS for content analysis and survey:	2 000	
Analysis of findings and writing of report:	3 000	
Production and dissemination of final report:		
Communications (e-mail, fax, telephone):		
Organisational support from CARIMAC (photocopying of code sheets, questionnaires etc.):		
Post-research workshop (4 trainers/presenters, preparation of training materials, air travel and per diem):		
Monitoring		
<u>TOTAL</u> :		

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Literature review for audience survey:	1 250	
Development of research instruments (design and pre-test):	2 250	
Air travel and ground transportation for the supervisor, coders and fieldworkers:	2 000	
Accommodation and subsistence:	1 800	
Training of fieldworkers and on-site supervision:	3 500	
Audience survey:	8 000	
Collection of samples:		
6 coders:	4 000	
Replication coding for content analysis in 5 countries:		
Analysis of findings and writing of report:		
Final report:		
Communications (e-mail, fax, telephone):		
Design and printing of book (150 pages):		
Organisational support from CARIMAC (photocopying of code sheets,		
questionnaires etc.):		
Monitoring		
<u>TOTAL</u> : <u>35 00</u>		

REGIONAL

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION		
1.	TITLE	RADIOTECA, A MULTICULTURAL AUDIO PLATFORM
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 RLA/04
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	On-line radio programmes
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Community media development
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 51 000
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 30 500
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Local and community radios of Latin America
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Radialistas Apasionadas y Apasionados
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Lima
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Radialistas Apasionadas y Apasionados
DECISION OF THE BUREAU		

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Commercial radio stations predominate within the Latin America media scene. However, the presence of local and community radios (indigenous, juvenile, scholar, university and peasant) which respond to civil society's interests is growing up. Local and community radios do have a free and pluralistic mission and vision. Nevertheless, the limitation of their own production and insufficient of income make it difficult to disseminate these values, and compel them to a weak and fragmented programming.

RADIOTECA intends to enrich and support the programming of local and community radios. It will be possible through the Internet, the main partner, which will facilitate and strengthen the exchange of formats and productions of all type. In the field of information, local and community radios will have access to a wide offer of material, especially by the means of Internet.

In Latin America, numerous sound and radio productions respond to the highest human values and technical quality. Most of them are isolated or forgotten in the archives of many radio stations. Even if they are recorded in analogical formats, they can be recovered and put on-line. They must first be digitised (copied, cleaned, compressed) and catalogued. After what they will be available on the RADIOTECA site.

At least three conditions will be demanded to the productions for acceptance in the RADIOTECA catalogue: their value contents, their relevance and their technical quality. Productions that promote religious or political groups' propaganda will not be accepted. Either will not be accepted those that do not consider human rights. Material regarding key topics and which goes beyond the mass-media scope will be a priority for RADIOTECA.

The implementing body RADIALISTAS has a performing equipment, suitable for the implementation of the RADIOTECA project. Due to the expected high rate of connections, a dedicated server will be a priority.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

Immediate beneficiaries of the project are the users of RADIOTECA: radio stations, organisations, production centres, information agencies, individuals and anyone interested in downloading or uploading audios, as well as exchanging materials.

RADIOTECA will accept as members legally constituted radio stations, or those that have on-line transmissions and do not use a radio frequency.

Local and community radio audiences are also an essential component of the project: they are the reason for which RADIOTECA will work, by indirectly offering them pluralistic high-quality programming.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To provide and guarantee free access and free download to high-quality radio productions that promote cultural diversity, disseminate local contents and contribute to preserve the "radio memory" in Latin American countries. At the same time, RADIOTECA will improve the exchange of audio materials among radio networks, producers and associations in the region.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

Free access to the multicultural content of value promoted by RADIOTECA is intimately related to democracy and freedom of speech.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

Human resources:

- ➤ The director will lead the team, coordinate public relationships, be the contact person for radio producers and be in charge of the project's funding;
- ➤ The Webmaster will design RADIOTECA's website, keep it updated and maintain the databases; web management demands a well-monitored service to keep the DNS routes operational, prevent hacker attacks, supervise e-mail systems and deliver e-bulletins to the members:
- ➤ RADIALISTAS team work (a person in charge of content, an audio editor and a secretary) will provide its support to RADIOTECA.

Technical equipment:

- ➤ An accessible, user-friendly and attractive website;
- > A dedicated wide-band server capable to process an important rate of data transfer;
- ➤ An efficient search service;
- Specialised equipment to convert analogical audio into digital audio (with a noise reduction software).

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ To collect and catalogue as many high-quality productions recorded in analogical formats as possible, and digitise at least 500 of them;
- ➤ To encourage the use and exchange of audio productions among radio stations, networks and other RADIOTECA users. Our goal is to reach at least 20 000 hits per month by the end the first year;
- ➤ To increase the number of radio stations and communication institutions linked to RADIOTECA. Our goal is to register at least 500 radios or organisations by the end of the first year;
- ➤ To supply RADIOTECA with an increasing number of audio productions. Our goal is to put at least 1000 all-format programmes at the users' disposal by the end of the first year.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

- > To acquire web domains (www.radioteca.net, www.radioteca.org, www.radioteca.com);
- > To rent and configure a dedicated server;
- To design and maintain updated the RADIOTECA's website:
- To build up a precise search service and other database tools;
- To design a cataloguing format (title, date, country, author, format, theme, length);
- ➤ To reach agreements with outstanding institutions of Latin America which develop radio production initiatives (ALER, CIESPAL, Radio Nederland, AMARC, Radio Educación, SERPAL) and include their productions in the RADIOTECA;
- ➤ To digitise, clean and compress (convert into MP3 format) 500 originally analogical programmes;
- To produce a special section such as "Great Series", latest news, related links, etc.
- To launch <u>www.radioteca.net</u>, the RADIOTECA website offering at least 500 audio programmes;

- > To promote the project through mailing lists and other information tools;
- ➤ To send e-bulletins twice a month disseminating new programmes, latest news and other key topics regarding the RADIOTECA;
- ➤ To create and maintain updated a database of users, countries and programmes registered in RADIOTECA;
- To elaborate a base line of radio stations and communication centres which produce high-quality materials based on human values;
- ➤ To invite radio stations and communication centres to send their audio documents by post, email and FTP (File Transfer Protocol) and become aware of the importance of exchanging materials and working together to improve radio production in Latin America;
- To recover old but valuable productions that are now isolated or forgotten in some Latin American radio stations and university archives;
- > To include RSS and Podcasting services.

8. WORK PLAN

Activities/month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Ago	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Website design												
Build-up search												
services												
Website available												
Collect audio												
productions												
Digitise audio												
productions												
First project update												
Final report												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Radialistas Apasionadas y Apasionados is a non-governmental / non-profit organisation which produces radio programmes since August 2001. To date, its website receives at least 30 000 hits per month. Each month, the number of audio downloads goes over the 20 000 radio clips.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

Once it is launched and has built an audience, the project will explore feasible ways of generating income in order to support its continuing operation. For example, RADIOTECA's website will look to publish banners on organisations which want to cooperate with the project. At the same time, RADIOTECA will seek to sell services such as audio recording, analogical music digitising and consultancy on the design and maintenance of websites. We will also ask for support to international cooperation agencies interested in the cultural democratic diversity of the website's content.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

Rosa Sueiro, ILLA's Coordinator, could be assigned by UNESCO to monitor the project progress. ILLA is a Peruvian NGO that has been supporting local and community radios for the past 20 years.

12. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

- Regional project "Strengthening communication networks to build up a culture of peace" (approved in 2003 and implemented by RADIPAZ and Radialistas);
- ➤ National project "Building up production capacities for local TV stations" (approved in 2004 and implemented by TV CULTURA);
- National project "Radio and Democracy: Participation of marginalized sectors in the decentralisation process in Peru" (approved in 2005 and implemented by the Coordinadora Nacional de Radio).

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

Five years of continuous daily radio production uploaded to www.radialistas.net.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

None.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)							
Director (12 months):	4 800						
Digitalisation of 500 audio documents:	12 500						
Webmaster (12 months):							
Web management:	4 000						
Dedicated server:	3 400						
Communications (12 months):	2 400						
Monitoring	1 000						
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>30 500</u>						

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Person in charge of content (12 months):	2 400
Office furniture:	6 000
Office rent (12 months):	3 600
Internet connection (12 months):	1 000
Recording studio and digitising equipment:	7 000
Update reports:	500
<u>REGIONALTOTAL</u> :	<u>20 500</u>

REGIONAL

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION								
1.	TITLE	LOCAL AND COMMUNITY MEDIA: FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS							
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 RLA/05							
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio, television, printed press, the Internet							
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Development of community media; Freedom of expression and media pluralism; Development of human resources							
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	Regional							
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial							
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 45 000							
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 30 200							
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	IPS Inter Press Service (Latin America)							
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	IPS Inter Press Service (Latin America)							
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay							
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Joaquín Costanzo Regional Director IPS Latin America							
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU								

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Achieving the Millennium Development Goals is essential for Latin America. This would represent survival or a healthier and more dignified life, social inclusion, and the possibility to enjoy and exercise basic rights suppressed for so long. A better communication shall serve as an essential support to achieve the MDG in these countries.

The executing agency, IPS Inter Press Service Latin America, is convinced that it has excellent conditions to develop this project because:

- It has a network of more than 30 journalists in every Latin American country, as well as 10 correspondents, editors, and freelance in Argentina, Paraguay, and Uruguay;
- Its management and its journalists have extensive and proved experience, professionalism and specialisation to deal with issues related to the MDG and develop them;
- Focus on gender issues and caring about gender balance in all its journalistic production has always been a priority in the agency's editorial policy;
- Due to its strong capacity for content dissemination in the region and the world, using every resource available thanks to modern information technologies, it offers unbeatable conditions to make the information originated in the communities, which are the object of this proposal, available in Latin America and the world.

This initiative aims at developing a network of 120-150 community local and provincial media in Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay, providing them with content-rich and qualified information, with a special focus on gender issues and gender equity, so that they can reach their audiences with a high quality editorial product.

Through this network and this editorial production, it shall cooperate with the consolidation and development of different communication initiatives of communities and small / medium-sized towns in the countries involved in the project

The action shall be completed with training workshops and the professional updating of journalists from the media involved. These workshops shall involve 40 journalists from the three countries included in the project: 20 from Argentina, 10 from Paraguay and 10 from Uruguay. They will have the same structure and methodology than the two recent successful experiences carried out by IPS in Colombia and Panamá, with journalists from Andean countries and Central America.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The target groups of the projected action include: community, local and provincial media from the countries in which it shall be developed, and its journalists, who shall be able to perform a better work, be more competitive and inform to their audiences more deeply and accurately. The women will find in the contents of the project a driving force for their participation and empowerment.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

To collaborate with the consolidation and development of community, local, and provincial media (print media, radios, TV and websites) in Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

This initiative shall allow the updating and specialisation of journalists, generating conditions for a better present and future work.

The networking of the different communication means in the concerned regions shall contribute to their strengthening, to a better communication and exchange of experiences and to mutual enrichment through the information provided by each media.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

To carry out the project, we shall need:

- 2 journalists (coordination, stories editing, layout, communication with the media network);
- An office with computers, telephone and Internet access, to coordinate the work and process the materials (provided by IPS);
- Journalistic materials originated in Latin America and worldwide (provided by IPS);
- Journalistic materials on the MDG in the areas involved in the project;
- Distribution within Latin America of materials produced in areas involved in the project (provided by IPS);
- Journalistic materials originated in the local media included in the network;
- Venue and equipment for the training workshops; trainers; transport and accommodation for participating journalists.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- Development and maintenance of a network including 120-150 local, provincial or community media from Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay;
- Weekly distribution in the network of materials produced by media members;
- Weekly distribution in the network of a selection of Latin American reports produced by IPS, related to the MDG:
- Production of 6 special reports on the MDG per month (total of 72 per year);
- Distribution through IPS Latin American network;
- Carrying out of two training workshops for a total of 40 journalists from secondary cities and countryside media (20 from Argentina, 10 from Paraguay and 10 from Uruguay).

7. ACTIVITIES

- Appointment of a coordinator;
- Establishment of contacts with the media in the involved areas, developing of the network;
- Identification of contributors in involved areas;
- Development of a reports' guideline, and commissioning of the works;
- Editing and distribution of reports to the IPS network;
- Reception of materials submitted by the media members of the network, selection, and weekly distribution to all of them;
- Weekly delivery of a selection of IPS reports related to the MDG to the members of the network:
- Quarterly evaluation of the project progress.

8. WORK PLAN

Activities / Months	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Appointment of a coordinator												
Contact with media, development of the network												
Identification of contributors												
Report's guideline and commissioning the stories												
Editing and distribution												
Reception of stories and distribution to the network									L _			
Distribution of IPS reports to the network												
Evaluation of the project progress												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The project shall be implemented by IPS Inter Press Service Latin America News Agency, that has in Montevideo its regional editorial desk, IT and communications equipment suitable for the coordination of the activities.

The project coordinator shall be responsible for the development of the network of media from the involved areas, the appointment of the journalists to write the reports, and the elaboration of the editorial guidelines. He or she shall also guarantee the translation of these reports into Portuguese, and their distribution to the IPS Latin American network.

The coordinator shall also be responsible of maintaining the relationship with the media network, and shall receive and select its materials for their weekly distribution. Furthermore, he or she shall guarantee the distribution to the network of a weekly information package on the MDG, produced by IPS journalists.

The project coordinator shall report to the IPS Latin American Regional Director, who will be responsible for the control and follow-up of the project progress and the foreseen quarterly evaluations, along with any person or organisation UNESCO shall design to that end.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The sustainability of this initiative is based on the appropriation, by the local and community media from the areas involved in the project, of the instruments developed. Particularly, IPS plans for the media network to turn into an instrument of networking, exchanging experiences and collective enrichment of the editorial product. It also aims at the professional updating courses and the habit of working on the MDG issues, to allow the coverage to continue and keep improving even after the end of the intervention.

IPS shall look for non-commercial collaboration with the media in the network and ensure the use of its Latin American journalistic materials by these media.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

A joint quarterly evaluation of the project progress is planned by the project's responsible parties and UNESCO.

12. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The executing agency shall carry out a quarterly progress report, specifying the activities performed and the achievements, as well as the difficulties encountered in the implementation of the project.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

In November 2005, IPS executed a project financed by the UNESCO Office in Montevideo, the purpose of which was to develop an Information Centre around issues related to the Information Society Summit. A series of special reports focused on the main issues discussed in the Summit was added to the general coverage carried out by IPS in relation to the Tunis Summit. A bimonthly electronic newsletter was also added, and a website was developed.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

None.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Coordinator (12 months):	4 800				
Assistant (12 months):					
Production of reports (6 per month \times 12 months):					
2 workshops for journalists (15 / 20 participants each):	12 000				
Monitoring:	1 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>30 200</u>				

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
IPS editorial service for the network members:	10 000
Office and IT equipment (12 months):	3 000
Communications:	1 800
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>14 800</u>

BARBADOS

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION									
1.	TITLE	TRAINING MEDIA PROFESSIONALS IN DIGITAL ARCHIVING AND MANAGEMENT OF MEDIA CONTENT								
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 BAR/01								
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio and television								
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Professional training; promotion of media pluralism								
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National								
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial								
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 166 500								
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 58 500								
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	The Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) and the Barbados Government Information Service (BGIS)								
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	The Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation								
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	The Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation and the Barbados Government Information Service								
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	The Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation and the Barbados Government Information Service								
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU									

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The core of Barbados' media content (audio and video) relating to national memory is housed in the collections of the Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation and the Barbados Government Information Service. At present, the potential of these collections for national development remains unrealised; much of the material is uncatalogued; access is mainly institutional or non-existent due to fragility or rarity. The collections are also threatened by technological obsolescence as well as chemical and physical degradation. The media of the region have a critical role to play in preserving and disseminating the cultures of the region while promoting cultural diversity and integration in the Caribbean.

In recognition of this, Caribbean media are placing increasing emphasis on indigenous programming, the content of which would be drawn from the audiovisual collections of the region. Consequently, this project seeks to train media professional s and workers to preserve and conserve invaluable elements of Barbados' cultural capital and create the level of interconnectivity that would make this information available to the widest possible user base. This is to be achieved at two levels: through the development of indigenous programmes and the creation of the prototype of a national electronic databank of existing image and sound formats that are of national and regional significance. To that end, provision will be made to include the audiovisual collections of other culture-based organisations.

In this age of globalisation, it is critical to reaffirm and celebrate our Caribbean cultural identity and preserve it in forms that are technologically compliant with and accessible through the mass media, and to share these cultural treasures in a way that is only achievable through mass media

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries of this project are the media professionals and workers employed in all forms of electronic media. Approximately 30 persons of the above categories shall receive training as proposed. The secondary beneficiaries shall be the general public as well as students, researchers, the government, the NGOs and IGOs. The participating institutions will also benefit from skills training, institutional strengthening and capacity building that would be designed to broaden their appreciation of the need for media pluralism.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- ➤ To promote the creation and broadcast of indigenous programming through training of 30 media professional and workers in digital archiving and management of media content over a one-year period;
- ➤ To purchase video, audio and ICT equipment to support conservation, content management, digitisation and access, so as to increase by 25% the amount of local content broadcast by CBC and the BGIS.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To make the audiovisual heritage of Barbados freely accessible for the creation of indigenous programmes that reflect the cultural diversity of Caribbean peoples and promote development through the advancement of the cultural industries.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- Specialists to conduct needs assessments;
- > Specialists to train staff in techniques of conservation, systems management, intellectual property issues and data entry;
- ➤ Archival storage containers;
- > Professional film, video and audio equipment;
- > Computer hardware and software, and telecommunications infrastructure;
- Project coordination and follow-up activities.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- A prototype of a national electronic audiovisual databank;
- ➤ 30 media professionals and workers would be trained in conservation, preservation of audiovisual materials; staff will be trained in data entry and systems management;
- The most endangered items in the two collections would be digitised;
- ➤ Increased levels of indigenous programming and access to nation's audio visual heritage:
- > Improved management of the audio visual collections;
- User and systems manuals.

7. ACTIVITIES

The project activities are scheduled for twelve months.

- ➤ Conduct needs assessments of the status and condition of the collections in CBC and BGIS;
- Local training in techniques of remedial conservation, systems operations and data entry; a maximum of 3 trainers shall be required to conduct 4 workshops of one week each;
- ➤ Identification and purchase of equipment;
- ➤ Plan, select and implement a database and network system; develop prototype;
- > Data entry;
- > Plan and implement conservation and digitisation programmes;
- > Post-implementation testing, review and evaluation of the data network;
- > Project evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Needs assessments												
Training												
Acquisition of equipment, software, and hardware												

Plan, develop and implement database application						
Data entry						
Conservation and digitisation						
Test, review and evaluate data files						
Evaluation						

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

This project is the initial stage of a long-term collaboration between the two government-owned agencies responsible for the production, collection, preservation and access to the national memory recorded as sound and images. But media professionals and workers in Barbados have fallen behind with keeping abreast of technological advances, due to the prohibitive cost of media technology in an industry that is constantly evolving. More training, transferral of skills and access to knowledge are imperative if the concept of media pluralism is to be a fundamental principle in assuring the widest possible dissemination of information throughout the society.

<u>The Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation's</u> collection consists of over 400 hours of film, 20 000 video recordings, about 15 000 audio recordings and approximately 300 photographic prints of historic views of Barbados.

The collection of the Barbados Government Information Service consists of audio recordings of interviews and speeches of local personalities and statements by government officials, the films produced for the Government's Public Education Programme on topics including housing, agriculture, education, health and government work programmes as well as materials relating to the West Indies Federation, and to the inventory of the Mobile Cinema, a public education tool used before the advent of television in Barbados.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The skills and knowledge gained from this project will not only sustain the operations of the participants, but has the potential to be shared with other media and cultural organisations throughout the Caribbean, so that they too can optimise their audio visual heritage for the public good.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

We recommend that the Barbados National Commission for UNESCO be in charge of monitoring this project.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Evaluations shall be carried out at the end of the scheduled time allocated for each activity, and upon the termination of the project.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/8BAR/01 350-BAR-81	25,000	Barbados	1987 -1989
		Upgrading TV facilities of the Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation	
PDC/16BAR/01 352-BAR-61	56,000	Strengthening the radio production capability of Barbados Radio-diffusion Service Ltd.	1996-1997
	47-	Total Barbados: US\$ 81,000	-

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Meetings to determine the most vulnerable items in the collections;
- General audit to ascertain the existing database applications being used by each participating institution.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Equipment, communications infrastructure, ICT support, personnel, workspace, source documents, as well as local knowledge and expertise.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

Institutions such as the United States Information Service, the Organisation of American States and the *Frederich Ebert Stiftung* Foundation will be approached for additional funding.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)						
2 U-Matic recorders:	15 000					
Betacam recorder:	9 000					
DVC Pro recorder:	5 000					
High-definition scanner:						
AV archive server and backup:						
2 flat-bed film scanners:						
16mm film projector and accessories:	2 000					
Consultant AV archivist (honoraria, per diem and travel):	5 000					
4 training workshops:	12 000					
Monitoring::	1 000					
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>58 500</u>					

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
CBC AND BGIS personnel and expertise:	50 000	
Coordinator:	15 000	
Workspace and overheads:	15 000	
Training materials:	1 000	
Additional equipment:	20 000	
Accommodation:	6 000	
Monitoring and evaluation:	1 000	
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>108 000</u>	

BOLIVIA

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION		
1.	TITLE	TRAINING OF RADIO REPORTERS FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 BOL/01
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio broadcasting
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Freedom of expression; Human resources development; Strengthening of community media
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 22 300
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 18 000
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Casa de la Mujer, Santa Cruz
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Casa de la Mujer
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Santa Cruz
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Miriam Suarez, Executive Director, Casa de la Mujer, Santa Cruz
DECISION OF THE BUREAU		

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Casa de la Mujer (House of the Woman) is an institution that protects human rights. Its mission is to contribute to building a society that replaces violence and intolerance with peace and mutual understanding. Violence against women goes beyond culture, class, kinship and age. A research conducted by Casa de la Mujer concluded that violence occurs within every social setting regardless of sex and age. It is also important to point out that violence is much greater in the urban peripheries. This research also confirmed that when children witness their parents' violence, they are prone to react violently in their own relationships.

In Bolivia, 70% of the women are subject to domestic violence. Since many of these battered women are mothers themselves, children at home also experience psychological violence (sometimes accompanied by physical violence). It is a community's need that social institutions not only work on preventing domestic violence, but also act on stopping the violence cycle. To this end, it is essential to educate the children raised in these families about non-violent solutions.

The mission of *Casa de la Mujer*'s *Radio Alternativa* is to turn radio broadcasting into an empowering instrument for minorities, especially women, to reach the benefits of development and ensure the exercise of their human rights. In order to reach a wider audience, this project involves two other organisations: the journalists' network *Red ADA* and *CIPCA*.

Red ADA is a radio journalists' network with emphasis on gender issues. It is a nationwide network that specifically targets small radio stations, which are predominant in the poorest and most isolated regions of the country; it would broadcast the messages denouncing and fighting against domestic violence.

The Centre for Research and Promotion of Peasants and Farmers, CIPCA (Centro de Investigacion y de Promoción del Campesinado) works for the strengthening of rural organisations (indigenous, farmers and settlers). Despite the fact that it does not own a broadcasting station, it would buy spaces to broadcast towards the rural areas.

It is to be mentioned that CIPCA and Radio Alternativa are part of a virtual broadcast network called "Ondas Libres" (Free Waves) that shares information through the Web as an Internet radio station.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries of the project are women leaders of grassroots organisations in the 15 municipal districts of the city of Santa Cruz and bordering municipalities. These women will be the 'popular reporters' and will directly receive a specialised training.

The other two beneficiary groups will be the women who suffer interfamilial violence and the audience of *Radio Alternativa* who will listen to the popular reporters' reports.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

➤ To create a network of popular reporters that will facilitate the promotion of awareness campaigns, in coordination with private and public organisations and institutions of each sector. These campaigns would make legal advice available and encourage victims to report domestic violence.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To contribute to the construction of a culture of non-violence that promotes respect for diversity without discrimination of any type and contributes to the prevention and eradication of domestic violence.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

Equipment:

18 tape recorders for the reporters; 240 cassettes; 20 minidisks.

<u>Human resources</u> (full-time):

Coordinator; lawyer (facilitator).

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 18 women leaders of grassroots organisations would be trained in the production and editing of radio programmes and, as popular reporters, they would be sensitive to gender equity and to the issues of interfamilial violence:
- ➤ 40 radio programmes and 18 educational messages would be produced and broadcast, covering the issues of interfamilial violence, the promotion and defence of human rights and democracy;
- ➤ 36 workshops developed with women and men of the districts and municipalities (720 persons altogether).

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ To develop a permanent process of training and awareness for the popular reporters covering domestic violence, through coordination meetings with grassroots organisations and public (municipal) / private organisations;
- ➤ To organise two workshops with women and men of each of the popular reporters' work areas on the law against domestic violence (20 pers. each: 720 altogether). To hold a workshop with a focal group in order to gather testimonies about the situation of violence in which women live;
- ➤ To produce forty 30-min radio programmes (in various broadcasting formats) that would be broadcast by *Radio Alternativa* during the 12 months of the project duration. They would also be run twice a week through *Radio Alternativa*, *Red ADA* and *Red Ondas Libres*. "Casa de la Mujer" broadcasts wedges and programmes through the network www.ondaslibres.com.bo.

After two biannual evaluations, systematisation will result in a practice manual for the popular reporters. It will contain two sections; one dealing with the prevention of violence and the other detailing the application of a communication protocol to a concrete issue.

8. WORK PLAN

ACTIVITIES	Months											
ACTIVITIES		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Visit the grassroots organisations of the municipal districts of Santa												
Cruz and of the bordering municipalities to identify the 'popular												
reporters'.												
Organise radio training for the women chosen as popular reporters.												
5 workshops on awareness raising and training of the popular reporters												
on domestic violence.												
Coordination meetings with grassroots organisations and public/ private												
organisations.												
Writing of the radio programmes and educational messages.												
Edit the interviews and testimonies.												
Broadcasting of the radio programmes and educational messages												
2 workshops with women and men of each of the popular reporters'												
work zones about the law against domestic violence.												
Workshop with a focal group in order to gather testimonies.												
Visits to the radio stations in the city and the municipalities												
in order to bear witness about domestic violence.												
2 evaluation workshops												
Systematisation of procedures and preparation of a manual for the												
popular reporters.												
Final report.												

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

Casa de la Mujer's main tool is Radio Alternativa; likewise, Red ADA, Red Ondas Libres and CIPCA also make use of radio broadcasting to serve their communities.

A communication specialist will have the overall responsibility of the project and will be in charge of programme production. This person will work in collaboration with a lawyer.

The selection of the popular reporters will be made in two ways: by direct invitation to women that have an outstanding position in institutions and seem capable of undertaking the reporter's tasks; by the means of visits to grassroots organisations in order to receive recommendations for applicants.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The "House of the Woman" has firm relations with authorities of the State, such as the Technical Judicial Police, the District Attorney's office of the District and other private institutions, with which it develops actions towards the full exercise of the rights of women

A fundamental aspect of the continuity of this process will be the permanent functioning of the Legal Integral Municipal Services. This implies that the municipal authorities should consider domestic violence as a problem of public health, and consequently allocate a budget for its eradication; we will try to give the first impulse in the matter.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

A member of the organisation could be assigned by UNESCO to monitor the project progress.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

This project is the result of research and personal testimony of hundreds of women victims of violence. *Casa de la Mujer* alone received more than 6000 domestic violence complaints. In the city of Santa Cruz, 49 women died as a result of domestic violence during the past two years.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/5BOL/01 350-BOL-51 350-BOL-81	55,000 25,000	Bolivia	1985 -1988
		Co-operation Multi-Media Centre	
PDC/7BOL/01 350-BOL-71 350-BOL-82	30,000 10,000	Training in broadcasting (SECRAD)	1986 -1991
PDC/8BOL/01 350-BOL-83	30,000	Support for popular and educational radio	1988 -1990
PDC/12BOL/01 352-BOL-21	48,000	Popular mobile video library	1992 -1994
PDC/13BOL/01 352-BOL-01	43,000	Technical equipment for the FIDES News Agency	1993 -1994
PDC/18BOL/01 352-BOL-81	30,000	Aid for the development and improvement of rural radio stations	1998 -1999
PDC/21 BOL/01 353-BOL-5011	20,000	Strengthening of education Radiofonica de Bolivia (ERBOL)	2003 -2004
PDC/23 BOL/01 548-BOL-5000 (FIT - Luxembourg)	31,000	Development of a mobile training unit for rural community television centres	2004-2005
	•	Total Bolivia: US\$ 291,000 + US\$ 31,000 (Fund-in-trust)	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

The project has been designed in consultation with women and organisation leaders, including the municipalities of La Guardia, El Torno, Porongo and the municipal districts 6, 7 and 8, three zones quite representative of the city of Santa Cruz.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

US\$ 3 300.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

None.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Coordinator/communicator/administrator (one year):	5 000
Lawyer / Facilitator (one year):	4 500
18 tape recorders:	1 080
20 cassettes:	200
20 mini discs:	100
150 blank CDs:	70
Accessories (batteries, phone cards):	400
Workshop / office materials:	240
Design and printing of pamphlets (1000):	250
Manual for the reporters (500):	750
Broadcasting of 40 radio programmes:	840
Production and broadcasting of 18 educational messages:	2 700
41 workshops/meetings:	400
Communications etc.:	470
Monitoring:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>18 000</u>

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Broadcasting of 40 radio programmes:	360
Transportation/fuel:	1 000
Production and broadcasting of 18 educational messages:	1 140
Running expenses (electricity, water):	600
Office space:	1 200
<u>TOTAL</u> :	4 300

BRAZIL

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	DIGITAL INFORMATION NUCLEUSES FOR COMMUNITY TELEVISION						
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 BRA /01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Television						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Community media; Freedom of expression; Freedom of the press; Youth training; Strengthening communication networks						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 66 700						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 27 000						
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Association of User Entities of the Community Channel in Florianópolis – TV FLORIPA						
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	TV FLORIPA						
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Florianópolis, Santa Catarina						
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	TV FLORIPA and UNESCO Office, Brasilia						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

In 1995, the possibility of improving the plurality of television access opened up with the implementation of the "Cable Law", permitting non-profit making civil society entities to take on channels for community television.

Established in December 1997, TV Floripa is the only community television station in the State of Santa Catarina. It reaches 28 000 points in the municipality of Florianópolis, corresponding to more than 95 000 viewers. The station has a good perspective ongoing negotiation with the *TVA* operator for the introduction of its channel into the operator's network, adding some 31 600 viewers.

The main problem faced by TV Floripa is the lack of human and technical resources to produce content and include communities in the television process. It was only in 2005 that it managed to bring together a larger number of volunteers to begin the elaboration of projects so as to make the TV viable, with transparent and secured financial resources, independent from government and market pressure.

In this scenario, TV Floripa proposes the *Núcleo de Informação* (Information Nucleus) project, which aims at training young people in the community for the production of digital content for broadcast. The workshops will offer training in the capture and editing of images, and in the basic know-how to format cultural documentary films and news of interest for the community. The material produced will be presented publicly in the community and will be part of the station's journalism on an ongoing basis.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The first beneficiaries are 40 young people who live in the community of Ribeirão da Ilha, on the island of Santa Catarina, where some 25 000 people live. They will be selected from low-budget families and according to their interest in the matter, following interviews with the journalism instructor.

The training of the young people for the digital information production process will contribute to a critical awareness of the role that their community plays through access to technology. As a result, the communities would identify themselves through voice and image giving information about the region, besides registering its cultural legacy.

The community will keep in permanent contact with the activities of the project and with the final products of the workshops on the occasion of public presentations, as well as with the viewers of the community channel, which reaches a public of more than 100 000 people.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To train 40 young people in the Ribeirão da Ilha community in Florianópolis, for the production of digital information to strengthen the human resources of the station.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

- ➤ To increase income-generating capacities through the mastery of audiovisual technologies, improving the conditions likely to incite the young people to remain in their own communities;
- > To develop critical sense, community organisation and the practice of citizenship.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

Training:

- ➤ Journalism instructor, workshop instructor and monitors;
- > 8-month training and production in workshops;
- Pedagogic material and consumables;
- ➤ Connection to wide-band, maintenance and accessories.

Equipment:

➤ Video equipment: Mini-DV camcorder, microphones, tripod, lighting equipment and accessories; editing unit; desktop computer, printer and accessories; multimedia projector, projection screen, loudspeakers and accessories.

Monitoring and evaluation.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- Training of 40 young people in the operation of digital video and news gathering;
- ➤ Creation of the Information Nucleus, equipped with a digital camera and a video editing module;
- Exchange of information and cultural programmes through the communities' correspondents;
- ➤ Publication of a DVD with a selection of the best programmes produced by the workshops.

7. ACTIVITIES

- Planning and implementation of the project;
- > Research and acquisition of the equipment;
- Advertising the workshops and enrolments;
- > Development of the workshops on digital information technologies and journalism;
- ➤ Dissemination of the workshops' productions through the community news broadcasts of TV Floripa and within the community through projections on a wide screen;
- Monitoring of the project's activities;
- > Project evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

Months 1-4: Research and acquisition of equipment; planning and implementation.

Months 5-6: Advertising and enrolment for the workshops.

Months 5-12: Organisation of workshops and production of audiovisual material; transmission

of the productions in the TV newscast and exchange of workshop teaching

materials within the community.

Months 1-12: Monitoring. Months 4, 8, 12: Evaluations.

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

TV Floripa has been on the air since December 1997, cultivating citizenship, with emphasis on environmental, health, culture and educational issues. It is a non-profit making institution seen as a Municipal Public Utility since December 2000 and State since May 2004.

The project will count upon a massive advertising campaign from the station (1 080 institutional commercials of 60 sec. each) for an efficient communication on the activities and presentation of the materials developed during the workshops, so that other communities can participate in the project at a later date.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The Information Nucleus' project is a part of the bigger project, TV Floripa. The community TV is maintained by a group of members (trade unions, community associations and other NGOs) that contribute monthly to pay for its operations, by outsourced TV programmes and by cultural sponsors.

Training community journalists adds value to the TV Floripa Project, encouraging other partnerships that allow the development of permanent workshops in this community – and in others as well – attracting new partners and providing a positive response to the members that contribute to its operations.

With the advent of these technologies, there will be more possibilities to establish new partners in their own community so as to respond to the demand of institutions, training, commerce, services and leisure.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The station's central nucleus will hold two weekly meetings with the journalism and workshop instructors to monitor the development of the activities proposed in each workshop.

The instructor journalist will evaluate the instructor's pedagogical behaviour, and the teaching / learning relationship with the trainees, besides participating in the public sessions offered to the community to present the materials produced.

The station remains at the disposal of any organisation indicated by UNESCO to monitor the project's activities.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The monitoring performed by the journalism instructor will be reported to the central nucleus and will be a part of the evaluations carried out every four months.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

TV Floripa commits itself to reporting the progress of the project every four months, in accordance with UNESCO's requirements.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/7BRA/02 350-BRA-71 350-BRA-81	30,000 30,000	Brazil	1987 -1990
330-BRA-81		Preservation of film heritage	
PDC/8BRA/01 350-BRA-82	40,000	Art for children	1988 -1990
PDC/9BRA/01 350-BRA-91	20,000	Promotion and popular production of video in Brazil	1989 -1990
PDC/14BRA/01 352-BRA-41	32,000	Media courses to train women in environmental protection	1994 -1997
PDC/19BRA/01 352-BRA-91	40,000	Audiovisual production and training centre for the development of citizenship	1999 -2002
PDC/23 BRA/01 354-BRA5031	20,000	Strengthening women's leadership role in community development through Radio Internet	2004-2005
PDC/24 BRA/01 354-BRA-5032	25,000	Brazilian Network for Press Freedom	2004-2005
PDC/48 BRA/01 354-BRA-5041	16,000	WOAV – Prevention of women's participation in organized armed violence	2005-2006
PDC/49 BRA/01 354-BRA-5051	15,000	DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY TELEVISION IN RIO DE JANEIRO	Canceled
	II.	Total Brazil: US\$ 272,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

We consider as preparatory the initiatives taken by the station in the production of the community news broadcast.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

TV Floripa will remain responsible for the production costs of the newscasts in which the materials produced by the information nucleus in the community will be included, and of the expenses described in the budget of the beneficiary agency's contribution (D-2).

Assistance sought other than IPDC

None.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Journalism instructor (one year):	5 760				
Manager (one year):	3 840				
JVC video camera:	1 650				
Camera tripod:	188				
Lapel microphone:	194				
Shure omnidirectional microphone:	78				
3 lighting units:	251				
Portable lighting unit:	174				
3 light tripods:	340				
Desktop computer; sound system, 17" monitor, video and audio editing software:	2 400				
Video projector:	1810				
Consumables (blank discs, tapes, mini DV etc.):	900				
Workshop instructor (one year):	4 320				
Trainee for the central station (one year):	1 680				
Trainee for the community (one year):	1 200				
Production of training materials:	400				
Transportation (instructors and trainees):	1 815				
Monitoring:	1 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>27 000</u>				

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Production of advertising material:	2 500
Broadcasting of 1080 institutional shorts (60 sec. each):	22 600
Translations:	800
Rent and maintenance costs of the central station:	8 200
Journalism coordination / project director:	5 600
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>39 700</u>

CHILE

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION						
1.	TITLE	JOURNALISM TRAINING IN PUBLIC POLICIES TO OVERCOME POVERTY ISSUES					
2.	NUMBER						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	All media					
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resource development					
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National					
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial					
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 30 000					
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 23 000					
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Chilean journalists and journalism students					
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	The Foundation to Overcome Poverty (FOP) and the Chile University					
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Santiago					
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Catarina Litttin Menz, FOP Communication Director					
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU						

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

This project aims at contributing to the elaboration of high-quality journalistic information concerning social policies and the reality of the fight against poverty. A research has evidenced a lack of specific knowledge on these topics by the journalists and publishers, which shows incomplete information on the issues of poverty, which does not correspond to the real situation. This can be seen through the serious social disintegration that affects the country and the alarming social inequality statistics, which are hidden behind the official figures claiming an important decrease of people who live in a situation of poverty.

Since the '90s, poverty has dropped from 40% to less than 20%. However, the conditions in which a person lived in poverty in the '90s are different from the situation today. For example it is to be pointed out that people who live today in a poverty situation in Chile can read, have a shelter, a greater life expectancy, but a low and fluctuating income. This very complex reality is difficult to reflect and report in the medias, a situation that does not allow to help to alleviate poverty and social inequalities.

With this project, we propose to provide a permanent update to journalists who cover the topics of poverty, inequalities and social exclusion. This way, we will generate specialised channels on these subjects, that will be turned into qualified, relevant and truthful information allowing the people to be better informed about the country's realities.

In order to carry out these activities, we intend to establish agreements with the national and regional mass media, so that a selected group of journalists and the publishers of each media are trained in that problematic.

We will also produce monthly analyses of the topics related to poverty, in order to maintain these groups informed about the government initiatives on the subject. Training materials will be elaborated to support the workshops: official statistics, glossaries, information about experts on poverty, etc. Finally, we will organise courses for the journalism sectors of the main Universities of the country.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries are journalists, publishers and students of journalism.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

To organise workshops on journalism, poverty and social exclusion, in the journalism section of the main universities of the country.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To provide a comprehensive knowledge of poverty issues to the target groups, so as to allow a better coverage of the subject, closer to reality, and an increased presence in the media. This way, the population will be better informed about the reality of poverty and inequalities in the country. This will impact on the freedom of information and of the press.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

➤ Basic multimedia equipment for the workshops (see Budget, Section 1);

- > Training materials for the workshops and forums;
- ➤ Organisation of workshops for local journalists of all media, dealing with poverty and social Chilean inequalities; diagnosis of possible social evolution of poverty up to 2010;
- Forums for local journalists and university students on "The role of the Chilean media in poverty alleviation"

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- > 75-100 journalists will be trained;
- ➤ 60 journalist students will participate in courses related to poverty issues;
- Elaboration of a training manual for the journalists.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Meetings with the main mass media managers in order to introduce them to this project, and obtain their formal agreement for the training and updating of their editors and journalists on the situation and prospects related to poverty;
- > Signing of the participation agreements;
- Editors, publishers and journalists are selected to participate in the first training courses;
- ➤ 2 courses for journalism students on journalism and poverty;
- Written monthly updates for the participants;
- > Final annual meetings with each group;
- > Final annual meetings with mass media practitioners;
- Final report.

8. WORK PLAN

Activities / months	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
First meetings												
Signing of the agreements												
Organisation of groups												
2 first workshops												
13 regional workshops												
2 university courses												
Production of updated information for the workshops												
Delivery to participants of daily summaries dealing												
with poverty and social inequalities												
Delivery to participants of weekly summaries dealing												
with poverty and social inequalities												
Delivery to participants of monthly summaries on												
poverty and social inequalities with the Congress												
agenda.												
Final meeting with mass-media managers												
Final meeting with journalists												
Draft of final report												
Delivery of final report												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The project will be implemented by two recognised institutions, which have a wide experience in this field: the Foundation to Overcome Poverty (FOP), an important and renowned organisation, is a reference on subjects related to poverty in Chile; it carries out investigations on the subject with a team of experts; the other institution, *Universidad de Chile*, has one of the best schools of journalism in the country, with researcher teams specialised in media and strategic communication analysis. We plan to invite other local institutions to our workshops for their expertise in regional diagnosis.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The first stage of the project should generate the need for the medias to participate in this type of workshops. Once approved, the institutions will have gathered an amount of professional knowledge allowing continuing with new workshops; they will negotiate private contributions to cover operational expenses.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The Foundation to Overcome Poverty will be responsible for the supervision of the project. A professional organisation could be assigned by UNESCO to monitor the project progress.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The Foundation will maintain ongoing monitoring of the project development and will provide all requested reports to UNESCO.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/8CHI/01 350-CHI-81	25,000	Chili	1988 –1991
		Study on reading habits and interests	
PDC/13CHI/01 352-CHI-31	40,000	Training instructors for media education (Television)	1993 -1995
PDC/16CHI/01 352-CHI-61 352-CHI-71	24,000 12,000	Production of educational material for active television viewing	1996 -1998
PDC/21 CHI/01 353-CHI-5011	25,000	Radio broadcasting service for the development of the Easter Island (Rapa Nui)	2003 -2004
		Total Chili: US\$ 126,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

The Foundation to Overcome Poverty has already conducted investigations on poverty issues, with 3 publications to date.

This year, FOP organises a regional and national research on written press with *Universidad de Chile*, with courses on "*Journalism and Poverty*". FOP will also create and deliver a Prize to a journalist for the best coverage of poverty issues.

FOP will publish a survey conducted by journalists from the whole country, dealing with their perception of poverty in Chile.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

FOP will contact other local institutions for assistance.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Coordinator assistant (12 months part-time):	2 245
Teachers fees:	2 800
Updating and maintenance of website:	1 855
2 meetings with media directors (rental of facilities, coffee breaks):	561
15 meetings with editors and journalists (rental of facilities, coffee breaks):	2 803
Recording of the workshops proceedings:	564
Technical consultant for the working documents and the manual:	561
Design and printing:	3 738
Multimedia equipment: Notebook, Data show, portable screen, recorder, cassettes:	3 128
Project evaluation (survey and analysis):	2 805
Focus groups:	940
Monitoring:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>23 000</u>

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Project coordinator:	5 000
Administrative expenses:	3 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	8 000

COLOMBIA

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION								
1.	TITLE	COMMUNICATION FOR RECONCILIATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS						
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 COL/01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community radio						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Promotion of freedom of expression and of the media						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 71 350						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 28 850						
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Radio stations and communication organisations of Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá						
10	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Centro de Investigación y Educación Popular (CINEP)						
11 ·	PROJECT LOCATION	The provinces of Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá						
12	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Camilo Tamayo y Rocío Castañeda C., CINEP Researchers						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

B. PRESENTATION

1. <u>BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION</u>

This project is to be implemented in two regions afflicted by a high rate of armed conflict (Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá); this makes them a stake in communication for tolerance and reconciliation. Another point is the need to create and develop free and responsible journalism, and to improve the training of regional and local journalists on the matters of violence. Citizen radios have been installed in areas selected so as to amplify local and regional public audience. Thanks to community radios, there is now a greater recognition of public issues, and public debate has been promoted. In 2000, the Ministry of Culture of Colombia declared that the citizen and community radios were a "cultural expression of Colombian nationality".

Although the importance of community radios has been gaining attention at the local and regional levels, one cannot deny that their role is still weak compared to crucial problems concerning the population's well being, such as the armed conflict situation, the search for peace, striving for human rights etc. These issues are not prioritised in these medias, due to insufficient levels of protection and security.

This has at least two clear consequences in addressing the public opinion. First, the issues of peace and development at the local and regional levels are not being discussed or analysed. Second, the stories and speeches of the social activists that do search for peace solutions and strive for human rights are not gaining attention in the local and regional public spheres.

There is a great need to guarantee better ways of informing the public, and this is where community radios can be extremely effective. What this project proposes is a training for the community and citizen radios, in the sub-region of Eastern Antioquía and in two villages in Caquetá, considering the social processes that are taking place in these regions to address two essential elements for the construction of a sustainable peace: the promotion and defence of human rights and the development of reconciliation processes.

This training will be organised in two ways: the training of the audiovisual production personnel of the radio stations, addressing the issues of human rights and reconciliation, and the collaboration of social organisations and local communities with the radio stations, so that the issues really come *from* the communities, and thus respond to their need of information.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The beneficiaries of the project will be 11 community and citizen radio stations, the communication organisations of 11 villages and the population of two regions of the country affected by the armed conflict. The first area of activity with concern the sub-region of Eastern Antioquía, the second one will include two villages in the province of Caquetá.

Each radio station would work with two journalists associated with the organisation. In Caquetá, the activities will be performed by the Andaqui Communication Centre, and specifically with four journalists associated to the Centre. Five persons from each communication organisation will be responsible for the supervision of the project. The CINEP (*Centro de Investigación y Educación Popular*) has been working for more than five years with these social actors, which guarantees their involvement in the project.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

Building of the capacities of the radio stations in Eastern Antioquía and community organisations in the province of Caquetá, so as to actively participate in the process of communication for reconciliation and human rights.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To involve the radio stations and communication organisations in Eastern Antioquía and community organisations in the province of Caquetá in the processes of human rights and reconciliation that are taking place in each region, so that these stations turn into spaces of reference and meeting for the access to information, debate on these subjects. They will then help to define new stereotypes and social representations of human rights, reconciliation in peace in each community.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Training of the communication organisations in two ways:
 - a) Theoretical bases of human rights and reconciliation;
 - b) Radio production on human rights and reconciliation. This process will be performed through sessions and advising activities with the communication organisations.
- ➤ Optimising the process of audiovisual production with each of the communication organisations in Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá through meetings devised to plan and design audiovisual products and implement tools for the evaluation of the productions.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- > 9 teams working in the radio stations of Eastern Antioquía, informed and sensitive about the process of reconciliation in the region, its causes, actors and results;
- > Two communication organisations in Caquetá will reach consensus with various groups of the population and with the actors of the human rights in the region;
- ➤ The radio stations in Eastern Antioquía will identify and plan specific strategies leading to the process of reconciliation and open a time case for communication policies;
- ➤ The 9 radio stations in Eastern Antioquía will produce 18 radio series and/or audiovisual material about the reconciliation process, involving its actors;
- ➤ The communication organisations in Caquetá will produce 4 audiovisual series in photo animation on the topic of human rights;
- ➤ The radio stations of Eastern Antioquía will organise 9 cultural community events, in order to widely publicise the reconciliation process, such as cinema clubs, meetings with the population, video forums and thematic festivals;
- ➤ The School of audiovisual production in Belén de los Andaquíes will organise a course dedicated to human rights.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Preparing the education programme on human rights and reconciliation for the communication groups in Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá;
- > Strengthening the existing citizen media in these regions of Colombia;
- ➤ Preparing the process with the communication groups and creating work alliances with regional community organisations.

8. WORK PLAN

Month 1: Preparing the education programme on human rights and reconciliation for

the communication groups in Eastern Antioquía and Caquetá;

Months 1 / 2: Preparing the process with the communication groups and creating work

alliances with regional community organisations.

IN EASTERN ANTIOQUÍA

Months 3 / 5: Workshops on human rights and reconciliation for the media of the high

plain sub-region;

Months 4 / 12: Coordination meetings with representatives of women, children and other

community groups for the reflection and agreement on human rights issues, which will provide further material for the production of communication

items;

Months 6 / 7: Workshops on audiovisual production about reconciliation;

Months 7 / 12: Consulting and assistance to the production of radio series and audiovisual

documents that the media will develop with the support of community

groups;

Months 4 / 12: Assistance for actions that will lead to reconciliation in the region.

IN BELÉN DE LOS ANDAQUÍES AND FLORENCIA

Months 3/4: Workshops on human rights and reconciliation for the communication

groups of Belén de los Andaquíes and Florencia;

Months 3 / 5: Coordination meetings with representatives of women, children and other

community groups for the reflection and agreement on human rights issues, which will provide further material for the production of communication

items;

Months 3 / 6: Workshops on audiovisual production of items on human rights;

Months 5 / 12: Assistance to the production of radio series and audiovisual productions

that the media will develop with the support of community groups;

Months 6 / 10: Accompaniment and development of film festivals on the topic of human

rights in Florencia and Belén de los Andaquíes;

Months 3, 6, 9 and 12: Assistance to the implementation of actions leading to reconciliation in the

region.

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

This project will count on the participation of a group of three researchers from CINEP (Research and Popular Education Centre). CINEP is a non-profit organisation working for the construction of the more humane and equal society. Throughout the years, CINEP has conducted important research activities dealing with the problems that affect the Colombian society, such as violence,

sustainable development, national political structures, the civil society constitution, public services and education, as well as the religious and cultural world.

The researchers will be in charge of the coordination and development of all planned activities. Two of them have already been involved in former programmes carried out in the region where the project will be carried out. A third researcher will be hired to strengthen the group; he would be in charge on developing communication items about the process, accompany its management and travel throughout the regions in order to organise the activities of the groups and communities involved. One of the CINEP criteria is the development of work alliances with the local organisations in the regions where the projects take place, so that the activities planned and implemented respond to the expectations of the communities.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The CINEP will:

- Promote actions aiming to integrate the project in the local development plans of each municipality;
- Develop abilities and competences in each one of the community groups of the project, so that they will continue the processes they have already begun;
- Integrate human rights and reconciliation in the work plans of each one of the organisations and local media involved in the initiative;
- Foster the connection of children and youngsters with the communication groups in each one of the regions.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/3COL/21 350-COL-31 350-COL-61	30,000 70,000	Colombia	1982 -1987
330-COL-01	70,000	Book publishing and distribution	
PDC/7COL/01 350-COL-71 350-COL-81	35,000 15,000	Audio-visual unit (UNISUR)	1987 -1990
PDC/8COL/02 350-COL-82	25,000	Establishment of a media unit in the Ministry of National Education with the necessary staff and technical equipment	1988 -1990
PDC/9COL/01 350-COL-91	20,000	Influence of the social communication media on children	1989 -1991
PDC/12COL/01 352-COL-21	98,000	Support via mass communication media to prevent drug-related problems	1992 -1995
PDC/13COL/01 352-COL-31	50,000	Radio Production on Centre for the Colombian Coast	1993 -1996
PDC/15COL/01 352-COL-51	45,000	Comprehensive public information system for the advancement of working women	1995 -1997
PDC/18COL/01 352-COL-81	30,000	Support for local radio stations	1998 -1999
PDC/48 COL/01 354-COL-5041	18,000	Organizational strengthening and coordination with community media in Colombia	2005-2006
		Total Colombia: US\$ 436,000	

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)						
2 project coordinators:	3 258					
Researcher/assistant (10 months):	9 877					
Airfares and trip expenses for the coordinators:	_					
3 × Bogotá – Rionegro – Bogotá:	741					
3 × Bogotá – Florencia – Bogotá:	741					
Accommodation and per diem (Eastern Antioquía, 15 days):	493					
Accommodation and per diem (Caquetá, 15 days):	494					
6 workshops in Eastern Antioquía:	3 333					
6 workshops in Caquetá:	1 115					
Airfares and trip expenses for the researcher/assistant:						
4 × Bogotá – Florencia – Bogotá:	988					
4 × Bogotá – Rionegro – Bogotá:	988					
Accommodation and per diem (Eastern Antioquía, 28 days):	1 316					
Accommodation and per diem (Caquetá, 28 days):						
Development of audiovisual productions						
Production of 18 audiovisual series in Eastern Antioquía:	2 140					
Production of 2 × 4 radio and audiovisual series in Caquetá:	2 050					
<u>TOTAL</u> :	28 850					

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)							
2 project coordinators:	35 382						
Portable computer for radio production:	2 060						
Communications, stationery:	2 058						
Materials for the workshops:	3 000						
TOTAL:	42 500						

COSTA RICA

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	TRAINING IN FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION FOR RURAL JOURNALISTS					
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 COS/01					
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Electronic and print media					
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Freedom of the press					
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National					
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial					
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 51 300					
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 28 100					
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Press and Freedom of Expression Institute (IPLEX)					
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Press and Freedom of Expression Institute					
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Costa Rica					
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Montserrrat SOLANO, Patricia VEGA, Doris GONZÁLEZ					
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU						

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The rural journalists are particularly vulnerable to direct and indirect violations of freedom of expression. Since they practice their profession within small populations, where social relationships are very close, they become more conspicuous, and thus more exposed to the fluctuations of the regional politics. Also, considering they mostly depend on publicity for their operation, their economic precariousness becomes a weakness, which could be exploited for the benefit of institutions or officials seeking to obtain favourable information or to silence criticism.

In Latin America, as pointed out by the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights in its annual reports of 2003 and 2004, the journalists of rural media are the victims of threats, intimidation and blackmail from population sectors involved in the information they handle, and by private and government entities who place advertisements with them, as a means to condition the topics being informed by the media. However, the population is unaware of many of these situations. As a survival mechanism, rural journalists often resort to self-censorship, thus limiting the free debate of ideas and opinions required by a democratic society.

In Costa Rica, multiple cases matching this type of scenario have occurred. Additionally, some violations of free expression may remain concealed when they are not perceived as a problem but rather as the norm.

In the last 5 years, Costa Rica has not made significant progress towards strengthening freedom of expression and facilitating the discussion of problems that might be affecting the full exercise of this right by all citizens. This became evident in 2004, when the Costa Rican State was condemned by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights for having violated the freedom of expression of the journalist Mauricio Herrera Ulloa.

During 2006, two events occurred that reduced freedom of expression in Costa Rica. The first one was a resolution adopted by the Constitutional Court. This resolution ratifies the Printing Law of 1902, a law that punishes by trial misdemeanours against the honour. The second event was the bill of the Law of Freedom of Expression and Press presented in the Parliament, which considerably limits the aforementioned freedom of expression and hinders the practice of journalism.

For 35 years, the rural press has significantly contributed to Costa Rica's information diversity. Despite the economic and technological limitations, its scopes and contents fully meet the specific information needs of rural residents. However, they are often exposed to judicial complaints and threats, which serve as a gag that prevents them from freely exercising their duty to inform.

Within this context, the proposed project intends to identify the problems faced by the regional media, to train journalists who work in rural media, to contribute to improve the current situation and disseminate all necessary information on freedom of expression.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

Targeted groups include the journalists and communication professionals operating in regional media; legally incorporated Indian and community radio stations featuring literacy programmes and local news, and television stations in the provinces and remote regions. Most of these information entities are considered to be small companies, due to the fact that they often operate in their owner's homes, where the journalist is at the same time the photographer, designer, driver and director of the communication company.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- To obtain a diagnosis about the freedom of expression problems that are affecting the journalists of local and rural media in the interior provinces of Costa Rica;
- To train 100 communicators of regional and rural media working outside San José, Costa Rica's capital city.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

By meeting these objectives, we intend to promote and defend the work of rural journalists and communicators in Costa Rica, strengthen freedom of expression and a free democratic debate of local ideas and opinions, thus contributing to the formation of better informed and more participating citizens.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Instructors and consultants:
- > Transportation, accommodation and per diem allowance for instructors and consultants;
- > Renting of equipment and premises required for the training sessions;
- Training material and supplies;
- > Participants' meals and transportation expenses;
- > Preparation of a user-friendly manual or handbook for journalists on freedom of expression;
- > Publication of the handbook.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- A diagnosis on freedom of expression problems in Costa Rica's rural regions;
- ➤ 100 journalists working in Costa Rican rural media trained on freedom of expression and the mechanisms through which they can enforce their rights;
- ➤ A freedom of expression handbook for Costa Rican journalists, validated during the workshops;
- A memoir including the project's development and results.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

Preliminary stage:

- > Drawing up the terms of reference for the selection of the instructors and consultants;
- ➤ Contracting instructors and consultants.

Diagnosis preparation:

- ➤ Preparation for visits to 4 regions of the country (North, North Pacific, South Pacific and the Caribbean), to carry out the diagnosis and to define the logistics for the subsequent tasks;
- Preparation of instruments to collect data;
- ➤ Visits;
- > Writing of diagnosis.

Handbook preparation:

- ➤ Writing up of the handbook based on the information collected during the visits and the diagnosis;
- ➤ Validation of the handbook during the training workshops;

- ➤ Handbook correction;
- Handbook edition and publication.

Training:

- ➤ Organisation of 4 one-day workshops for 25 regional media journalists, in each of the regions previously visited during the preparation of the diagnosis;
- ➤ Holding of workshops.

Final stage:

- > Preparation of the memoir;
- > Elaboration of the final report for UNESCO.

8. WORK PLAN

ACTIVITIES / MONTHS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Preparation of terms of reference for contracting instructors and consultants												
Contracting instructors and consultants												
Preparation of visits												
Preparation of instruments for data												
collection												
Visits												
Diagnosis preparation												
Handbook writing												
Handbook validation												
Handbook correction												
Handbook edition and publication												
Organisation of four workshops												
Workshops												
Memoir preparation												
Writing of final report												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The Association "Press and Freedom of Expression Institute" (IPLEX) was established in June 2005 with the support of UNESCO, as an initiative of a group of distinguished journalists and lawyers who are committed to strengthening freedom of expression and access to information. The Institute also seeks the promotion of an ethical, responsible and independent journalism.

For the present project, we will have the logistical support and power to assemble key agents of the Costa Rican "Alternative and Regional Media Network" (REMAR), which is integrated by 23 regional media (20 newspapers and 3 magazines). This will exert a great impact in raising the awareness of the sector on the importance of becoming trained in Freedom of Expression by participating in the workshops. We also count on the participation of other organised groups, the National Chamber of Radio (CANARA) and the Costa Rican Institute of Radio Learning (ICER), which gathers the cultural radio stations of the country.

The IPLEX will provide administrative support, the project's coordination, dissemination in conjunction with local organisations (such as the Association of Journalists and the networks of regional journalists), as well as offering its members' expertise for the preparation of training programmes.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

Training the social communicators is one of the best means to ensure the training of the communities themselves and to raise the awareness of their local audience regarding the importance of strengthening freedom of expression. At the same time, the availability of handbooks will lead to the undertaking of future training activities in the country.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The Coordinator of the project will account for all actions to the IPLEX Executive Board, will be responsible for maintaining contact with UNESCO and the media associated with the project, as well as preparing progress reports.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

We will use two comprehensive evaluation mechanisms: the first one will validate the handbook during each workshop; the second will be formed by the evaluations of the workshops, where not only the power to assemble agents and logistics will be considered, but where contents, lecturers and dynamics will be also taken into account.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

We will submit a technical and financial progress report of the project every four months, or at any time upon request from the UNESCO Office. Once the project is completed, we will present a final report.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/3COS/22 350-COS-31	40,000	Costa Rica	1983 -1984
		Production of endogenous messages	
PDC/11COS/01 352-COS-11	40,000	Training programme in communication	1992 -1993
PDC/14COS/01 352-COS-41	30,000	Audio-visual production centre of the co-operative movement	1994 -1995
PDC/16COS/01 352-COS-61	40,000	Development of rural radio stations	1996 -1998
PDC/24 COS/01 354-COS-5031	20,000	Strengthening the Indian Community Radio Stations in Costa Rica	2004-2005
		Total Costa Rica: US\$ 170,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

Thanks to the expertise of its members, the IPLEX has proven to have sufficient credibility and power to assemble key Costa Rican agents. This was demonstrated in its first public activity, held on July 28th, 2005: a UNESCO-sponsored seminar on access to information. In just a few months, the IPLEX has received institutional support offered by Costa Rican media; it has been consulted by international and national organisations such as Inter-American Dialogue (based in Washington, D.C.) and by the local office of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). It has also

been invited to participate in international forums on topics related to its objectives. It has received the support of international organisations such as the Inter-American Press Association (IAPA), the Open Society Justice Initiative (OSJI), the Knight Centre for Journalism in the Americas at the University of Texas at Austin, and has already established a contact with the Inter-American Human Rights Commission. Moreover, the IPLEX is meeting a number of members of the Costa Rican Parliament and also the current President Oscar Arias in order to develop proposals about the bill of the Law of Freedom of Expression and Press.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

The Institute expects to continue receiving the support offered by social communication media as institutional support, as well as from other foundations we have contacted.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)						
Consultant for diagnosis preparation:	2 000					
Consultant for handbook preparation:	2 000					
Instructor:	2 700					
Local transportation:	1 200					
Diagnosis visit (per diem for 3 persons × 8 days):	1 800					
Seminar tour (per diem for 3 persons × 10 days):	2 200					
Diagnosis visits (subsistence for 10 persons \times 4 visits):	1 200					
Workshops (subsistence for 25 persons × 4 workshops):	3 000					
Renting of facilities:	1 200					
Renting of equipment:	2 000					
Journalists' transportation:	500					
Preparation of diagram:	1 500					
Printing (500 copies) and distribution:	4 000					
Web design and publication:	800					
Memoir printing and diffusion:	1 000					
Monitoring:	1 000					
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>28 100</u>					

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Project coordinator (half-time, 12 months):	8 400
Instructor San José (2 days):	320
Diagnosis visit (per diem for 3 persons \times 8 days):	880
Seminar tour (per diem for 3 persons \times 10 days):	1 100
Renting of facilities:	800
Renting of equipment:	1 400
Training materials:	1 200
Distribution:	1 100
Administrative expenses and communications:	3 000
Handbook edition:	1 000
Printing (500 copies) and distribution:	1 500
Web design and publication:	1 500
Memoir (diagram preparation and edition):	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>23 200</u>

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION								
1.	TITLE	STRENGTHENING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN RADIO, TV AND SCHOOLS OF JOURNALISM						
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 DOM/01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio and television						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Freedom of expression; Development of human resources						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 96 800						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 30 200						
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance, Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, Santo Domingo						
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance						
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Dominican Republic						
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	María Isabel SOLDEVILA, Director of the UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The Dominican Republic's issues regarding freedom of expression no longer revolve around government censorship. It is of a new kind of restraint that journalists and editors complain about: the "dictatorship" of publicity and of the owners of media enterprises, who are often business people involved in other types of activities at the same time.

In this context, a process of self-censorship has flourished. News gathering and publishing are headed towards a comfortable, "light" vision of reality. Conflict is avoided and good journalism is dying.

Closely related to this problem, is the academic level of journalists and journalism students. Dominicans have profound deficiencies in comprehensive reading and good writing, obstacles that make teaching critical thinking and ethics a difficult task. Besides, the subject of freedom of expression and free access to information is not taught as part of the curricula, even though some universities discuss the topic in workshops and as a part of their other journalism courses.

It is well known that in the Dominican Republic, first television and then radio are the main sources of information for the general public. Also, it has been established that if there is a law that supports journalists in their quest for public information, media workers do not feel empowered and do not even know about their legal rights.

It is urgent to put forward mechanisms to detect these more subtle forms of censorship and self-censorship, and to come up with tools that will help journalists and academics to improve the perception (and the reality) of the media in the Dominican Republic by helping it recover its credibility.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The journalists who work in the radio and television stations of the country, and lecturers in journalism. At least 50% of the participants will be women.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

- ➤ To train 80 journalists in the legal framework that protects and regulates the use of freedom of expression and press in the Dominican Republic, emphasising the special features of television and radio journalism;
- To train 20 lecturers in journalism in teaching the freedom of expression and of the press, and free access to public information.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

By strengthening the knowledge of journalists and lecturers in journalism on press freedom issues and free access to public information, we intend to help practising and future journalists work more freely, thus contributing to the free flow of information.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ Instructors and experts for the workshops and seminars;
- ➤ Conference rooms for the meeting, seminars and workshops;
- Advisers for the production of printed and audiovisual material;
- ➤ Participants' subsistence and transportation expenses;
- > Training material and rental of equipment to carry out the meeting, seminars and workshops;
- ➤ Rental of studios to produce audiovisual materials;
- > Journalists selected from the workshops for the production of radio and TV reports.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- > 3 workshops on freedom of expression and press and free access to public information;
- ➤ 2 intensive workshops on the strengthening and spreading of freedom of expression and press;
- A seminar/meeting attended by the directors of the radios and TV stations of the Dominican Republic;
- A regional seminar for 20 journalists from the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama on "The practice of Journalism and the safety of journalists";
- ➤ 60 journalists trained in the national and international legislation on freedom of expression and of the press;
- ➤ 20 trainers in journalism skilled in the national and international legislation on freedom of expression and the press, and in the proper teaching of the matter;
- ➤ Radio and TV directors from the Dominican Republic being aware of the significance of the freedom of expression and press for practising journalists, and of the importance of free access to public information;
- ➤ 22 radio productions (3-4 minutes each): 12 on the situation of freedom of expression and press, and 10 on free access to public information in the Dominican Republic;
- ➤ 3 TV reports (approximately 7 minutes each) on the situation of freedom of expression and press and free access to public information;
- > Publication of a record of the project.
- ➤ A catalogue of censorship mechanisms and possible solutions;
- Creation of a Media Observatory.

7. ACTIVITIES

- > Selection and contracting of instructors and consultants;
- > Preparation of the training materials for the meeting, seminars and workshops;
- Organisation of the meeting, seminars and workshops;
- ➤ 3 workshops on freedom of expression and press and free access to public information, each attended by 20 practising radio and TV journalists of the Dominican Republic;
- ➤ 2 intensive workshops on the strengthening and spreading of freedom of expression and press, each attended by 10 lecturers from the universities of the Dominican Republic;
- A seminar/meeting attended by the directors of the radios and TV stations of the Dominican Republic, to raise awareness on the freedom of expression and press for practising journalists and on the importance of free access to public information for a proper practice of journalism;

- ➤ A regional seminar (journalists from the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama) on "The practice of Journalism and the safety of journalists";
- ➤ Production and broadcasting on Dominican radio stations of a series of 22 reports (3-4 minutes each): 12 on the situation of freedom of expression and press, and 10 on free access to public information in the Dominican Republic;
- ➤ Production and broadcasting on Dominican TV channels of a series of 3 audiovisual reports (approximately 7 minutes each) on the situation of freedom of expression and press and free access to public information;
- > Printing and distribution of the materials for the meeting, seminars and workshops.
- > Systematisation and publication of the experience;
- The creation of a Media Observatory should come out of the workshops.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity / Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Monitoring and evaluation												
Selection and appointment of trainers and consultants												
Preparation of the materials for the meeting, seminars and workshops												
Meeting of the heads of the radios and televisions of the Dominican Republic												
Regional seminar on "The practice of Journalism and the safety of journalists"												
3 workshops on freedom of expression and free access to public information												
2 intensive workshops on the strengthening and spreading of freedom of expression and press												
Production and broadcasting on the Dominican radios of a series of 22 reports on freedom of expression and information in the Dominican Republic												
Production and broadcasting on the Dominican TV channels of a series of 3 audiovisual reports on freedom of expression and information												
Systematisation and publication of the experience												
First progress report			_									
Second progress report												
Final report												

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

The UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance was established in 2003 at Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra in Santo Domingo. It aims at promoting an integrated system of research, training, information and documentation activities in the field of communication and culture of peace, to facilitate collaboration between high-level, internationally recognised researchers and the teaching staff of the University and other institutions, in the Dominican Republic and abroad.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

As a training project, it will be sustained by the knowledge being transmitted to each of the participants, which will in turn be reflected in their daily work, to the benefit of their audience. We expect this first training experience to serve as a model for the carrying out of new programmes in the future, such as a replica of the workshops as a part of a continuing education programme, and the development of a Media Observatory.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance in the Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra in Santo Domingo will carry out a permanent monitoring. Progress reports will be sent to the UNESCO San José Office.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

We will conduct two evaluation mechanisms: the first one at the end of each seminar and workshop; the other being the final comprehensive report.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The UNESCO Chair in Communication, Democracy and Good Governance in the Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra assumes the responsibility of delivering a report every four months during the first eight months, and a final report at the end of the project's activities.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/13DOM/01 352-DOM-31	50,000	Dominican Republic	1993 -1996
332 2 5 1 1 3 1 3 5 ,000		Assistance to train young people to produce communication for development programme	
PDC/18DOM/01 352-DOM-81	35,000	Strengthen the network of popular development-oriented radio stations	1998 -1999
PDC/49 DOM/01 354-DOM-5051	15,000	STRENGTHENING OF FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	2006-2007
		Total Dominican Republic: US\$ 100,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Programme of exchange with journalism students from Spain and the Dominican Republic organised by the UNESCO Chair and the Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona.
- UNESCO lectures by Fausto Rosario, Editor-in-chief of Clave and Clave Digital, on media in the Dominican Republic, and by José Manuel Pérez Tornero, of UAB. August 2006.
- Presentation of UNESCO's report on Communication and Information in a Society of Knowledge by regional consultant Alejandro Alfonzo.

• Preparation of international book-launch of "*The practice of journalism in the era of information*" by Raúl Fuentes, Ph.D. Both presentations will be held in September.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
3 workshops:	9 000			
2 intensive workshops:				
Seminar/meeting with the Heads of Dominican radio and TV stations:				
Regional seminar on "The practice of journalism and the safety of journalists":				
Publication of the final report:				
Monitoring:				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>30 200</u>			

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
Project coordinator (14 months):				
3 workshops – printing and distribution of the materials:				
2 workshops – printing and distribution of the materials:				
Seminar/meeting with the Heads of Dominican radio and TV stations – printing and distribution of the materials:				
Regional seminar – printing and distribution of the materials:				
Monitoring and evaluation (14 months):				
Production and broadcasting of a series of 22 reports on Dominican radio stations:				
Production and broadcasting of a series of 3 audiovisual reports on Dominican TV channels:				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>66 600</u>			

ECUADOR

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION				
1.	TITLE	WOMEN AND RADIOS ON LINE			
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 ECU/01			
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Popular and educative radios			
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Freedom of expression; Human resource development			
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National			
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial			
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 39 900			
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 23 800			
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Corporación Promoción de la Mujer (CPM) Taller de Comunicación Mujer (TCM)			
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Corporación Promoción de la Mujer Taller de Comunicación Mujer			
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Quito			
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Corporación Promoción de la Mujer Taller de Comunicación Mujer			
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU				

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

This project proposes a creative communication process developed by women, which combines radio and the Internet. To focus the project on women and combine communication technologies is not only a way to utilise new and powerful possibilities in development project on communication, but it also allows dealing with the "androcentric" bias in information and communication processes with unequal access to and knowledge of information technologies. This project will support the radio and its virtual networks by promoting their use in communication processes developed by women, by making their radio productions to be broadcast on the Internet and by giving women the technological tools to make the best use of all the resources available in the Internet.

Consequently, this project will face three vital development problems:

- > Scarce opportunities for free and creative production of women working in radio stations;
- Lack of influence of women to introduce themes of their interest within the radio programmes;
- Need to strengthen the use of networks so that old and new technologies can be put to the service of less audible actors with little access to media.

In this light, the interest of this project is to combine the empowerment of women-producers working on popular and educative radios with the access to new information technologies of communication (ICTs). It aims at producing a series of creative micro-programmes based on the debate and reflection of the history of Women's Rights. The programmes will be spread through the radio networks CORAPE, ALER, AMARC and CONDESAN

A crucial element to achieve this purpose is to qualify women with creative and technological skills. They will enjoy a greater autonomy to produce and to manage their own initiatives in the radios for which they work. Thus, enhancing their professional level through the development of their technical capacities in radio production would also allow for a greater recognition of their abilities. Consequently, this project will promote the empowerment of women in creating new modalities of communication that will contribute to a social dialogue dealing with the issues that will make them more visible

2. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS</u>

- ➤ The immediate beneficiaries of the project will be 20 women producers of rural or urban radios of Ecuador, capable of sharing their acquired knowledge with other people and other radios and networks.
- > The participant's selection will be based on diverse criteria: interest on the initiative and commitment to participate throughout the process; experience and/or capacity to negotiate innovative proposals inside the station; experience and/or interest in radio production; experience and/or willingness to participate in collective projects.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

To ensure the participation of 20 women during 10 months in a process of creative and technical training. The aim is to strengthen their position within the stations, make their work visible and promote the debate of the need of a gender perspective within this communication media.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To promote the democratisation of communication spaces like the radio stations and their networks, as well as an increasing presence of women within them. By offering women new tools for creative production and diffusion, this project will impulse new effective forms of freedom of expression and plurality to various social actors – such as women – and their perspectives.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

A trainer in radio languages and artistic production; a radio technician; a ICTs trainer; a project coordinator; an assistant; equipment and accessories to produce the micro-programmes; a training studio; a recording studio.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 20 women will collectively produce a series of at least 10 radio programmes to be spread in two directions: networks of national and regional radios (CORAPE and ALER SATELITAL) and virtual networks (CORAPE and ALER SATELITAL FTP servers);
- ➤ 20 women able to install a gender perspective in radio productions;
- At least 10 Ecuadorian radio stations belonging to CORAPE networks with the capacity to combine old and new technologies committed to broadcast the radio productions through their networks and servers.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

- > Selection of a group of twenty women from various radio stations;
- ➤ Institutional commitments for the women's participation and the broadcasting of microprogrammes;
- > Gathering of material on the history of women's rights:
- > Training in radio production and ICTs in an intensive process of two 3-day training workshops;
- ➤ Inclusion of the gender issue in the trainings;
- > Production of 10 micro-programmes (8/10 min. each);
- ➤ Collective evaluation of the training and production process;
- ➤ Broadcasting of radio programmes through the CORAPE, AMARC and ALER SATELITAL networks and through the Internet;
- > Systematisation;
- Technical support and monitoring after each training session in order to ensure the sustainability of the project by including women's productions and perspectives in the programmes.

8. WORK PLAN

ACTIVITIES					MON	THS				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Meetings with ALER and CORAPE and mapping of the										
different radios										
Contact with the radios and selection of women to										
participate in the project.										
Validation and adjustment of the training plan with the										
group of women.										
Negotiations with the radios for the broadcasting of										
micro-programmes.										
Compilation for radio programmes										
Meeting: priority subjects, narrative axes of production.										
Radio training										
Training on gender and women's rights										
Training on ICTs and elaboration of collective evaluation										

tools					
Edition and final assembly of the productions.					
Evaluation of the training and of the productions.					
Technical support to the collective of women who are disseminating the radio productions.					
Systematisation					
Final report					

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

CPM/TCM will coordinate the overall activities of the project. The personnel of CPM/TCM will be in charge of drawing up a map of the radio stations and will select a group of 20 women to participate in the project; they will ensure the attendance of these women to the training sessions in Quito, and will be responsible for logistics; they will also negotiate the commitment of the radio stations participating in the project.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The project sustainability is ascertained by the following elements:

- Commitment of the radio stations to continue producing on gender issues and/or from a gender perspective;
- ➤ High quality of the productions that can open further possibilities of women's radio productions.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The evaluation of the project will be collective, carried out by the group of women part of the process and by the experts on radio production and ICTs.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/7ECU/01 350-ECU-71	45,000	Ecuador	1987 -1991
		Distance teaching	
PDC/9ECU/02 350-ECU-91 520-ECU-61 (FIT-France)	30,000 10,170	Programme for the recovery and safeguard of national moving images	1989 -1992
PDC/13ECU/01 352-ECU-31	69,000	Communication policies and strategies for the improvement of basic education	1993 -1995
PDC/15ECU/01 352-ECU-51	45,000	National communication network for culture	1995 -1997
PDC/23 ECU/01 548-ECU-5000 FIT-Luxembourg	31,000	Restructuring of the Radio Station of the Casa de la Cultura Ecuatoriana	2004-2005
PDC/48 ECU/01 354-ECU-5041	18,000	Capacity Strengthening of the community radio "The Voice of Imbabura"	2005-2006
PDC/49 ECU/01 354-ECU-5051	22,000	COMMUNITIARIAN JOURNALIST TRAINING	2006-2007
		Total Ecuador: US\$ 260,000+US\$ 10,000(Funds-in-trust)	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Meetings with directors of ALER to identify the potential participation of a determined number of radio stations;
- Contacts with Jorge Gorostiza, Miguel Saravia and Byron Garzón to discuss the technical questions (training, broadcasting etc.).

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Computer, audio card, audio console, microphone, writing and radio production, promotional documents.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Training and recording studios:	380				
Accessories and expendables:	200				
Coordinator (½ month):	6 000				
Documentation (history of women's rights) and drawing up of map:	2 000				
Broadcasting of 10 micro-programmes:	2 000				
Training in radio production:	3 000				
Training and technical support on sound techniques:	1 000				
Training on ICTs:	2 000				
Transport of participants to Quito:	2 000				
Accommodation for participants and international trainers:	1 810				
Subsistence (5 ½ days for 25 persons):	1 670				
Air transport for production trainer:	740				
Monitoring:	1 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	23 800				

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Use of equipment:	770				
Office space and infrastructure:	730				
Office supplies:	600				
Coordinator (½ month):	6 000				
Assistant (½ month):	4 000				
Accountant (1/3 month):	2 000				
Broadcasting of 10 micro-programmes:	2 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>16 100</u>				

GUATEMALA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	TRAINING OF AUTOCHTHONOUS COMMUNITY JOURNALISTS TO BROADEN MEDIA PARTICIPATION						
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51GUA/01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community radio						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resource development; development of community media; promotion of free expression and media pluralism						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 41 900						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 27 700						
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Ajb'atz Enlace Quiche, Santa Cruz del Quiche						
10	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Ajb'atz Enlace Quiche; Gracias Vida Center of Media training						
11 ·	PROJECT LOCATION	The departments of Quiche, Quetzaltenango and Huehuetenango						
12	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Ajb'atz Enlace Quiche						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Guatemala is a multiethnic, multilingual and multicultural nation that is still emerging from and struggling with the legacy of its 36-year civil war. The inequities and discrimination that helped fuel the repression of the war years still affect the country, particularly in the autochthonous highlands provinces that bore the brunt of the civil conflict. In part as a result, Guatemala suffers from the world's third most unequal distribution of wealth, with poorly developed and underfunded public education, especially in rural, autochthonous areas. Roughly 60 % of Guatemalans are autochthonous, with 24 distinct local languages.

While Guatemala's national media are relatively free in their coverage of issues centred on the capital, the concentration of most print and television programming restricts media pluralism. The *Quetzalteco*, an emerging daily in the highlands capital of Quetzaltenango (circ. 20 000), is the most prominent locally-produced paper in the highlands and employs a large number of autochthonous editors and reporters; its editors plan to broaden its coverage and subscription base to other highlands provinces over the next year.

Local radio network *Emisoras Unidas* plays an influential role in radio news coverage across the country, and increasingly autochthonous journalists are able to report stories of local interest from autochthonous areas, and have their coverage carried nationwide in Spanish through this network. Community radio stations in local languages allow access to media in the 24 autochthonous linguistic communities. By and large, however, autochthonous journalists are underrepresented in the major national media, and many need skills training to be able to move into positions of greater prominence. Overall, media standards in Guatemala are low, and without professional training, the quality of reporting is uneven.

This training project will focus on developing the skills of autochthonous journalists, focused especially on radio and, to a lesser extent, print reporters. As noted above, there are increasing opportunities for autochthonous reporters and editors to access and influence the national Guatemalan media, especially those with solid training in radio and print reporting techniques and in professional journalism practices. While autochthonous Guatemalans comprise many of the reporters in media outlets in the highlands provinces, few have ever had any professional training and many have had limited formal education. Providing practical journalism training through targeted workshops will help autochthonous journalists better represent the interests of their communities in national media.

2. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS</u>

The direct beneficiaries of this training will be 120 journalists from the Mayan highlands provinces. At least 90 % will be residents from one of the country's 24 autochthonous linguistic communities. Recognising that there are relatively few women journalists from these provinces, we intend to recruit at least 20 % women participants. Priority will be given to journalists from provincial and community radio stations that have never received any journalism training. A second priority group will be print reporters who seek to gain access to the national print media.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- To improve professionalism and broaden the technical skills of 120 primarily autochthonous radio and print journalists, through a series of workshops and seminars over several months;
- ➤ The 120 reporters and editors will be taught a concise course of basic journalistic skills. In order to broaden the project's impact, reporters from rural autochthonous media will be recruited to attend the workshops held at four strategically dispersed Mayan highlands centres. Participants at the workshop sites will be invited to participate in three events over several months, so as to strengthen the training and encourage journalists to actively put it in practice.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

This project will expand freedom of expression and media pluralism by developing the skills of 120 journalists, supporting community media, and empowering autochthonous reporters to participate actively in the national media. The aim is to promote a more inclusive democracy that addresses deep-seated problems of widespread societal violence, human rights violations, uneven educational access, persistent social discrimination, good governance, progress against impunity and corruption, and policies to reduce poverty. This long-term media goal is essential to helping long-marginalised autochthonous communities claim their rightful place in Guatemala's national life.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ Professional journalist training instructor to conduct the workshops;
- > Premises for workshops in Santa Cruz del Quiche, Quetzaltenango, Solola, and Huehuetenango;
- ➤ Written training materials and manuals for workshop participation and future reference;
- Overhead projector and audiovisual equipment;
- ➤ Website, site management and a list serve for the workshop results and their translation into *k'iche'* (the most widely spoken Mayan language) for bilingual posting on website;
- > Instructor's transportation, accommodation and meals for travel to the four highlands centres;
- Participants' travel, accommodation and meals.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 120 journalists (mostly Mayans) will participate in a three-part series of training events over several months to perfect basic journalism skills:
 - a) An initial one-day seminar on journalistic practice and interviewing skills, which will also serve as a needs assessment;
 - b) A two-day workshop on basic reporting and radio production skills and journalism ethics;
 - c) A final one-day seminar focused on the social responsibility of journalists.
- The workshop participants will receive instructor feedback on a media product (radio or print story) they developed drawing on their training experiences;
- > Participants will receive written training materials for reference;
- > They will receive resources and suggestions on how to market their stories to national media;
- A website tied to the training sessions will host course materials in Spanish and *k'iche'*, as well as interactive resources and a list serve for autochthonous Guatemalan journalists;
- The four regional workshop clusters will help promote regional and national cooperation and networking among autochthonous journalists in order to empower them to help Guatemala move to a more participatory democracy and more responsive and pluralistic media.

7. ACTIVITIES

- Recruitment of four groups of 30 regional journalists to participate in workshops and seminars in four strategically dispersed Mayan highlands centres. Participants will include 90 % autochthonous journalists, and we will seek to recruit 20 % women journalists (recognising that women are underrepresented among autochthonous journalists);
- > Logistic and administrative arrangements for the three workshops and seminars at the four sites;
- Initial one-day seminars at the four sites on journalistic practice and interviewing skills, which will also serve as needs assessments for each group of 30 journalists;
- Fine-tuning of workshop programme tailored to the abilities and background of each participant group; appropriate workshop materials made available;
- Launching of website page tied to the training sessions, hosting course and reference materials in Spanish and *k'iche'*;
- Two-day workshop at the four sites on basic journalism skills, focused on: writing, creative radio production and journalism ethics;
- ➤ Workshop participants will be encouraged to share a media product (radio or print story) with the workshop instructor for feedback at the final session;
- Final one-day seminar at the four sites, focused on reporting on natural disasters (a particularly timely topic for journalists in these environmentally precarious areas), and on the social responsibility of journalists;
- Training materials given to course participants for future reference;
- ➤ The project instructor will share resources and contacts available to participants who wish to market their journalistic products to national Guatemalan media;
- > Participants will provide feedback and evaluation on the entire training process;
- The beneficiary body and the course instructor will jointly prepare a wrap-up evaluation and report on the project outcomes. In addition, the report will address lessons learned and suggestions for future development and training needs in strengthening Guatemalan media.

8. WORK PLAN

<u>1st</u> <u>quarter</u>: Recruitment of journalist participants – Site reservations and administrative preparations for series of three workshops/seminars at the four sites – Preparation of initial course materials – Launching of website for project – Initial one-day training seminars on journalistic practice and interviewing skills, which also serve as needs assessments for each group.

<u>2nd quarter</u>: Fine-tuning of workshop materials and agenda tailored to abilities of each group – Adaptation of website following initial one-day seminars – Hosting of four two-day seminars on basic journalistic skills – Assignment of participants to course project – E-mail and phone contact between instructor and participants to put their skills into practice.

<u>3rd quarter</u>: Final one-day seminar at each site – Feedback from workshop instructor to participants on their media projects – Future reference materials, resources and contacts to market products provided to participants – Feedback from participants to instructor.

4th quarter: Beneficiary body and course instructor jointly prepare a wrap-up evaluation and report on the project results, along with lessons learned and suggestions for future development of Guatemala media capacity.

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The beneficiary body, *Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche*, based in Santa Cruz del Quiche, Guatemala, will be in charge of administering and supervising the project. It is a training centre in the Mayan highlands that helps build skills in information technology, *k'iche'* and English language learning, and micro-business administration. It will host the first of the four regional workshops, will make

administrative arrangements for the three other sites and coordinate the selection of journalists for the workshops. *Enlace Quiche* also will host the website for the project, translate the training materials from Spanish to *k'iche'* and coordinate the final project evaluation.

The implementing body for the journalism training itself, in partnership with *Ajb'atz'*, will be *Gracias Vida Centre for Media Training*, whose journalism trainer is based in Antigua, Guatemala. *Gracias Vida* has more than eight years' experience in leading journalism training seminars in Guatemala, Nicaragua and Bolivia.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The project is focused on experimental learning and practical coaching to help journalists improve their skills and enter into new media opportunities in Guatemala. The web-based component of the project, hosted by *Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche*, will allow the training material to be shared with other journalists and to have a longer life through "training the trainers". The list serve hosted by *Ajb'atz'* will also promote greater cooperation and networking among autochthonous journalists.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

Both *Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche* and *Gracias Vida* will provide progress reports. A possibility for monitoring could be the office of the UNESCO representative in Guatemala City.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche and Gracias Vida will conduct mid-term assessments and formal year-end evaluations. Evaluations and feedback from participants in the workshops will be incorporated into the final report.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche, as the beneficiary agency, will report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/11GUA/01 352-GUA-11	55.000	Guatemala	1991 -1993
002 001111	25,000	Radio programmes for the transfer of farming technology	
PDC/15GUA/01 352-GUA-51	33,000	Training in printed mass communication with a view to fostering community participation	1995 -1997
PDC/48 GUA/02 354-GUA-5041	18,000	Training journalists in freedom of expression and indigenous rights	2005-2006

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche has participated in the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), and the organisation continues its links through WSIS stocktaking and partnerships. Abj'atz also has conducted a wide variety of outreach and autochthonous community building activities to the k'iche' community in Santa Cruz del Quiche, including hosting of a website and information technology training and outreach. Gracias Vida has developed journalism training materials that it

has refined over the past eight in journalism training in Bolivia, Nicaragua and Guatemala, among other countries. *Gracias Vida* has worked with a wide range of radio stations in the highlands of Guatemala, which provides a key starting point for recruiting journalists for the workshops.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Ajb'atz' Enlace Quiche will provide facilities and equipment for hosting workshops in Quiche, computer and information technology resources for the hosting of the training materials on a website, and staff time for monitoring and oversight of the project. Gracias Vida will provide the use of radio production and recording equipment during the workshops, as well as the previously developed training materials and resources.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

Gracias Vida may also seek additional funding from other donors.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
4 one-day needs assessment seminars for 120 participants (fees, hotel, transport etc.):	4 250
4 two-day journalism workshops for 120 participants (fees, hotel, transport etc.):	14 700
4 one-day social responsibility seminars for 120 participants (fees, hotel, transport etc.):	4 250
Training materials / manuals:	2 000
Website hosting, translations of training materials:	1 500
Monitoring:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>27 700</u>

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Abj'atz' overhead costs (administrative expenses, Internet etc.):	2 000
Gracias vida overhead costs (computers, administrative expenses, Internet etc.):	2 000
Equipment (computer lab, Internet terminals, recording/editing equipment, overhead projector, screen):	7 000
Travel, communication expenses:	1 200
Supervision of project:	1 000
Progress reports:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>14 200</u>

HAITI

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	MULTIMEDIA CENTRE AT THE BUREAU NATIONAL D'ETHNOLOGIE (NATIONAL ETHNOLOGY BUREAU)						
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 HAI/01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	All media forms						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Promotion of freedom of expression and pluralism						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Equipment and training						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	USD 54 600						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	USD 33 000						
9.	PROJECT BENEFICIARY	Bureau National d'Ethnologie						
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Ministry of Culture and Communication Bureau National d'Ethnologie						
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	National						
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Rachel Beauvoir Dominique Ann Valérie Timothée Milfort Redevelopment Committee of the <i>Bureau National d'Ethnologie</i>						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The *Bureau National d'Ethnologie* (BNE, National Ethnology Bureau) is one of Haiti's ten autonomous state bodies. In this post-election period, the BNE is currently engaged in a redevelopment programme in which "Jacques Roumain Year" (celebrating the centenary of the birth of its founder) plays a preponderant role. The institution, which is charged with the mission of preserving and perpetuating Haitian cultural heritage, wishes to secure the means it requires to extend its action to include those segments of society for which the founder's legacy was intended. Thus, this project aims to include the most disadvantaged segments of Haitian society in a programme of social reintegration through the use of multimedia, among other things.

Of course, the project may be confronted with the problems of political instability which have been plaguing Haitian society for many years, and it will also have to cope with infrastructural problems such as an unreliable electricity supply. However, support for this project on two levels—the Ministry of Culture and Communication, on the one hand, and the *Bureau National d'Ethnologie*, on the other, is sufficient guarantee for its continuous development and its capacity for the reintegration of the most marginalized segments of society into cultural institutions, and, more generally, the international public.

The acquisition of basic equipment—a camcorder, computers, a scanner, software, a converter, a UPS—and the implementation of training in the use of such equipment, are the cornerstone of this project.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

- BNE technicians;
- Communication students at the State University of Haiti;
- Journalists;
- Marginalized segments of the population;
- The general public.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

Upgrade the BNE's communication capabilities through the setting up of a Multimedia Centre, with training for technicians in its use.

Provide training for a corps of technicians in the use of the Centre's audiovisual equipment.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

Upgrade the BNE's communication capabilities through the Multimedia Centre.

- Reinforce the BNE's capacity to integrate marginalized segments of the population into cultural institutions
- Achieve more effective preservation of Haitian cultural heritage

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- Advisors for the production of printed and audiovisual material;
- Training in audiovisual production for 20 participants;
- Transportation of training equipment and its adaptation for use in various environments;
- Catering for participants;
- On completion of the training, participants will be invited to produce an audiovisual document on a subject relating to the theme of the year.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- Fully operational Multimedia Centres
- 20 technicians trained in the use of audiovisual equipment;
- Programme of events in celebration of "Jacques Roumain Year".

7. <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

- Training seminar in the use of multimedia equipment;
- Preparation of the equipment for use by marginalized sectors of the population (farmers, manual labourers);
- Programme of events in celebration of "Jacques Roumain Year" (exhibitions, publications, radio and TV programmes, documentary);
- Popularization sessions in the country and in towns;
- Web site.

8. WORK PLAN

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Acquisition of equipment												
Training seminar, use of equipment												
Adaptation of equipment												
Popularization sessions												
Web site												
Programme of events for "J. Roumain Year"												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

This project will be conducted under the auspices of the Ministry of Culture and Communication (MCC). The implementing body will be the *Bureau National d'Ethnologie*.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The MCC has undertaken to support and encourage the long-term use of the equipment. Likewise, the BNE is committed to using the equipment for the implementation of its ethnomusicological and archaeological projects. Given the character of this project, the transmission of knowledge will be an ongoing process.

11. MONITORING FRAMEWORK

The Ministry of Culture and Communication will monitor the project at the *Bureau National d'Ethnologie*. The latter will submit periodic reports to the MCC and to the IPDC.

Under the BNE's supervision, a prolongation of the use of the project equipment by the target population will be encouraged, provided such use is in line with the general objectives of the project.

12. PRE-PROJECT ASSESSMENTS

An evaluation will be conducted at the end of each course and on completion of the project, which will cover the first phase of activity in 2007 for "Jacques Roumain Year".

13. BENEFICIARY BODY'S REPORTING FRAMEWORK

The beneficiary body will submit an activity report every four months.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Assistance provided by the IPDC in the past

PDC/8HAI/01 350-HAI-81	30,000	Haiti	1988 -1991
		Development of a programme for the production and promotion of printed and audio-visual materials	
PDC/17HAI/01 352-HAI-71	50,000	Strengthening the Television Production Capacity	1997 -1998
PDC/18HAI/01 352-HAI-81	38,000	Strengthening the production of the National Radio	1998 -1998
PDC/19HAI/01 352-HAI-91 505 HAI 60 FIT-Saudi Arabia	37,000 27,000	Strengthening the production means of the National Radio	1999 -2001
PDC/19HAI/02 352-HAI-92 505-HAI-61 505-HAI-62 FIT-Saudi Arabia	50,000 18,000 5,000	Strengthening the production capacity of Télé-Haïti	1999 -2003
PDC/48 HAI/01 354-HAI-5041	25,000	Establishment of community multimedia centres	2005 - 2006
		Total Haiti: US\$ 230,000 +US\$50,000 (Funds-in-trust)	

Preliminary activities

Documentary research and meetings in preparation for the redevelopment year; evaluation of needs for the Multimedia Centre.

Beneficiary body's contribution during the term of the project

Personnel assigned to the project; venues; maintenance of equipment.

Aid requested from sources other than the IPDC

Other sources will be approached for the funding of the documentary, including regional cooperation organizations, media houses (national press), international participants at conferences (French cooperation, European Union). Additionally, various public and private organizations (FOKAL / CLAC / Alliance Française network) will be approached with the aim of extending the project to rural areas.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
Camcorder:	3,000	
Desktop computer:	3,000	
Screen:	2,000	
Laptop computer:	2,500	
2 external hard disks:	400	
Laser printer:	1,500	
Ink-jet printer:	800	
Scanner:	500	
Ink cartridges and accessories:	1,000	
Plotter:	2,000	
Software:	3,000	
Projector:	1,500	
Converter and batteries:	5,300	
UPS:	500	
Training:	5,000	
Monitoring:	1 000	
TOTAL:	33,000	

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIB (in US dollars)	UTION
Venue:	4,800
Technicians:	16,800
TOTAL:	<u>21,600</u>

JAMAICA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION			
1.	TITLE	INTERNET RADIO/MOBILE ICT LAB		
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 JAM/01		
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Multimedia communication		
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Development of a community media centre		
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National		
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial		
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 148 300		
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 27 500		
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Mongrel Street Lab		
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Mongrel Street Lab		
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Palmers Cross, Clarendon		
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Mervin Jarman, Container Project		
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU			

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The Mongrel Collective has developed and implemented in 2003 the Container Project: a 40 ft. container was retrofitted into a 14-computer laboratory, training and certification were offered in digital music production, digital photography and videography, and offered the only Internet /computer source for the Palmers Cross community. The Mongrel Street Lab has given the opportunity to contribute in a significant way to the advancement of communication and self-expression at the grassroots levels through promotion of a digital culture. In so doing, it helped to bridge the "communication chasm" and the digital divide, while providing some of the tools that can contribute to closing some of the other economic and social gaps. Addressing these problems is critical, since one of the greatest threats to civil obedience comes from the target group – young people on the streets of the island.

The Mongrel Collective proposes to establish a Multimedia lab in a wheeled bin which would travel to a number of marginalised communities and conduct training sessions on ICT/multimedia technology, so as to increase the capacity of at least 300 hard-to-reach, at-risk and socially excluded youth in audio/video production, interface design and Internet usage. The lab also offers an inexpensive method of a moving workshop from street to street, from city to city, in the most remote corners.

The project will involve a partnership with HEART TRUST/ National Training Agency (NTA), to certify those trained. The practical training provided by the project is expected to result in better educational levels among the target group, increased income-generating capacity, enhanced ICT/multimedia capacity, making them multimedia producers whose input will help to increase media pluralism in Jamaica.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The primary beneficiaries of the project will be the approximately 300 at-risk socially excluded youth who will be selected for training. Secondary beneficiaries include the families of these 300 youth, as well as other fee-paying customers who will benefit from the additional capacity generated by the project.

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

- ➤ To train at least 300 hard-to-reach, at-risk and socially excluded youth in the use of familiar forms of media (audio, video, Internet radio etc) in a 2-year period, in order to improve their personal educational levels and increase their income-generating capacity;
- ➤ Promoting communication and self-expression of the marginalized, through building and equipping a mobile multimedia lab in a wheeled bin, with Internet radio, which will appear familiar and un-intimidating to the target group.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

Image control has all kinds of important political and socio-economic consequences that impact upon development. Placing media under community control empowers ordinary people by giving them a say and therefore a stake in everything. It is the right step in the direction of good governance.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ Wheeled container;
- > Equipment;
- > Trainers:
- ➤ Mobile unit:
- Project coordinator.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 300 at-risk youth trained and certified;
- ➤ Increased capacity of 300 young people in media production;
- > Equipped training facility;
- > Training material developed;
- > Strengthened HEART TRUST/NTA relationship with the Mongrel container project, thereby securing certification at grassroots level;
- ➤ Local content produced, including digital stories.

7. ACTIVITIES

- Planning and community surveys;
- ➤ Acquisition of equipment;
- Equipping the Portable Street Lab to deliver ICT/multimedia training;
- ➤ Contract trainers:
- ➤ Production of training materials to deliver a 72-hour, 6-week ICT/interactive multimedia training programme based on the curriculum developed by the Container Project with the assistance of the previous IPDC workshop;
- ➤ Build on the HEART/NTA and Container 'Special' Project partnership programme to offer the "Nation Vocation Qualification of Jamaica" (NVQJ) accreditation;
- > Testing the installation;
- ➤ Marketing/advertising campaign;
- > Implementing the workshop;
- > Content production including at least 50 digital stories;
- ➤ Monitoring and evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

Months 1-2: Preliminary planning and community surveys;

Months 2-4: Acquisition of the equipment; building the infrastructure into the wheeled bin;

Month 5: Installation of the equipment;

Months 4-6: Development of training materials; planning of the workshops;

Months 5-6: In-house testing and adjustment of the completed lab;

Month 6: Organising the first two workshops;

Months 7-15: Organising other workshops;
Months 9-22: Local content production;
Month 23: Monitoring and evaluation;
Complete final report;

Ongoing: Marketing and advertisement.

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

The management Committee (the Container Project's board of Directors) will be responsible for financial accountability, as the funds will be administrated through the Container Project. Other members of the team will come from the various organisations approached. This group will form the core development body. In addition, representatives from UNESCO/IPDC and other organisations will be invited to participate.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The sustainability of the activity rests firstly upon the additional capacity of the Mongrel Street Lab to offer a wider array of training opportunities, access to the equipment and to multimedia tools. In addition, the obligation of the youths trained under the project to mentor other youths also provides an opportunity to impart skills and entrepreneurial values to them.

The results of each workshop will be catalogued and displayed to paying viewers. These are expected to be hosted by Galleries and other public access spaces. The events will be organised in such a way that they will promote the individual or groups work so as to boost their business prospects, acting as a marketing and advertisement tool.

Another approach will be to seek the participation of the corporate institutions in the designated workshop location. Finally we will seek grant funding to continue to run workshops and afford seed funding to continue the business development programme, such as plans to install a revolving fund that will continue to assist in the maintenance of the project.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

We would recommend independent consultants Ms. Camille Turner and Ms. Sonia Mills to create a monitoring and evaluation team. Their collective technical expertise enables them to document the process first-hand, providing a blueprint of the whole construction process for future use.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The Container project was a recipient of the UNESCO/IPDC workshop programme "Building Mobile Multimedia Facility for Rural Youth". This was the pilot of the project that yielded excellent results. On the base of these results, which reflect true community transformation, the Container project seeks to expand the programme to other communities by creating a truly mobile unit.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/4JAM/19 350-JAM-41	40,000	Jamaica	1983 –1992
350-JAM-71	34,000		
350-JAM-81	25,000	Creative production and training centre for television and radio (CPTC)	
352-JAM-21	63,000		

PDC/11JAM/01 352-JAM-31	60,000	Development of the computer system in the Jamaica Information Service	1993 -1994
PDC/16JAM/01 352-JAM-71	37,000	Community Radio for Poverty Alleviation and Development	1997-1998
PDC/18JAM/01 352-JAM-81	90,000	Upgrading the training and production capabilities of the Creative Production and Training Centre (CPTC)	1998-1999
PDC/20JAM/01 353-JAM-01	33,000	Workshop for production of training video/manual for journalists on how to report on violence against children and among children	2000 - 2002
PDC/48 JAM/01 354-JAM-5041	20,000	Building mobile, multimedia capacity for rural youth	2005 - 2006
	•	Total Jamaica: US\$ 402,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- 2005: Designing and organising workshops for the Container Project in Palmers Cross;
- 2004: Conducting street art workshop, using mobile phones in South End, England;
- 2003: Designing and organising Media Arts workshop in Regent Park, Toronto, Canada;
- 2003: Designing and implementing the Container Project in Palmers Cross, Clarendon.

All these activities were designed and implemented with hard-to-reach at-risk socially excluded youths.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Proposals are being sent to both local and international funding agencies and institutions, seeking their assistance for the development of purpose-built software and hardware, and residencies for technology practitioners. The Container Project will provide the Lab with the necessary ongoing resources and a financial contribution for the organisation of the workshops.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

The Daniel Langlois Foundation; the Ontario College of Art and Design; Creative London; the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica; the Cable and Wireless Foundation; the Jamaica National Building Society; the National Commercial Bank.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Equipment: A wheeled garbage bin; 5 laptop computers; remote server/ back up system; printer; scanner; photocopier; 2 mini disc recorders; 2 DV camcorders; 2 digital cameras; data projector; 2 AC/DC converters; mobile radio transmitter and accessories (community web/broadcast):	12 500
5 trainers:	10 000
Administrative support, maintenance, insurance etc.:	4 000
Monitoring:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>27 500</u>

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Trainers:	20 000
Local/international media specialist:	20 000
Volunteer stipend:	12 000
Local transport (one year):	5 000
Training materials (hand-out and software):	5 000
Administration (one year):	10 000
Monitoring and documentation:	10 000
Miscellaneous and incidentals:	38 800
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>120 800</u>

JAMAICA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION			
1.	TITLE	PRISON RADIO NETWORK (REHABILITATION RADIO)		
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 JAM/02		
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Integrated media, Internet and radio		
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Community media; independent and pluralistic media		
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National		
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial		
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 74 600		
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 40 000		
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Department of Correctional Services (DCS)		
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Department of Correctional Services (DCS)		
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Tower street, South Camp and Fort Augusta Adult Correctional Centres		
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Department of Correctional Services and partners		
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU			

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

In Jamaica, the media are relatively free and champion free speech, considering the vast number of talk-shows being broadcast. However, people are still not communicating. There is a clearly expressed need for a better quality content on the country's airwaves. The cable channels focus mostly on entertainment, the talk-shows often lack a solid basis of reliable information, and even this information may not be easily heard, due to the problem of transmitter coverage. Those concerned with social problems, relating particularly to crime and violence, are demanding more interactive and user-friendly information of concern to specific communities. These include prison communities, where feedback between inmates and their families, the Church and other rehabilitative elements of civil society could be established in both print and electronic formats.

This project aims at addressing inadequate quality programming and including certain communities and their concerns – such as the prison communities – in the national media coverage. The Department of Correctional Services (DCS) in Jamaica has a limited capacity to respond to this situation. Its programmes focus on training in areas such as communication, thinking and social skills. Music and drama activities constructively channel energies and offer the discipline and positive feedback of performance. It engages in some media production through the publication of its own newsletter, with considerable input from the inmates who are also encouraged to contribute articles to weekly reviews and newspapers. In one centre, the inmates also produce a newsletter within the framework of its Educational and Rehabilitation Programme for circulation within and outside the facility.

This project envisages strengthening this capacity by creating a positive interactive radio environment through the DCS, involving correctional officers, administrators, inmates and families. The radio network will be a major vehicle to advance the DCS's *Life Skills Programme*. This is a significant opportunity for positive change, since there is currently no medium for coordinated education and communication in the prisons. This development requires a broadband Internet connection and installation of a low-power FM transmitter at each of the DCS facilities. With this connection, radio programming can be generated from each of the institutions and distributed throughout the system. Programmes will be designed, developed and distributed to educate the inmate population (via courses, discussion groups, interviews and guest speakers) and to inform them on events across the penal system. This will create a conducing atmosphere to learning, and will benefit both the inmates and staff. Partnerships will be established with other media houses to broadcast content produced by inmates and staff to the general public.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

- ➤ Inmates. They are the immediate beneficiaries of the project; they will learn the basic skills of Internet and radio content production;
- ➤ Correctional officers;
- Families of inmates.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To conduct a series of training workshops for 100 inmates and correctional officers in media and communication skills, programming, broadcasting, engineering and related multimedia operation.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

Enabling inmates and officers to share their own stories and encourage dialogue, within their own environment as well as externally, should contribute to the improvement of their condition and well being, and reduce recidivism among inmates by providing them the means to behave in a socially acceptable manner upon re-entry into society.

5. PROJECT INPUTS (for 4 studios):

- ➤ 4 low-power FM transmitters with antennae;
- > Broadband Internet connections:
- ➤ 4 studio audio consoles;
- ➤ 12 studio microphones with stands;
- ➤ 12 studio headphones;
- ➤ 4 CD players;
- ➤ 4 tape decks;
- ➤ 18 chairs:
- \triangleright 8 × 10 broadcasting studio to be built.

Personnel:

- ➤ Media and communications consultant;
- > Trainers.

Training material.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 100 Inmates and officers trained in broadcasting and communications and related multimedia skills:
- Improved morale, as a significant part of the inmate population will be engaged on a daily basis in something meaningful and positive;
- > DCS monthly newspaper established and articles produced and published;
- A Guide on the use of mass media for rehabilitation in correctional facilities of the Caribbean;
- ➤ Training manual (CD or on Internet) on community broadcasting, tailored to penal communities. This manual can be used to share the experiences with other institutions within and outside Jamaica.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Baseline assessment of facilities:
- Acquisition of equipment;
- Recruitment of trainers:
- ➤ Installation of broadband Internet connections;
- Furnishing and equipping the studios in the 4 locations;
- > Development of training material;
- > Training workshops for staff and inmates;
- Design of schedules and production of pilot radio programmes;
- > Test broadcasts;
- > Beginning of regular transmissions;
- ➤ Development of a Guide on the use of mass media for rehabilitation in correctional facilities of the Caribbean:
- > Evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

ACTIVITIES	Month
Baseline assessment of facilities	1-2
Preparation of training programme for three facilities	3-4
Acquisition and installation of equipment	3-4
Development of training materials	3-4
Organisation of training workshops	4-16
Production, broadcast and dissemination of new content	5-16
Launch of "Rehabilitation Radio" – Test broadcasts	5
Development of a Guide on the use of mass media for rehabilitation in correctional facilities of the	12-16
Caribbean	
Evaluation	16

It is proposed to upgrade the DCS newsletter to a monthly newspaper for wider circulation and produce radio and video programmes for broadcast. Furthermore, while DCS does already have some desktop publishing and digital production equipment, additional items would be needed to ensure the training and production are undertaken in the most appropriate environment and for continued use.

The project will be piloted in 4 correctional facilities Fort Augusta (Adult female), Rio Cobre Juvenile Correctional Facility (Youths), South Camp (Adult male, minimum security) and Tower Street Adult Correctional Centres (Adult male, maximum security).

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

The activities of this project will be undertaken in collaboration with the Berkman Centre for Internet and Society (Harvard University, USA) and the Technical Training School of Cornerstone Ministries, an NGO specialised in rehabilitative skills training.

The Department of Correctional Services (DCS) and Students Expressing Truth (SET) Foundation and other partners have committed to collaborate in the education and advancement of the staff, inmates and families in the penal system through a ICTs and rehabilitation programme. To this end, they are developing the infrastructure, personnel, communication and management framework to educate inmates while maintaining the security and integrity of the penal system. This project aims to set up a dedicated and secure communication network across four institutions and the DCS training facility in Kingston.

DCS provides infrastructure for the establishment of radio laboratories, as well as supervision for the project. Ultimately, the "*Rehabilitation Radio*" will belong to the DCS, which will be responsible for its maintenance and upkeep.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

- The programme will be sustained through the continuous training of inmates and warders. The manual will facilitate continuity;
- ➤ The DCS is developing a support base of volunteers, staff and inmates who will help to generate programmes and opportunities for broadcast;
- Financial sustainability will be enhanced, since overhead expenses will be met by the Department of Correctional Services. The network will generate some income by providing mainstream media with selected content for a fee.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

- The project will be managed by a Committee to be established by DCS, with independent technical oversight from Spectrum Management Authority Ltd.;
- > We recommend that UNESCO engage the services of an independent consultant to evaluate the project.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

A recent evaluation carried out on the DCS facility has foreseen the need for increased skills training in ICTs within the Rehabilitation Programme.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

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33 7-3/1/1 -3041		Total Jamaica: US\$ 402,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Submission to the Broadcasting Commission and Spectrum Management Authority to obtain licence to establish and operate the prison radio network;
- > Selected possible providers for equipment as well as professional consultants and trainers;
- > Sensitised the entire inmate and staff population about the programme;
- Secured overseas assistance from Harvard Law School through the Berkman Centre for Internet and Society;
- Established a partnership with SET to provide expertise in broadcasting, training, content production, avenues for distribution etc.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)		
4 Macintosh G5 computers:	7 745	
8 studio condenser microphones:	1 600	
12 studio headphones:	2 075	
4 CD players:	4 000	
4 dual tape decks:	580	
4 low-power FM transmitters with antennae:	2 000	
4 broad band internet connections:	4 000	
Project Coordinator:	5 000	
10 training workshops:	7 000	
Development of training material and Guide:	5 000	
Monitoring:	1 000	
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>40 000</u>	

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
3 furnished studios:	13 560
4 studio audio consoles:	6 400
18 chairs:	3 240
Project Coordinator:	5 000
Media and communications consultant:	6 400
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>34 600</u>

MÉXICO

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION								
1.	TITLE	STRENGTHENING RURAL, INDIGENOUS AND COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION IN MÉXICO							
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 MEX/01							
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Rural community radio							
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Development of community media Human resources development							
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National							
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial							
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 107 000							
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 30 000							
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Radio "La Voz de los Campesinos" ("The Voice of the Peasants")							
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Fomento Cultural y Educativo A.C. (F.C.E.)							
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	México							
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Julieta APPENDINI MORÁN, Vice-chairwoman of F.C.E. María Teresa GUERRA PÁRAMO Project supporter of F.C.E.							
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU								

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

According to a survey carried out by the SCT in 2004, there are 1154 commercial radio stations in México, but only 269 of them focused on education and culture of the communities; no more than 83 of the latter are transmitting in FM. In other words, in México, 88% of the frequencies belong to the corporate body of the concession for commercial and profit use. The remaining 12% are in the permission body where communities are located, which allows State and university broadcasting for education and culture. 13 radio broadcasting groups monopolise of 80% of the commercial broadcasting.

Besides, there is a lack of support from the government with regard to community media, making it difficult to create new cultural or educational sources which promote cultural interchange, analysis of the day-to-day facts and freedom of expression. The official bodies are supporting only powerful groups, universities and government-related media.

Radio "La voz de los Campesinos" is one of the few community radio stations with legal permission that has survived the political and social struggle. Radio has always been a communication link among 1000 communities in the states of Veracruz, Hidalgo, Puebla, and San Luis Potosí. Otomí, Nahua, and Tepehua indigenous groups live in those states. Communication facilities are rather limited; road conditions are bad and the phone service is not always available. This makes radio transmissions crucial for communication in the region.

There are 42 weekly cultural, information and entertainment programmes. Additionally, there is air space for private messages and community announcements. Producers and presenters of these programmes are bilingual, using at the same time Spanish and local languages in their endogenous productions. People from the communities regularly have their messages recorded.

The training of new community correspondents is vital for the promotion of traditional and cultural manifestations. Correspondents must possess technical skills as well as a thorough knowledge of the subject matter to be able to contribute to the creation of a social feeling among the indigenous communities, as regards freedom of expression and human rights in relation to communication and information. These qualifications will be gained by the implementation of the project outlined below.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

180 correspondents, men and women, belonging to some 80 communities of the state of Veracruz.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- To strengthen community communication in 80 communities from the Nahua, Otomí and Tepehua regions through the use of radio as a democratic and pluralistic communication means;
- ➤ To train 180 correspondents from the communities in the use of new information and communication technologies, incorporating these technologies keeping in mind the region's specific conditions and culture.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To develop the technical and communication skills of the correspondents who work and live in the rural areas of the Nahuas, Otomís, Tepehuas, and other mixed communities by training and by getting them involved in radio operations. This will strengthen freedom of expression, add to the media pluralism and provide a better access to information.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Appointment of training instructors and consultants for the workshops;
- > Educational materials for the training;
- > Travel expenses, accommodation and subsistence;
- Purchase of audio equipment;
- Communication and announcement expenses;
- Administrative support by Fomento Cultural y Educativo, AC.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 4 training seminars on freedom of expression, rural communication, community radios and immigration;
- ➤ 8 training workshops on indigenous and community radio, multilingual translation methods, multilingual radio hosting strategies and strengthening of the communities through radio;
- ➤ 180 correspondents trained to operate the technical communication equipment;
- A detailed document systematising this training of correspondents, the equipment used, including content, results, evaluation of the courses and workshop proceedings.

7. ACTIVITIES

- > Design and planning of the training (meetings);
- > Conception of a working method for the workshops and design of the training courses;
- > Selection of instructors and experts, and preparation of training materials;
- > Selection of the attendants to the training courses, in agreement with the communities;
- > 4 training seminars on freedom of expression, rural communication, community radios and immigration;
- ➤ 8 training workshops on indigenous and community radio, multilingual translation methods, multilingual radio hosting strategies and strengthening of the communities through community radio;
- > Evaluation of the workshops on a four-month basis;
- ➤ Documentation and systematisation of the training experience, to be printed and published on *Fomento's* website;
- Final evaluation and completion of the report.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity / Month	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	(6	7	•	8	9.	9	1	0	1	1	1	2
Design and planning of the																				
training. Conception of a																				
working method																				
Selection of instructors and																				
design of evaluation																				
instruments																				
Selection of attendants																				
(correspondents)																				
8 training workshops and																				
4 training seminars																				
Evaluation every 4 months																				
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Documentation and												
systematisation of the												
experience												
Final evaluation												
Final report												

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

Radio "La voz de los Campesinos" (affiliated with the ALER – Asociación Latinoamericana de Educación Radiofónica- and the AMARC group), formerly known as Radio Huayacocotla, established in 1974, was the first community radio in México. Since then, its purposes have been to serve as a communication bridge between communities, helping to spread the traditions of the various indigenous groups of the region, promoting the rights of the indigenous villages and giving voice to the farmers. It was created in 1965 by the members of SER – Servicios Educativos Radiofónicos – aimed at promoting adult literacy by radio. At the end of the project, along with legal authority, the premises were handed over to Fomento Cultural y Educativo, AC.

Fomento Cultural y Educativo, AC. is a civil non-profit association with 32 years of experience, consisting of an interdisciplinary team that provides educational and management training services to indigenous people in the poorest areas of the country.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

Fomento Cultural y Educativo, AC. is legally responsible for the project and will be the implementing body through Radio "La voz de los Campesinos" team. The sustainability of the project is also based on the knowledge and training received by the correspondents, as well as on the improvement of their day-to-day activities. Fomento Cultural y Educativo AC. will be responsible of the continuance and implementing process of the project after its completion.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The project will be monitored at all stages, and progress reports will be sent to the UNESCO as required.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The evaluation of the project will take place at three different stages: 1) diagnosis (at the beginning); 2) progress (in the middle); 3) performance (at the end). For evaluation purposes, monthly meetings will be held with the assigned correspondents along with the presenters and the instructors.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Fomento Cultural y Educativo, AC. is responsible for the submission of reports on the activities implemented and the results obtained. The reports will be submitted every four months and upon request.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/4MEX/18 350-MEX-41	40,000	Mexico	1984 -1986
		Design and testing of curriculum for consumer education in communication	
PDC/8MEX/01 350-MEX-81 350-MEX-91	25,000 20,000	Purchase of microcomputers for the technological modernization project for NOTIMEX (Mexican News Agency) correspondents	1986 -1990
PDC/14MEX/01 352-MEX-41	28,000	Reinforcement of multimedia project 'El rumbo de los Ninos'	1994 -1997
PDC/48 MEX/01 354MEX 5041	25,000	Strengthening freedom of expression and community radios	2005-2006
		Total Mexico: US\$ 138,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

For 32 years, *Fomento* has been financially supported by foreign co-operative agencies, institutions and national donations. The main agencies that have given us their support are: *Cafod, Adveniat* and the IAF (Interamerican Foundation). In terms of national aid, the most prominent donators are: *Fundación Telmex, Fomento Social Banamex, Fundación Dondé*.

Regular donations for the training of radio presenters and production and radio transmission costs have also been provided by the following organisations: *Manos Unidas, CAFOD, Secours Catholique y Dreikonigsaktion*. The radio team undergoes monthly training sessions on the new communication technologies. *Fundación Espinosa Rugarcía* supported radio initiatives that strengthen the work of women in the area. Two groups from México, *Radio Centro* and *Comisión Nacional para el Desarrollo de los Pueblos Indígenas*, gave their support for the purchase of the equipment that made possible the switch to the FM frequency.

As of today, there is ongoing support from the IAF for the production of radio material to deal with immigration matters as well as for the promotion of local bands. In the course of 2007, the renewal of the support for the production improvement by *CAFOD* and *Secours Catholique* is expected.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)						
4 training seminars for all attendants:	5 400					
3 training courses/workshops for presenters, producers and correspondents:						
3 training courses/workshops for correspondents:						
2 courses for correspondents and communities:						
Purchase of audio equipment:						
Documentation and systematisation of experience:						
Annual report (transportation, travel expenses and materials):						
Monitoring:	1 000					
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>30 000</u>					

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)						
4 training seminars for all attendants:						
3 training courses/workshops for presenters, producers and correspondents:						
3 training courses/workshops for correspondents:	700					
2 training courses for correspondents and communities:						
Audio equipment:						
Documentation and systematisation of experience:						
Design and planning of the training:						
Selection of attendance (correspondents):						
Evaluation of the attendants' performance:						
Final evaluation:						
Annual report (transportation, travel expenses and materials):	150					
Project coordinator:	12 000					
4 presenters:	48 000					
Rental of premises:						
Running expenses:						
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>78 000</u>					

NICARAGUA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	TRAINING PROGRAMME IN RADIO PRODUCTION FOR COMMUNITY COMMUNICATORS						
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 NIC/01						
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community radio broadcasting						
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Community media						
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National						
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial						
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 51 400						
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 32 000						
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	The Nicaraguan Sustainable Development Network (SDN)						
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	The Nicaraguan Sustainable Development Network						
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Nicaragua						
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	The Nicaraguan Sustainable Development Network						
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU							

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

In Nicaragua, there are 180 radio stations of all political and religious persuasions; however, they are concentrated in Managua and other urban centres. None of these stations can be said to have a truly national coverage or, in other words, a coverage that reaches the Caribbean Coast as well as the Pacific. The programme content of the 'national' commercial radio stations, and many of the local stations too, does not reflect the interests or concerns of the rural population, nor is it educational. It does not provide a space for people to talk, raise questions, criticise and propose alternatives, i.e. to exercise their right to free speech in order to exert an influence on local and national management of the development which affects their lives.

Investigations carried out on community radios identify the following needs as being those most urgently in need of attention: strengthening the trade organisations, facilitating access to the new technologies, training the work force, increasing the ability for advocacy at local and national level and moving forward in the process of ensuring sustainability, without sacrificing the social mission.

Training of community radio staff has taken place through exchanges, placements and workshops aimed at improving the management of communication techniques, a process that has been sporadic and – in some cases – the result of the patronage or sponsorship by an NGO. But the training has had little impact on the radio stations' development, due to the lack of trained personnel.

The project proposes to train 45 local communicators in technical and conceptual tools for radio production so as to promote community development, specifically in the subjects of freedom of expression, communication for development and communication strategies at local level.

With the aim of improving the community radios' technical and informational quality, the project will provide training in radio digitalisation and other information and communication technologies.

Only 10% of community radios possess a computer; so, out of the 6 computers funded by the project, 4 will go to radio stations, while two will go to the Nicaragua Sustainable Development Network (SDN) in order to ensure the conditions for the subsequent replication of the training, reproduction of materials and access to the Internet.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries of the project are local communicators working for legally constituted community radio stations which are members of the country's regional networks and radio production centres; they show an interest in going on to replicate the training;

3. <u>IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE</u>

To train 30 local communicators in technical and conceptual radio production tools so as to promote community development, specifically in the areas of freedom of expression, communication for development and communication strategies at local level, and 15 communicators in the use of new ICTs for improving community radio production techniques, investigation and information services.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE**

The project seeks to ensure that reporters improve their ability to communicate and interact with their communities, via the production of new radio programmes and the use of new forms of radio production that induce a greater awareness of community.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Instructors and training materials;
- > Travel, accommodation, subsistence, venue, etc.;
- > Invitation and communication costs;
- Project monitoring and follow-up;
- > Systematisation;
- Administrative and financial support for an accountant.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 30 local communicators trained in the use of technical and conceptual tools in radio production for community development, possess the ability and inclination to teach their new knowledge to other communicators, as well as put it into practice by producing new, more participative radio programmes;
- ➤ 15 communicators trained in new ICTs possess the ability and inclination to teach their new knowledge to other communicators, as well as put it into practice in order to improve production processes, investigation and information services to the community radios;
- ➤ A project systematisation document which would serve as a record of project achievements, difficulties and solutions. The same document would be a crucial input in building consensus for planning future actions;
- > Six training manuals on the subjects mentioned and containing exercises in radio production.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Coordination meetings between the community radio stations, production centres and the SDN to agree on the monitoring, follow-up and to define strategic guidelines for improving the communicators' regional networks;
- > Selection of local communicators for the training;
- Production of the methodological proposal for the workshops;
- > Preparation of the workshops and corresponding training materials:
- Four workshops on the following subjects: The right to freedom of communication and expression (3 days), Introduction to communication for development (3 days), Radio production (5 days), and Communication monitoring, follow-up and evaluation (3 days);
- > A 5-day workshop on radio digitalisation;
- ➤ A 3-day workshop on pedagogic instruments for replicating the training;
- ➤ 6 visits to the three major regions of the country (the Pacific, the North Central and the Caribbean Coast) to carry out an analysis of training implementation;
- ➤ Meetings of three focus groups for project systematisation: coordinators, communicators, sample of community radio listeners;
- Production of reports.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity / Month	1	-	2	3	4	1	5	6	5	7	7	8	3	9	9	1	0	1	1	1:	2
Project preparation meeting																					\Box
Preparation of training materials																					
Coordination between SDN and networks																					\Box
Selection of trainees																					\Box
Production of monitoring instruments																					
Methodological proposal for the workshops																					\Box
Baseline visits to the 3 regions																					\Box
First report																					\Box
Preparation of workshops																					\Box
Four workshops carried out																					
Radio digitalisation workshop																					
Pedagogical instruments workshop																					
Second report																					
Analysis visits to the three regions																					
Project evaluation meeting																					
Project systematisation																					
Final report																					

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

SDN Nicaragua was established in 1994 as a result of a project executed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Its objective was to promote sustainable development by providing access to information through the use of New Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) and the radio.

The SDN will be responsible for carrying out the project as far as contracting the instructors and ensuring the logistics for the workshops is concerned. The beneficiary community radios, which must be legally constituted, will assign their staff trained by the project to facilitate repeat training and will be responsible for the monitoring and follow-up of project activities.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The SDN is self-sustained by operating the *sdnnic* node (<u>www.sdnic.org.ni</u>) as well as seeking one-off support from different donor agencies for specific activities or projects. The community radios are sustained by the sale of radio space for commercial ends. Many of them also support themselves through relationships with international cooperation.

The preparation of a 3-year agreement for the creation and development of a National Network will also support the sustainability of project activities. With respect to social sustainability, it is hoped that the project improves an effective association between radios and community organisations.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

It is proposed that monitoring is shared between the SDN and the networks participating in the project with the aim of capturing the effects of the project in the municipalities on the one hand, and on the other, creating an atmosphere of mutual commitment through the networks' direct participation.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Since 1998, the SDN has carried out a series of investigations in the field of communication for development, which includes one carried out by AMARC in 2004 on the situation of community radios and their audiences. This proposal is the result of the experience gained at this time.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Based on monitoring carried out by both the community radios and the SDN, the latter will be responsible for presenting a report of activities undertaken and their results every four months.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/7NIC/01 350-NIC-71 350-NIC-91	45,000 30,000	Nicaragua	1987 –1991
		Establishment of News Agency	
PDC/20NIC/01 548-NIC-5060 FIT-Luxembourg	35,000	Training in communication for the strengthening of democracy and the culture of peace	2003 –2004
		Total Nicaragua: US\$ 120,000+ US\$ 35,000 (FIT)	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

In the last few years, SDN carried out two activities related to the purposes and aims of this project:

- The investigation undertaken by AMARC and SDN mentioned above in point 12 ("Evaluations carried out");
- In February 2005, UNESCO and SDN co-organised the workshop "Strengthening the capacities of community journalists".

In addition, the SDN Nicaragua has worked in conjunction with UN organisations in the following activities and bodies:

- Nicaraguan Committee for the Promotion of the Information Society, in collaboration with the Nicaraguan Commission of Cooperation with UNESCO;
- The Executive Board of the UNDP Small Grants Programme;
- Following the World Summit on Information Society, SDN carried out an investigation on the methods developed by the Civil Society organisations for acquiring NICTs.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)							
Workshop 1 (Freedom of expression): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 3 days:	2 200						
Workshop 2 (Communication for development): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 3 days:	2 200						
Workshop 3 (Radio production): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 5 days:	2 400						
Workshop 4 (Communication strategies): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 3 days:	2 200						
Workshop 5 (The new ICTs): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 5 days:	5 000						
Workshop 6 (Pedagogic tools): Instructor, travel, subsistence, venue for 5 days:	2 200						
Systematisation (fees, pre-test, 3 focus groups, 6 visits, interviews):	3 500						
Facilitation:	1 200						
Coordination meeting with local networks:	500						
Training materials:	350						
Follow-up and monitoring:	2 000						
6 computers for the networks and workshops:	5 550						
Communications:	500						
Administrative costs:	1 200						
Monitoring:	1 000						
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>32 000</u>						

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
General coordination (including reports):	9 000				
Planning meeting:	150				
Evaluation meeting:	150				
Design and production of training materials:					
Training materials (duplication of manuals, texts etc.):	2 000				
Design and publication of systematisation:	600				
Administrative costs:	1 800				
Communications:	2 100				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>19 400</u>				

PANAMA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION									
1.	TITLE	FREE PRESS AND ETHICS IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RADIO-TELEVISION JOURNALISM								
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 PAN/01								
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio and television								
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resources development; Promotion of freedom of expression								
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National								
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial								
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 115 000								
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 33 500								
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Servicio Estatal de Radio y Televisión (SER TV)								
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Servicio Estatal de Radio y Televisión (SER TV)								
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Panamá								
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Carlos AGUILAR (Director of SER TV) Alexandra SCHJELDERUP (Director of International Cooperation in SER TV)								
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU									

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Panama's radio and television news stories are characterised by a frequently shallow, tabloid pressoriented coverage of daily events which has a negative impact on the way Panamanians, especially the less economically endowed, perceive themselves. This is probably due to the TV and radio stations' tight competition for higher ratings, or to a lack of clear vision of what the responsibilities, rights, and obligations of journalism might be.

After 37 years of existence, SER TV (Sistema Estatal de Radio y Televisión) recently (2004) changed its based government-centred viewpoint to Public Service Broadcasting (PSB), oriented towards pluralism, freedom of expression, where rural and urban Panamanians would feel represented and, above all, respected as the central subject of the station's new social, cultural, and educational purpose.

In the private media sector, there have been several unsuccessful initiatives to establish a moderate, more respectful code in terms of news coverage of criminality, violence, natural disasters, or even gender-related issues. However, there is a general interest to solve this situation by creating alliances between the most important news departments in the audiovisual landscape.

SER TV, with its 4 radio stations, wishes to train its radio and TV journalists alongside 50 others from the private and the National University Journalism Faculty, in order to promote freedom of expression and to enhance a frame of ethics that will enable deep, independent news coverage that will not only inform the community on the daily events, but will also strive to create criticism, analysis, and thought through its contents. As SER TV will be recovering its nationwide broadcast signal in the midst of 2007, the effects of the newly acquired skills in news and documentary production will be seen and heard throughout Panama.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

Journalists from SER TV (radio, TV and regional correspondents) as well as journalists from the private sector (radio and TV) and graduate students of the journalism Faculty from the National University of Panama.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To improve 100 journalists and students' skills in research, development, and analysis in news production and train 100 journalists on a stronger perspective of the ethics applied in the processing of the news.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

With proper training, SER TV will be able to attain its goals in terms of a public service's news and documentary production with high standards of ethics. This will also have an effect on the rest of the group that is not part of SER TV.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- Fully equipped conference room for the workshops;
- > Computer, multimedia projector, screen, office supplies for the workshops;
- Assistants, technicians and local coordination:

- Local transportation for correspondents from other provinces (12);
- > Filming crew, equipment and materials to record all workshops and seminars.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 4 workshops on Legal Frame in press freedom; Ethics of journalism; News coverage of violence and tragedy; "*Ethnograph*", a leading tool for statistics analysis;
- A high-quality public news service in SER TV with in-depth coverage produced under ethics and free press perspective;
- ➤ 100 journalists that will create an extensive network in radio and TV news media that includes private stations that will be trained under the same parameters of the public service standards;
- A group of journalists with larger awareness of their rights and responsibilities towards the community;
- All training sessions will be filmed and will be used for special programmes to be broadcast in SER TV or consulted in SER TV's public media Centre;
- ➤ A 10 one-hour series on all training will be broadcast and available for internal and public consultation.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ 4 workshops on the following areas:
 - Legal frame in press freedom;
 - The ethics of journalism;
 - News coverage of violence and tragedy;
 - "Ethnograph", a leading tool for statistics analysis.
- ➤ Preparation and editing of a TV series of 10 programmes dedicated to the contents of all workshops to be broadcast on SER TV public television.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity / Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Monitoring and evaluation												
Contracting trainers and consultants												
4 workshops (4-5 days/module) on law,												
ethics, violence and the Ethnograph,												
addressed to 100 journalists												
Production of TV series (10×1 hr)												
Broadcast of the series												
First report on progress.												
Second report on progress.												
Final report containing a narrative section												
and a financial report.												

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Created in 1978 and originally conceived for educational and cultural broadcasting, Canal 11 was absorbed by the Panamanian State, slowly becoming a government propaganda media, with very low ratings and no credibility from its viewers. In 2004, a new administration presented a project to the National Assembly (Parliament) through which Canal 11 would soon become the *Servicio Estatal de Radio y Televisión*, with a new perspective in terms of its mission towards its audience.

The institution is in a very crucial moment where it needs its staff to acknowledge its new role with general and practical workshops that will help them correct former propaganda practices that have nothing to do with the current SER TV and the mission it wishes to develop.

SER TV will be carrying the training schedule in collaboration with the Panama National University, which will issue a certificate to each of the participants as an academic acknowledgement of the workshops and seminars.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The fact that this training schedule will be carried out both in the private and public sectors as well as with the best graded students of the Communications (journalism) Department of the National University, will ensure a large number of journalists working under the project's objectives standards.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

SER TV will carry out the monitoring, with regular reports to the regional UNESCO Office in San José. Also, SER TV will be appointing a person who will permanently work in the institution and receive feedback from the viewers regarding the station's contents (*Defensor del Televidente*) [Defender of the Viewers].

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

SER TV will make a report of each of the workshops, with a final report regarding the entire activities.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

SER TV will be responsible for the evaluations carried out during the project.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/3PAN/27 350-PAN-31 15,000		Panama	1982 -1990
350-PAN-51 350-PAN-71 350-PAN-91	35,000 35,000 20,000	Audio-visual training for development	
PDC/14PAN/01 352-PAN-41	25,000	Publishing equipment for training in journalism	1994 -1997
PDC/18PAN/01 352-PAN-81	30,000	Foster youth participation in the media	1998 -1999
PDC/19PAN/01 352-PAN-91	30,000	Strengthening and development of radio	1999 -2000
PDC/21 PAN/01 353-PAN-5011	20,000	Continuing education programme for journalists	2003 -2004
PDC/48 PAN/01 354-PAN-5041	18,000	Promotion of media pluralism in Panamanian rural communities	2005 - 2006
		Total Panama: US\$ 228,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

SER TV has carried out several workshops, specifically for internal use, in order to convey acknowledgment in terms of what the notion of "public media, educational and cultural Radio and Television" is to the station's staff.

The first of the workshops – with Omar Rincón, who is one of the most important specialists on public and cultural Television in Latin America – was devised for the directors, heads of departments and area managers.

The second – with José Ignacio López Vigil – was a workshop on community radio, for all radio journalists, producers and area managers. It was crucial for the new perspective of production, and helped design the present programme grid in the radio area.

In the third 4-day workshop, Mauricio Mosquera, a specialist on educational television, led the discussion with SER TV's producers. All of these workshops have resulted in a substantial change of attitude in production and news departments, regarding the new role and responsibilities towards the community.

Furthermore, an RTVE (Spain) consultant sent by the O.E.I. (*Organización de Estados Iberoamericanos*) was invited for two weeks in order to analyse SER TV's present change of structure and help organise priorities and training needs. Part of the result of this analysis was the recognition of the need to strengthen the News Department in order to achieve a more "public service" attitude.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
4 workshops (including airfares and accommodation):	31 500
Printed material, DVDs and CDs:	1 000
Monitoring:	1 000
TOTAL:	33 500

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Project coordinator:	5 000
Programme coordinator:	5 000
Rental of facilities:	1 500
10 one-hour programmes for broadcast:	50 000
Broadcast time (10 hours):	20 000
TOTAL:	81 500

PERÚ

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION									
1.	TITLE	RED RADIAL AMAZONICA								
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 PER/01								
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community and educational radios								
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resources development; Radio production in native languages								
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National								
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial								
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 38 700								
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 30 500								
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Red Radial Amazonica, Macro Región Oriente								
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Radio Oriente de Yurimaguas (associated with Coordinadora Nacional de Radio)								
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Loreto								
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Geovanni Acate Coronel, Director of <i>Radio</i> Oriente de Yurimaguas								
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU									

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Most of Amazonian natives are in situation of poverty and have scarce participation in the design and implementation of public politics, because they are practically excluded of the decision process in the local and regional political issues. In the commercial environment of the media, natives have little presence and their appearances has often to do with distorted images of reality, presenting them as subject of jeer facing the *mestizo*, white and coastal population.

However, natives have developed, over the last years, organisation levels for ethnic groups that have allowed them to strengthen their capacity of integration, necessary to be actors in the implementation of public and political activities.

Radio Oriente – Vicariato Apostolico of Yurimaguas has been promoting, for 39 years, the use of the media for education, evangelism, information and entertainment. The station's activity is dedicated to the exposure of social and economical injustices; but it is also is a space to discuss proposals for change and development.

Because of its experience, this radio station constitutes the key piece in the defence of human rights and cultural patrimony of the disadvantaged populations of the area, particularly the 8 ethnic groups of the Vicarage, which belong to the excluded social sectors; they are victims of the colonisation of the forest and the pillage of natural and ecological resources. The drug traffic and the environmental impacts of the extractive activities (hydrocarbons and forest) are not only affecting their habitat but also their survival. The project's activities will focus on four ethnic groups with which the participating radios have established close relationship in terms of communication and cooperation.

The main objective of Red Radial Amazonica, made up of six radio stations, is to promote better information for excluded sectors, especially the native communities. Red Radial Amazonica, a member of the *Coordinadora Nacional de Radio*, has established strategic alliances with several institutions in the area.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The project has two audience sectors: radios, educational / community communicators of Red Amazonica Peruana, and native populations of four ethnic groups: Chayahuita, Aguaruna, Quechua of Lamas and Cocama-Cocamilla.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To develop the capacities of community and educational radios associated with Red Radial Amazonica, so that they can strengthen their action in favour of education and civic information, foster a dialogue between political and social actors and contribute to the design, implementation and monitoring of local and regional politics.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

The project aims at promoting the participation of excluded native populations of the Amazon region, in the context of the decentralisation and regional development process. In order to achieve this goal, the capacities of educational and community radios of Red Radial Amazonica should be strengthened, and informative / educational productions should be supported.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

The project has three main components:

Training

Training activities for journalists, producers and communication agents of the native communities, through one regional workshop (one day) and three 2-day local workshops.

PRODUCTION

Each radio and Red Radial Amazonica will carry out an intense work of production of informative and educational programmes to disseminate democratic and pluralistic information on the decentralisation process, regional integration and local development planning to native populations and the citizens in general. It is foreseen to produce in Spanish and in native languages of the ethnic groups involved in the project.

PUBLIC DEBATE

Debates and proposals will be carried out, regarding problems, potentialities and contributions from native communities to the process of local development, planning and participative budgets.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- Regional workshop with journalists and producers of Red Radial de Amazonía;
- 3 local workshops in Tarapoto, Iquitos and Yurimaguas;
- 3 public forums on problematic and proposals of native community's development;
- 20 journalists and producers of the network, qualified in the project activities;
- 120 native communication agents, with competence in development issues;
- A native population informed of its rights, presenting proposals on development and strengthening civic participation.

7. ACTIVITIES

- Assessment of training requirements for the radio teams and communication development agents;
- Design of the methodology and selection of educational materials;
- Selection and notification of the participants in the workshops;
- Follow-up and coordination of the project;
- Specification of the thematic agenda, virtual discussions on topics every two weeks;
- Production of local information by each of the participant radios;
- Thematic and technical coordination for the production of an informative bulletin and a debate programme on the network;
- Specification and methodology of the thematic contents of the forums;
- Selection and notification of the participants;
- Systematisation of contributions and conclusions of the forums;
- Publication and dissemination of the main proposals stemming from the forums.

8. WORK PLAN

ACTIVITY	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7	Month 8	Month 9
Collection of the requirements and training expectations	X								
Design of contents and methodology	X								
Regional workshop		X							
Local workshops	X	X							
Production and dissemination of local programmes		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Production and dissemination of decentralised weekly programmes; informative bulletins			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Production and dissemination of analysis and debate programmes			X	X	X	X	X	X	
Definition of thematic contents and methodology			X	X					
Selection of participants and notifications for the forums				X					
3 public forums					X	X	X		
Systematisation and dissemination of the results								X	X
Mid-term report					X				
Technical and financial final report									X

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

The project will be coordinated by *Radio Oriente del Vicariato Apostólico de Yurimaguas*. This station belongs to the Catholic Church, with the objective of strengthening social development, integration and democracy in the regions of Loreto and San Martín. Due to its experience, it constitutes a key piece in the defence of human rights and of the cultural patrimony of the disadvantaged populations of the area, particularly of the 8 ethnic groups of the Vicarage.

Radio stations of Red Radial de la Amazonia: *Macro Region Oriente* of *Coordinadora Nacional de Radio*, and mainly *Radio La Voz de la Selva* of Iquitos and *Radio Prodemu*, of Tarapoto will also participate.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The radio stations that participate in the network also aim at educational goals and community development, with specific political projects in favour of development and democratisation. These stations are Red Radial de la Amazonía, which belongs to the CNR system. Thus, the topics and strategies of the project will be incorporated by the radios of the network.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The monitoring will be in charge of *Radio Oriente of Yurimaguas*, supported by the CNR National Office. Besides, it will also specify the framework of the progress reports and the final report, in accordance with UNESCO.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Radio Oriente of Yurimaguas proposes to elaborate the progress reports and the final activity report.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/7PER/01 350-PER-71	35,000	Peru	1986 –1988
		Multi-Media Techniques for Literacy Teaching	
PDC/9PER/01 350-PER-91	30,000	Computerization of Andina: Agencia Peruana de Noticias y Publicidad	1989 -1991
PDC/14PER/01 352-PER-41	24,000	Community cultural television	1994 -1996
PDC/16PER/01 352-PER-71	40,000	Communication to Promote Citizens' Participation	1996 -1998
PDC/196PER/01 352-PER-91	30,000	Radio Production Centre for the Promotion of Education and Culture	1999 -2001
PDC/24 PER /01 354-PER-5031	25,000	Strengthening production capabilities of local TV stations	2004-2005
PDC/48 PER/01 354-PER-5041	20,000	Radio and democracy: Participation of the disadvantaged and excluded sectors of the Peruvian society in the decentralisation process	2005 -2006
PDC/49 PER/01 354-PER-5051	12,000	TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR JOURNALIST ON THE CULTURE OF PEACE IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN PARTICIPATIVE DEMOCRACY	2006-2007
		<u> Total Peru: US\$ 216,000</u>	

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
Design and implementation of the workshops:	3 000			
Regional workshop (participants' fare, accommodation and subsistence, premises and equipment):	4 000			
3 local workshops (\$ 1 500 each):	4 500			
Selection of educational materials:				
Production and local broadcasting of information data and debates:	6 000			
Production and local broadcasting of 2 bulletins by <i>Red Radial Amazonica</i> :	3 800			
Production of debate programmes by Red Radial Amazonica:	3 200			
Use of satellite system (CNR):	2 000			
Operational expenses:	1 500			
Monitoring:	1 000			
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>30 500</u>			

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Use of satellite system (CNR):	1 500				
Operational expenses:	1 500				
Design and notification of public forums:	1 200				
3 public forums (Tarapoto, Iquitos and Yurimaguas):	3 000				
Systematisation and dissemination of the results of the forums:	2 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>9 200</u>				

ST. KITTS & NEVIS

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION						
1.	TITLE	STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY THROUGH COMMUNITY MEDIA					
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 STK/01					
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio, television, the Internet					
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Media pluralism; community media; Human resource development					
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National					
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial					
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 60 500					
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 32 600					
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	St. Kitts & Nevis Information Service (SKNIS)					
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	St. Kitts & Nevis Information Service					
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	St. Kitts					
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Mahlon Goma / Glen Bart / Giles Dickenson					
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU						

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis was dominated for decades by a single government-owned radio and television station. In later years, two politically based newspapers were established, one pro-government and the other supporting the opposition. A change in the government's communications policy five years ago to encourage the development of a pluralistic media in the Federation has led to the emergence of a number of commercial radio stations and newspapers. In this new landscape, the Government Information Service (SKNIS) has determined that in order to strengthen media pluralism, a shift is required from the traditional role it has played over the years as a provider of government information to that of a public broadcaster. It is a move that the government of St. Kitts and Nevis believes to be in the best interest of both the government and people of these islands, so that democracy is not only preserved but also strengthened. Within this context, SKNIS proposes a project that will assist it, as it places greater emphasis on the production of informative, educational and entertaining programmes that build national identity and involve the diverse groups and communities that make up the Federation.

Furthermore, SKNIS believes that in the context of a free and pluralistic media, there is much to be gained from providing mechanisms that encourage direct media participation by community groups, non-governmental organisations and individuals. This is one of the best ways to unite people from various sectors, classes, parties, generations and genders, so that they can work on common problems and find solutions together. Additionally, the more community members utilise the media as a way of participating in local and national governance, the richer the local and national dialogue of St. Kitts and Nevis will be, and the more democracy and pluralism in the country will flourish.

It is SKNIS' vision that this project will strengthen the democracy of St. Kitts and Nevis by facilitating increased media participation of community members in programme making, thereby contributing to SKNIS' new public broadcasting thrust. The project will target 20 residents drawn from 3 parishes in St. Kitts, and over the long term, it will involve more communities in similar activities.

This project proposes the following solutions:

- ➤ The establishment of a media production centre to provide community members with the medium and tools to access information and produce and disseminate media products, making them participants in the media and creating diverse programming for public broadcasting purposes;
- The training of community members, so that they gain the necessary skills and knowledge to fully participate in the media as creators of media content;
- ➤ The creation of TV/radio programmes that present avenues for local expression on community and national issues and that showcase the culture and diversity of the Federation. These programmes will be disseminated through the broadcasting framework of the St. Kitts and Nevis Information Service (SKNIS).

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

- CBOs and NGOs:
- > Schools and church groups;
- > Residents of three communities.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- > To train 20 persons from a number of communities in television and radio programme making and in Internet use over a one-year period.
- To produce a series of radio and television programmes that will reflect the diversity of the nation, while serving the educational, informational and entertainment needs of the viewers.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

To strengthen democracy and pluralism in St. Kitts by empowering residents to gather information and produce programmes on the issues that affect them and that showcase the diversity and culture of the people of St. Kitts and Nevis.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- Equipment: Video cameras and tripods, lighting kits, digital still cameras, audio recorders, microphones, photocopier, telephone.
- <u>Training</u>: Trainers, training materials, desktop computers, computers devised for audio/video editing, audio and video software and licenses, Internet connection, institutional overheads; project coordinator.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

20 persons trained in the following:

- Production of news and special features for radio and television;
- Production of community-centred programmes;
- Production of TV/radio spots on pertinent issues;
- The use of the Internet to source and disseminate information and hold discussions.

Also:

- A functional media production centre;
- 6 television and 3 radio programmes produced by the participants.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES AND WORK PLAN</u>

<u>Month 1</u>: Project coordinator assigned; initial community participants targeted and secured;

community-based management Committee established.

Months 1-3: Project site prepared; equipment purchased and installed.

Month 3: Training consultants identified and contracted.

Month 4: Training curriculum and work plan designed.

Training initiated; monitoring and evaluation.

Month 5: Management systems and procedures developed for multimedia operations.

Months 6-12: Production of TV/radio programmes; multimedia centre open for community

usage; monitoring and evaluation; TV/radio productions broadcast through St.

Kitts and Nevis Information Service; monitoring and evaluation.

8. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The project will be implemented and managed by the St. Kitts and Nevis Information Service (SKNIS), the Information and Public Relations department of the government under the ministry of Information and Technology. SKNIS is mandated not only to promote government's programmes

and activities, but also to engage the population in meaningful discourse on developmental issues. This programme falls within this context, while supporting the government's move towards greater transparency and good governance.

9. SUSTAINABILITY

- Establishment of a supervisory Committee made up of community members;
- Promotion of the project through the publicising of its achievements;
- Partnership with the Ministry of Education to offer certified training programmes to community members at the centre;
- Agreement with media houses to allow the Community multimedia centre to sell advertising or place PBS-type acknowledgements at the beginning and end of programmes from sponsors, thereby earning revenue to keep the centre going.

10. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

SKNIS intends to invite the University of the West Indies Centre, which has expertise in programme monitoring, to monitor the project.

11. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

An informal baseline evaluation activity has been carried out to ascertain from community members whether there is need for and interest in a project of this nature. It is SKNIS' intention to continue to engage community members to participate in regular evaluations of the programme.

12. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

SKNIS will report on the project on a four-month basis or upon request from UNESCO/IPDC.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/9STK/01		ST. KITTS & NEVIS
350-STK-91	32,000	Improvement of radio production facilities of the Government Broadcasting Service
PDC/13STK/01 352-STK-31	32,000	Establishment of an Educational Media Unit
		Total St.KITTS and Nevis: US\$ 64,000

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

The broad-based Community Management Committee will lead the project on behalf of the communities involved.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
Human resources			
Project coordinator:	4 000		
Production trainer:	4 000		
Technical trainer:	4 000		
Equipment			
2 mini-DV cameras:	4 000		
Cabling:	350		
2 tripods:	400		
Digital still camera:	340		
3 portable digital recorders:	410		
4 microphones:	100		
2 lighting units:	1 000		
DV video rec./player:	1 850		
3 computer workstations:	6 000		
2 computers with professional editing software:	5 000		
Printer:	150		
Monitoring:	1 000		
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>32 600</u>		

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
Human resources				
Journalism/production trainer:	4 000			
Technical trainer:	4 000			
Administration and overheads				
Venue rental:	4 500			
Utilities:	2 000			
Furniture:	2 000			
Administrative and production materials:	2 500			
Telecommunications:	1 500			
Office equipment:	2 500			
Stationery:	400			
Transport (participants):	3 000			
Monitoring and evaluation:	1 500			
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>27 900</u>			

ST. KITTS & NEVIS

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION						
1.	TITLE	DIGITISATION OF AUDIO-VISUAL ARCHIVES OF ZIZ BROADCASTING CORPORATION					
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 STK/02					
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio and television					
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Capacity building; human resource development					
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National					
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial					
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 46 000					
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 36 000					
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation; The people of St. Kitts & Nevis					
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation					
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	St. Kitts					
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation					
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU						

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

There are currently 7 radio stations in St Kitts & Nevis. ZIZ is a state-owned national radio station which broadcasts on AM and FM bands. The other stations are privately owned. Most of them, including ZIZ, also have websites. ZIZ Television (ZBC) is the only local television station in St Kitts, while there are 2 commercial cable operators, one in St Kitts and another in Nevis. The St Kitts Government Information Service (GIS) operates through ZIZ (shared programme time); a separate cable channel is assigned to GIS through the cable network in Nevis. While ZBC is a national station, it does not receive any subvention from the government and runs its own affairs.

ZIZ TV is however hindered in its attempts to meet audience needs because of outdated equipment (over 15 years old in some cases) and because its library is full of video material (dating back to 20 years) recorded on analogue/VHS tapes, a situation which makes the material largely inaccessible and threatens its very preservation. In addition, media professionals are not sufficiently trained on digital archiving and the related technologies.

ZBC, being the only television station in Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis, has collected footage for more than 20 of its 34 years of existence that cannot be found anywhere else. This content is considered priceless and often sought after by government agencies as well as by the public.

In addition, the youth segment of ZBC audience now looks increasingly to the Internet as a source of information. While ZIZ has the facility to stream audio and visual content online, the inaccessibility of material from its archives has made it impossible for the station to make the best use of this technology. Should this project receive the necessary funding, ZIZ Television would then be able to expose the large youth population in the Federation to the history of the country and make information from its archives readily available for public usage.

This project involves the training of staff to undertake conversion of its video archives from analogue/VHS to digital base, and the provision of the necessary equipment to that end.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries will be the staff of the ZIZ Radio, ZIZ Television and professionals from other media houses in St. Kitts & Nevis, as well as the government. The people of the Federation will ultimately be the beneficiaries of a wider range of historical programmes.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To train a team of 15 media professionals and workers to professionally digitise the libraries of the radio and television stations, including, storage, transfer and cataloguing.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

This project will contribute to enhance the content diversity of the media in St. Kitts & Nevis, while preparing the public to better communicate on matters of community and national importance. It will help broadening the knowledge base of the people of the Federation, preparing them to better participate in the governance and democracy of their communities and country through the exposure to a more diverse historical content on St. Kitts & Nevis.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- 2 trainers;
- Training materials;
- Equipment;
- Digital software;
- Administrative resources.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- 15 media professional/workers trained in digital archiving;
- An upgraded digital archival /library system;
- Improvement in the variety of content broadcasts to public.

7. <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

- Establishing the project management team;
- Implementing the supervisory /monitoring team;
- Identifying the work processes and objectives;
- Acquisition and installation of equipment;
- Identify the trainers;
- Preparation of training materials;
- Identification of the trainees;
- Conduct training sessions;
- Preparation of manuals and CD-ROM;
- Preparation of monitoring and evaluation reports;
- Digitisation of media content.

8. WORK PLAN

Month 1: Establishing the project management team; implementing the supervisory and

monitoring team.

Months 1-2: Identifying the work processes and objectives.

Months 3-4: Acquisition and installation of equipment; identification of the trainers.

Months 4-5: Preparation of training materials.

Month 6: Conduct training sessions and preparation of manual and CD-ROM for future

training on the system operation.

Months 6-12: Transfer/digitisation of archival material.

Continuous: Monitoring and evaluation.

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

The ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation will be the lead implementing agency with the General Manager heading the project management team, along with other members of the company's management staff. The supervisory team would be led by the head of the Television Department. Training would be performed through collaboration with the Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU).

10. SUSTAINABILITY

An updated digital system will allow for easy access to information and the ability to create programmes on events of significance, thereby providing additional revenue sources to the ZBC. Local advertisers are always interested in new programming, and with this scope for additional revenue, the ZBC will be able to sustain the library and provide continuous training to its staff.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

ZBC recommends that a joint UNESCO / CBU team carries out the monitoring.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

The management and staff of ZBC have assessed the circumstances under which the Library has been forced to operate and deem this project a necessity. This urgent need has been incorporated into the strategic development plans of the Corporation.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The ZBC will ensure that evaluation reports are prepared on a quarterly basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

The Federation of St Kitts-Nevis has benefited from the IPDC. The ZBC has also benefited some 8 years ago, when the Radio Department was being updated.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

The ZBC will cover costs related to overtime pay for staff involved in the activities, project management, supervision and administrative support, technical support, maintenance, security and transportation. Assistance has been sought from the government Office, directly associated with the ZBC for support in areas concerning the installation of equipment.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
3 video editing and conversion workstations:	12 000			
3 software licenses (Adobe PremierSuite):	5 000			
3 U-Matic players:	3 000			
2 consultants for training and advisory services:	10 000			
Training materials:	5 000			
Monitoring:	1 000			
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>36 000</u>			

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)				
Installation of equipment:	1 000			
Administrative expenses (including staffing):	3 700			
Miscellaneous (supplies):	300			
Storage:	5 000			
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>10 000</u>			

SAINT LUCIA

	A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION						
1.	TITLE SOUFRIERE COMMUNITY AND MULTIMEDIA CENTRE						
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 STL/01					
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community radio; community multimedia Centres					
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Community media; human resource development; promotion of pluralistic media					
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National					
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Technical and financial					
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 55 000					
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 31 000					
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Soufriere Regional Development Foundation (SRDF)					
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Soufriere Regional Development Foundation					
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Soufriere					
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Soufriere Regional Development Foundation					
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU						

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

There are eight radio stations in Saint Lucia, seven of them being privately owned. Radio St. Lucia is state-owned. Private companies own all four television stations. The Government Information Service (GIS) operates a local cable television channel under the principles of Public Service Broadcasting. The extent to which the objectives of PSB are achieved is however quite questionable. The mass media operates in a liberalised environment with regulatory entities responsible for broadcast licenses and frequency authorisation. However, none of the media institutions sufficiently strives to incorporate the interests of the most poverty-stricken and marginalised sectors.

The main problem faced by radio and television as communication channels for development in St Lucia is that the public perceives that their major role is to provide entertainment. The packages include material that largely disseminates North American values. While some people have the opportunity to express their views on different subjects through "call-in programmes" on radio and television, the topics are always chosen by the producers, and are generally urban-centric. These "call-in programmes" seldom deal with issues that impact directly on the lives of rural communities. Additionally, the prevailing opinions articulated in the media marked by a liberal tendency in all domains. Furthermore, the local $Kw\acute{e}y\grave{o}l$ language is not very widely used in the media, and certainly not in proportion to the percentage of the population that speaks fluently only in that language; this factor limits audience participation, as many do not feel confident to use the official language to participate in discussions on issues that concern them.

In order to encourage a balanced flow of information from and into rural and marginalised communities, opportunities for communities to develop media programmes that are important to them and deal with subjects and issues that are chosen by them, are needed.

This project seeks to establish a community multimedia Centre with a radio station, in order to improve the access of residents of the Soufriere community to public debates and provide them opportunities to influence the agenda on national policy formulation as it affects their daily lives. The project further intends to develop the broadcasting capacity of community members to administrate and manage the community station.

In a recent survey conducted by the *Soufriere Regional Development Foundation* (SRDF), 90% of the respondents indicated that unemployment was a high priority issue for discussion on community radio. This was followed by HIV / AIDS, tourism matters, delinquency, environment, education and sports.

It is expected that providing access to community voices will facilitate the growth and development of the small rural communities and their tangible and non-tangible resources, all rooted in their cultural forms (language, song, dance, traditional technology etc.) The Soufriere Regional Development Foundation is therefore requesting UNESCO's support to establish St Lucia's first community multimedia centre and radio station.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

➤ The immediate beneficiaries of the project are the 45 persons who will be trained in the skills of community media.

➤ The secondary beneficiaries are the residents and young people of the Soufriere community (including community groups and NGOs: Mothers and Fathers Groups, Farmers' organisations/cooperatives, sports clubs etc).

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

Soufriere community multimedia centre is operational and broadcasting regular, quality radio programming on local socio-economic issues, especially concerning youth employment

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

Free and equitable access to mass media tools will contribute to community participation in processes relating to governance and sustainable development.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

<u>Equipment</u>: Production, transmission and related materials for the establishment of the community multimedia Centre with a radio station. This also includes a studio, computers with software, field audio and video recorders.

<u>Trainers</u>: To teach 45 community members, including 15 women and 15 students, NGO representatives, youth and students, the elderly and related target groups in community media skills such as radio production, journalism, on-air broadcasting and community media management.

<u>Project Coordinator</u>: This is to be led and financed by the *Soufriere Regional Development Foundation*.

<u>Facility to house community radio / overheads</u>: The <u>Soufriere Regional Development Foundation</u> will cover overhead costs

Training materials.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- > Community mass media Centre established and operational;
- > Community media management structure established;
- ➤ 45 community members trained in broadcasting and media production:
- ➤ 40 hours of programming produced and broadcast. (The programmes will use appropriate techniques to engage in dialogue on issues in the community: delinquency, teenage pregnancy, tourism education developed);
- ➤ Increased participation of the community in the media, using the multimedia Centre and programmes produced and broadcast by the Centre.

7. ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Basic survey of issues affecting the community, awareness, possible solutions and how community radio/new technologies can help;
- > Establishment of a project Management Committee;
- > Establishment of community Advisory Board;
- Selection of participants;
- Community consultation to develop policy, operations and scope of the Community Multimedia Centre:
- Training workshops on audio/video production, Internet, databases and NT, content for target audiences, training of trainers;
- ➤ Installation of equipment;

- Programming and duty schedule;
- Production and broadcast of programmes;
- > Evaluation and monitoring at various stages of the project.

8. WORK PLAN

Activities	Timeline											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Community consultation, survey, development of problems, solutions and indicator matrix												
Selection of project coordinator												
Identification and selection of trainees												
Identification and recruitment of trainers / consultants												
Acquisition and installation of equipment												
Testing of system												
Reporting and evaluation												
Implementation of training												
Production of local content programmes												
Official on-air opening												
Evaluation and monitoring												

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

- ➤ The project will be implemented by a team of volunteers led by the Soufriere Regional Development Foundation and two short-term consultants;
- A project Management Committee, made up of expertise in the various fields and representatives of community organisations, will oversee and supervise implementation.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

As with other radio stations in St Lucia, the Soufriere Community Radio will be made self-sufficient and sustainable through the sale of on-air advertisement, accessing funds from external funding sources, community level fund-raising activities and the establishment of an Advisory Committee to enable community ownership made up of national and community organisations (led by the Soufriere Regional Development Foundation).

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

We propose that monitoring be undertaken by a consultant with the support of a sub-committee from the group steering the implementation of the project.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

An assessment was undertaken (through a questionnaire) among 108 residents in all the communities of Soufriere. Additionally, a focus group was also held with experienced radio broadcasters on the feasibility and sustainability of a community radio station and possible advertising revenues sources. The results indicated that 91% of the respondents welcomed a community radio station in Soufriere; 80% cited poor or very poor coverage of their community by

mainstream media, and 59% stated that they would be willing to offer financial support if the community station were to became a reality.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The Management Committee will submit reports every quarter to UNESCO. They will include progress reports and notes from the Advisory Committee meetings.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/8STL/01 350-STL-81	25,000	Saint-Lucia	1986 -1988
		Improvement of studio production facilities at Radio St.Lucia	
PDC/14STL/01 352-STL-41	43,000	Strengthening of the FM broadcasting capabilities of the Saint Lucia Broadcasting Corporation	1994 -1996
PDC/48 STL/01 354-STL-5041	15,000	Training for the digital newsroom at Radio St Lucia	2005 - 2006
		Total Saint Lucia: US\$ 83,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

- Research was conducted among the Soufriere communities to ascertain the communications needs and whether residents would support the community station;
- ➤ Discussions were held with local NGOs/CBOs to explain the scope of the project and funding sought and to encourage buy-in.
- ➤ The Soufriere Regional Development Foundation identified a potential space to house the project. It also started the application process for a broadcast license concerning the community radio station

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

The Agency will provide space for housing of the CMC and will meet the recurrent operating costs, including sharing of support staff and utilities. It will also finance cost of government licenses for operation and frequency.

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
Studio and audio field production equipment:	5 000		
Multimedia equipment (video cameras, computers, software, fax, photocopier) and internet connectivity	10 000		
Transmission equipment (FM transmitter, antennae, cabling, connectors etc.)			
Training delivery and materials			
Programme development workshops and radio / video productions:			
Survey, consultation:	500		
Monitoring:	1 000		
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>31 000</u>		

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
Project Coordinator:	6 000		
Researcher / evaluation reports:	1 800		
Offices, maintenance and services:			
Administrative support:			
Consultation on community participation:			
Broadcast application, license and frequency fees:			
Installation of equipment:			
Utilities:			
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>24 000</u>		

SAINT LUCIA

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION					
1.	TITLE	RADIO PROGRAMME SCHEDULING AND PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES			
2.	NUMBER	PDC51 STL/02			
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Radio production and broadcasting			
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Human resource development			
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National			
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial			
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 47 000			
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 28 500			
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd.			
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd.			
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Radio St. Lucia			
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd.			
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU				

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The development of the broadcast media in St. Lucia – and radio in particular – has followed the same pattern as in most of the Caribbean, with state-owned systems enjoying a monopoly in the early stages, followed by a rapid expansion of the sector in the wake of government liberalisation. Unfortunately, this largely unplanned expansion did not allow for commensurate training, with the result that this sector now suffers from an acute shortage of trained or skilled media workers at all levels of the broadcast industry.

In a recent study, for each of the broadcast stations surveyed, less than one third of the staff had received formal training. Nor is there a culture of providing skills training to staff. Much training is carried out on-the-job to the extent that the new crop of 'experienced' broadcasters has only been in the business, sometimes for less than a year. In that environment, radio programming is dominated by DJ-type sessions and call-in programmes, hosted by inexperienced or untrained broadcasters (extremely loose use of the term) who know little more (and often less) than their callers about the issues being discussed.

On the equipment side, the transition to digital technology is nearly complete, but the impact of this new technology has not translated into more or better programmes, particularly on radio. There is still much to be done in improving journalistic practice and processes to ensure that the station is fulfilling a critical component of its mandate – to provide accurate, reliable, and credible information to citizens. The availability of the skills to do this among the core staff at Radio St. Lucia is severely limited. Indeed, these skills are not readily available in St. Lucia.

This project specifically addresses the lack of training in audience research and the developments of programming schedules that are more diverse in content, formats and programme genres, as well as the lack of radio programme production skills. It intends to develop a cadre of independent producers, particularly in the rural communities, who will be able to contribute rural issues to mainstream programming while earning a living from a non-traditional activity: radio production. Alternative solutions are to pursue the rare opportunities for scholarships in these fields.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries of the project are the staff of the Programme Department at Radio St. Lucia and at least 10 freelance producers from rural communities in St. Lucia.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

- To undertake a survey of the St. Lucia media market and audience and develop mechanisms for creating programme schedules more appropriate for providing public service broadcasting;
- ➤ To train at least 17 persons in radio production techniques, including planning, research, interviewing, scripting, editing, presentation and post-production for various formats and genres.

4. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

The training in mechanisms for developing programming schedules will help to ensure that media in St Lucia are better able to meet the information needs of the citizens.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- ➤ Researchers;
- > Trainers;
- > Training workshops;
- > Equipment and materials;
- > Administrative overheads.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- A report on the media market and audience;
- ➤ A revised programme schedule for Radio St. Lucia that addresses the imbalance in genres, formats, styles, and diversity of radio programming offerings;
- > Operational guidelines for programme planning, coordination, reviews and scheduling;
- ➤ At least 17 persons trained in radio programme production and on-air presentation techniques;
- A documented on-air style guide;
- > Training materials including modules, manuals, and/or CD-ROMs, available for continuous inhouse training.

7. ACTIVITIES

- > Establishment of a project Management Committee;
- Confirmation of a project monitoring agency;
- Preparation of training outline, goals and objectives;
- ➤ Identification and recruitment of researchers and trainers;
- Conduct of research and preparation of research report;
- Selection of freelance potential producers;
- Preparation of training modules, manuals and materials;
- Conduct of workshops and delivery of training modules;
- Submission of project progress reports;
- > Project evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

Activities / Months	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Establishment of project Management Committee								
Confirmation of project monitoring agency								
Preparation of training outline, goals and objectives								
Identification and recruitment of researchers and trainers								
Conduct of research								
Preparation of research findings								
Selection of potential freelance producers								
Development of programming schedules								
Preparation of training modules, manuals and materials								
Organisation and conduct of workshops								
Delivery of training modules								
Submission of project progress reports								
Project evaluation								

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd., through a project Management Committee headed by the General Manager and comprising the members of the Board of Directors' Human Resource Development Committee and other members of the Company's management team, will implement the project. The project Management Committee will work closely with the University of the West Indies' Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication (CARIMAC) in the identification of trainers and in preparing and delivering the training workshops.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The improved programming schedule, the training and documented mechanisms for periodic programme planning, review and scheduling will ensure ongoing and regular improvements in the station's programming and scheduling. They will drive the demand for the station, making it more attractive to the advertisers on whom the station relies for the majority of its revenues. Increased incomes will allow the station to continue to invest in human resource development and to commission freelance producers trained under the project, with a view to broadening the station's programme offerings, while at the same time providing a greater voice to the rural communities.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

The local UNESCO Office can monitor the project progress.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Various evaluations of the needs of the station and the necessity and timeliness of such a project have been carried out. These include assessments by the General Manager and a diagnosis of the company performed by consultants contracted by the Office of Private Sector Relations. These evaluations have been incorporated in the Strategic Planning Exercise held in March and April 2004, and a 5-year Business Plan developed for the Company by consultants appointed by the Office of Private Sector Relations. Copies of these reports are available.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Radio St. Lucia undertakes to report on project progress every two months or upon request from UNESCO/IPDC.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/8STL/01 350-STL-81	25,000	Saint-Lucia	1986 -1988
		Improvement of studio production facilities at Radio St.Lucia	
PDC/14STL/01 352-STL-41	43,000	Strengthening of the FM broadcasting capabilities of the Saint Lucia Broadcasting Corporation	1994 -1996
PDC/48 STL/01 354-STL-5041	15,000	Training for the digital newsroom at Radio St Lucia	2005 - 2006
		Total Saint Lucia: US\$ 83,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd. is currently undergoing a major restructuring and refinancing programme. A strategic planning exercise has been completed and a new business plan has been prepared with the assistance of a European Union-funded government agency and the Office of Private Sector Relations (OPSR). Over the past two years, the company has improved its operational efficiency, budgeting and financial management, and is beginning to show signs of growth.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Radio St. Lucia Company Ltd. will contribute the following to this project: management and supervision; technical and maintenance support; funding for the initial purchase of equipment; training premises; office space; administrative support; ground transportation.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
Researchers: fees, travel and subsistence (25 man/days):			
2 trainers:			
Travel and subsistence:			
Production of training materials:			
Monitoring:	1 000		
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>28 500</u>		

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
Acquisition of equipment and software:	8 000		
Administrative expenses:	6 000		
Supplies (technical):	4 500		
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>18 500</u>		

ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION					
1.	TITLE	DESIGN, MANAGEMENT, WRITING AND EDITING FOR IMPROVED INFORMATION DISSEMINATION			
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 STV /01			
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Print / electronic media			
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Promotion of independent and pluralistic media Training of journalists Human resource development			
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National			
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial, training			
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 26 500			
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 19 000			
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	INTERACTIVE MEDIA Ltd., publishers of "SEARCHLIGHT NEWSPAPER"			
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	INTERACTIVE MEDIA Ltd.			
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Kingstown			
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	INTERACTIVE MEDIA Ltd.			
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU				

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Interactive Media Ltd. believes that freedom of speech is the democratic right of each citizen, and should not be limited to those groups who have the power and the know-how to produce and broadcast information. Therefore, for the last two and a half years, Interactive Media Ltd has published news on their website www.searchlight.vc.

Searchlight contributes to democracy by providing access to news on St. Vincent and the Grenadines on its website. However, we are only able to accommodate the publication of three to five letters to the editor weekly. This limits the plurality of information, since there are many more opinions, in particular from the rural communities, women and young people, worthy of publication, which never make it on to our pages due to lack of space. Furthermore, readership trends are changing; many persons, especially younger persons, do not have sufficient time to sit and read a weekend news magazine, but would rather read shorter, more frequently updated breaking stories on the Internet. Additionally, many persons at home and abroad complain that the provision of news on a weekly basis is far too infrequent.

It is proposed that a web unit be set up at Searchlight Newspaper to transform the weekly news website into one which is updated as the news come out. This project will extend the scope of the site in this regard and provide a forum for discussions on national issues. To that end, the journalists at Searchlight would need to be trained in writing and editing content for the web. Additionally, computer hardware and software is needed so that resources can be dedicated to the updating and management of the website on a daily basis.

This project will make written news content available to the general public in real-time as opposed to weekly, as is presently the case in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. The training provided to the journalists will improve the way in which the newspaper communicates with its online readers. This project is therefore seen as one that will not simply provide a news organisation with training for its staff, but one that will enhance democracy in the country by allowing many more voices in our plural society to be heard.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries are the news editors and reporters, the website technicians at Searchlight newspaper, news editors and reporters in the wider media, and ultimately citizens at home and abroad.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

Training for 20 journalists and technicians from Searchlight and from other media houses: 10 editors and reporters trained in web content writing and editing and 10 technicians trained in introduction to web design, website security, website promotion, management of discussion forums, legal issues for web designers and content managers, search engine optimisation, introduction to *Dreamweaver*, among other topics.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

Improving and expanding the newspaper's online presence will make information about St. Vincent and the Grenadines more accessible to Vincentians in all regions of this multi-island state and all over the world. With proper training, the journalists can increase the quality as well as the quantity of information being written from communities all over St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- > Trainer in web content writing and editing;
- > Trainers in website development etc.;
- ➤ Online courses on web development;
- ➤ 2 Macintosh computers and relevant software.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- ➤ 10 journalists will be trained in writing and editing content for the web, and legal issues for web designers and content managers;
- ➤ 10 technicians will be trained in website development;
- ➤ 40% increase in daily news production.

7. ACTIVITIES

- Recruitment and selection of consultants, trainers and online courses;
- ➤ Acquisition of computers and software;
- > Training of journalists and of technical staff;
- Upgrading of website;
- > Production of new programmes;
- > Project evaluation;
- > Final report.

8. WORK PLAN

Activity	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7
Recruitment of trainers and consultants							
Training of journalists							
Training of technical staff							
Acquisition and installation of computers and software							
Upgrading of website							
Production of new programmes							
Interim report							
Project evaluation							
Final report							

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

Interactive Media Ltd. is a private company managed by a Board of Directors elected by shareholders at the company's annual general meeting. The Board sets the policies that are implemented by a management team led by the company's Chief Executive Officer.

Project implementation will be the direct responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer, with the support of the Editor and Head of the technical department of the company.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The personnel trained under the project are presently employees of Interactive Media Ltd. At the completion of the training, the staff members who show a particular aptitude and interest in the work and development of the web unit will be assigned to work specifically on this aspect of work. Interactive Media Ltd. has been in business for the last 11 years, and the news website www.searchlight.vc has been in operation for the last two and a half years. Both the company and the website are already self-sustaining entities.

The scope and functionality of the site will be upgraded into one that provides the public with more timely news and information. This added value should result in increased revenue that will help to ensure that the web unit can keep being self-sustaining.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

We propose that a monitoring committee comprised of representatives from Interactive Media Ltd, UNESCO and a professional web design / content management monitor the project.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

While no formal study has been performed, this project was developed as a result of the company's assessment of its own capacity to meet the information needs of the people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. The feedback that has been received from our audience confirmed the need for our website to be live and for the development of a web unit to support it. We propose an independent contractor to undertake evaluation of the project.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

The beneficiary agency undertakes to report on project progress on a four-month basis, or upon UNESCO request.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country

PDC/8STV/01 350-STV-81	25,000	St.Vincent and the Grenadines	1987 -1989
	ŕ	Establishment of a radio education unit for the Ministry of Education	
PDC/17STV/01 352-STV-71	50,000	Improving Television Service	1997 -1998
PDC/48 STV/01 354-STV-5041	15,000	Enhancing broadcast and production capacity at NBC radio	2005-2006
		Total St. Vincent and the Grenadines: US\$ 90,000	

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Training programme expenses (workshops, trainers etc.):	8 000
Equipment (computers, software etc.)	10 000
Monitoring:	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>19 000</u>

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Staffing (30 hours/week × 24 weeks):	5 400
Secretarial support (5 hours/week × 24 weeks):	900
Preparing space for web unit:	200
Space to house project:	400
Running expenses (electricity, water, communications etc.):	400
Production of quarterly reports:	200
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>7 500</u>

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

	A. PROJECT	IDENTIFICATION							
1.	TITLE	MAYAROLIFE MULTIMEDIA CENTRE							
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 TRI/01							
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community media: radio, television, cable, the Internet							
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Media pluralism, human resource development							
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National							
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial and technical							
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 48 000							
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 37 000							
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Mayarolife Community-based Organisation (CBO)							
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	Mayarolife CBO and Trinidad & Tobago National Commission for UNESCO							
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Nariva / Mayaro, Trinidad							
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	Mayarolife CBO							
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU								

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Despite the activity of the media and the number of channels that disseminate information, Trinidad and Tobago has yet to achieve a truly pluralistic media landscape giving voice to the multiplicity of groups that make up the country. Community stations like *Radio Toco* in Trinidad have however shown that community media have a significant role to play in community mobilisation, media diversity, and in the overall bolstering of media pluralism in Trinidad and Tobago.

The Nariva/Mayaro county is a large bay on the east coast of Trinidad, with some 11 000 residents. According to a 2001 survey, 40% of Mayaro residents lived below the poverty line, with unemployment running at 30%. Not much has changed today. Over the years, the community has had no significant access to the mainstream media, either to articulate its concerns or to help residents to better themselves and their community.

In January 2005, *MayaroLife*, a registered Community Based Organisation (CBO), started working to enrich and develop the lives of the Mayaro residents by implementing educational and motivational seminars/workshops, by hosting special events and by launching a community website. While these activities have resulted in a positive impact on the community, a number of challenges continue to face the residents. One that is of particular concern is the lack of access to the media. *MayaroLife CBO* believes it is suitably placed to implement the proposed multimedia centre (community radio, cable TV and the Internet) to address the "voicelessness" of the Mayaro community.

It is envisioned that the establishment of the Mayaro multimedia Centre, consisting of a community radio, a community television and Internet facilities, together with the training of community members to utilise the facilities, will provide the Mayaro community:

- The means to collect and disseminate community specific information;
- An outlet for the community to express its concerns on local and national issues;
- A supportive environment for the development and expression of community talent;
- ➤ A Natural Disaster Information Centre, providing residents with timely warnings about natural disasters and threatening weather patterns, as well as general safety information;
- Opportunities for training and employment in the mass media.

MayaroLife's community radio and television stations will cover, but will not be limited to, community news and bulletins, teenage and young adults social issues, NGO / CBO projects and programmes, community meetings and school events, issues on local and national governance, entrepreneurship and career education, health and well-being, safety and disaster prevention, talent and cultural expressions, commercials for local business.

2. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS</u>

- > Over 11 000 residents of the Mayaro community;
- Community and NGOs operating in the county;
- > Schools;
- Young people who wish to pursue a career in media;
- ➤ The Mayaro business community.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

A fully equipped community multimedia centre, including radio and television facilities, is operated by members of the Mayaro community, including news broadcasting and programmes relating to disaster preparedness, governance issues and promotion of local culture

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

Increased pluralism and localised input to development planning through access to media facilities and production skills for marginalised populations and communities

5. PROJECT INPUTS

- Equipment: computers with accessories, printers, projector, digital camera, field recorders with microphones, radio studio and transmitter kit;
- ➤ Internet connectivity and charges;
- > Telephone, photocopier;
- > 5 computer workstations;
- ➤ 4 trainers:
- > 2 computers with video editing specifications;
- Video and audio editing software and license;
- Overheads:
- > Facilities to house media Centre.

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

- Operational and accessible community multimedia centre
- ➤ At least 45 Mayaro residents, composed of a majority of young people, trained over a one-year period, including:
 - 15 trained in radio and television production/presentation;
 - 5 trained in the operations and management of the multimedia centre;
 - 5 trained in desktop publishing and use of the Internet;
 - 10 trained in video recording/ graphics/editing;
 - 10 trained in sound recording/broadcasting;
- ➤ Radio and television productions by and for the Mayaro community;

7. ACTIVITIES

- Assignment of a project management team to the project;
- > Recruitment of project coordinator;
- Preparation of site to host the multimedia Centre;
- > Acquisition and installation of equipment;
- > Recruitment of persons trained in media production and Centre management;
- Organisation and conduct of the training programme;
- Production of programmes for radio and television;
- Programming of stations and of staff;
- Production of a desktop-published newsletter;
- ➤ Broadcasting/dissemination of productions;
- ➤ Monitoring and evaluation.

8. WORK PLAN

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Preparation of site												
Assigning of community- based project Coordinating Committee												
Recruitment of project Coordinator												
Acquisition and installation of equipment												
Identification of trainers and procurement of training and materials												
Recruitment of participants		_										
Training workshops for participants												
Production of local content												
Broadcast and dissemination of local content												
Monitoring and reporting												

9. <u>INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK</u>

Since 2005, *MayaroLife* has been working with other community groups, the private sector and individuals to build the Mayaro community. The *MayaroLife* Management Committee, which has developed broad-based relationships and a community network, will be responsible for the implementation of the project. The Committee will receive technical guidance from a group of professional media practitioners who have committed themselves to assisting in the project, while overall implementation guidance will be received from the Trinidad & Tobago UNESCO Commission.

A project Coordinator who reports to the Committee will be employed to manage the day-to-day running of the project, while trained Mayaro residents will conduct the operations of the Centre, scheduling and participating in information gathering and programme production. The radio content will be broadcast through the proposed community radio station, while television productions will go through a Mayaro cable channel that *MayaroLife* has already obtained permission to use.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

MayaroLife will be enlisting the financial and voluntary support of the private sector and other NGOs and CBOs in this regard. It also intends to provide multimedia products and services to local business and community members at a cost. It will be staging various fund-raising events, the proceeds of which will help to sustain the project. Concerning the training component of the project, it is believed that the skills learnt and their use at the multimedia Centre will help to ensure that it is run in an efficient and professional manner, which will in turn contribute to giving the project a long life.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

MayaroLife has enlisted the support of a group of media professionals who will regularly monitor the project. In addition, the UNESCO National Commission will be approached to provide assistance to that end.

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Programme evaluation will be integrated into the project. Questionnaires, focus groups and interviews will be used to collect information on the strengths and weaknesses of all its components, and the information exploited to strengthen it at all stages of its implementation.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

MayaroLife will report on project progress on a quarterly basis.

		C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
Previous IPD PDC/15TRI/01 352-TRI-51		received by the country Trinidad and Tobago	1995 -1997
352-1KI-51	30,000	Rural Information Unit	
		Total Trinidad and Tobago: US\$ 30,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

MayaroLife has already identified a venue to house the project. It has also sensitised Mayaro residents and other community groups about the proposal. A group of media professionals have already committed to providing technical guidance. *MayaroLife* has reached an agreement with a Mayaro cable provider to utilise one of its channels to broadcast the community's TV programmes.

D. BUDGET	
BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION	
(in US dollars)	
Studio equipment: mixing console; multimedia computer; microphones, headsets, monitors; CD/cassette components; cables and connectors	5 000
Portable audio-video recording equipment: 5 audio units	2 000
250 W FM transmission system	6 000
Telecentre equipment: 3 computers with software; printer, scanner, photocopier; other components	6 000
Training workshops: trainers, materials and logistics	8 000
Programme development workshops	4 000
Production materials	2 000
Technical assistance	3 000
Monitoring	1 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>37 000</u>
BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Multimedia computers:	3 000
Training expenses:	4 000
Project coordination:	2 000
Local content development:	2 000
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>11 000</u>

URUGUAY

	A. PROJECT	IDENTIFICATION								
1.	TITLE	COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT								
2.	NUMBER	PDC/51 URG/01								
3.	CATEGORY OF MASS MEDIA	Community radio								
4.	IPDC PRIORITY AREA	Development of community media								
5.	SCOPE (national, regional, interregional)	National								
6.	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED	Financial								
7.	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	US \$ 34 200								
8.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	US \$ 21 000								
9.	BENEFICIARY BODY	Multimedia Community Centres and Community radios of Uruguay								
10.	IMPLEMENTING BODY	RUTELCO (Uruguyan Network of Community Telecentres)								
11.	PROJECT LOCATION	Uruguay (with priority to rural areas)								
12.	PROJECT PREPARED BY	RUTELCO, coordinated by CDI-Uruguay								
	DECISION OF THE BUREAU									

B. PRESENTATION

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

Last decade's technological advancements have produced changes in society in such a way that the information and communication role has been boosted, and access has become a determining factor in people's quality of life, since information and communication are becoming ever more indispensable for their basic needs. In Uruguay, however, this social matter of communication is usually subject to commercial purposes and lies in the hands of a few profit-oriented groups. This high concentration of mass media gives little or none opportunity to the general public for their opinions to be heard or their problems be taken care of. Additionally, in rural areas and especially at the border, Uruguayan radios' broadcast is defective or even nonexistent; therefore, the inhabitants receive only what is being broadcast from the bordering country, thus not participating in their country's events, not even hearing their mother language.

Furthermore, the country has more or less acceptably inserted into the digital society, but the less favoured communities of Montevideo and other major cities' outskirts plus the rural communities are socially and economically excluded. A significant number of community telecentres have been opened due to public and private effort to close the digital gap, but they suffer the same sustainability problems resulting from the lack of appropriation of the tools provided by the beneficiaries and inefficient and/or insufficient use of the available resources.

Community radios have been opened, but they also face problems regarding quality, sustainability, lack of proper capacity building and content management, and they are still very few: a total of 25 in the whole country.

The project seeks to strengthen community multimedia centres (CMCs) through the training of their managers in community promotion, as well as adding the advantages of community radios to the operations of the telecentres and promoting the connection to Internet of a successful radio station in order to widen its reach, as pilot experiments.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE TARGET GROUPS

The immediate beneficiaries will be the communities of three isolated rural centres that will be able to install a community radio in their multimedia centres. They, and another 17 community centres and 10 community radios in several parts of the country, will benefit from training and technical advice on community promotion, community radio management and on the connection of community radio stations to the Internet. On a pilot case, an existing community radio will be connected to Internet broadcasting.

3. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

To strengthen the Community Multimedia Centres (CMC) by providing development tools for 20 communities in Uruguay, through the creation of 3 community radio stations, the training of 50 persons from 10 community radios in community radio content management, and of 200 people in community promotion, and multimedia centres' sustainability during 10 months.

4. <u>DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE</u>

To empower less protected people of Uruguay by providing technological tools for their personal progress.

5. PROJECT INPUTS

The major part of the requested budget will be applied to highly specialised human resources (53.4%), as training and technical consultations are the CMCs' most pressing needs. The experts to be financed by the project will be a telecentre evaluator, a project coordinator, and trainers/advisors on community promotion, on Internet connection and on community radio management.

Historically, the computer equipment has been obtained through donations, but the project will have to meet the equipment expenses for community radios and other charges not usually covered by donations, as communications costs (37,3%), travel, perdiem and training allowances (when being held out of the place of residence) and other expenditures related to planned activities (9,3%).

6. PROJECT OUTPUTS

Training:

Training in community promotion, CMCs sustainability, radio broadcasting and support strategies for micro and small enterprises.

- 50 persons from 10 community radios trained on community radio management and on the connection of the community radio stations to the Internet (50% women);
- 200 people from 20 CMCs trained in CMC sustainability and community promotion (50% women);

Community radio stations:

- Three new stations installed in isolated communities;
- One pilot case of a community radio connected and transmitting through the Internet.

Evaluation and coordination:

The activities of the participant CMCs are coordinated, cooperation mechanisms are designed and made available to all participant CMCs; the sharing of experiences, the diffusion and adaptation of good practices are put into effect.

- Organisation of 4 coordinating meetings for the working teams;
- Creation of a bulletin to disseminate the project objectives and outcomes;
- Creation and updating of a web page with the project results.

7. ACTIVITIES

Constitution of two working teams (one on CMCs' sustainability and the other for CR quality development), with the project coordinator, experts, specialised volunteers, delegates from participating institutions, CMCs' educators, journalists, etc.

Study of the installed CMCs and community radios, and selection of the most appropriate ones to receive equipment, support and training (the final selection will be decided by the Directing Commission).

Design of a detailed training plan in a collaborative way for each subject.

Curricula design, seminars and other educational and motivational activities for the instructors (community promotion, connection to the Internet, radio content management).

Selection and acquisition and installation of the equipment for the new community radios.

Evaluation of the courses, of the trainees and of the trainers, testing of the contents delivered and final evaluation of the project's results.

Final report.

8. WORK PLAN

Months		1		2		3	3		4			5	(6		7		8		9	9		10	0		11		1	12
Activities																													
Constitution of 2 working teams			П												Ì														П
Diagnosis of existent CMCs and community radios		П																											
Design of a training plan		П	П																										
Design of curricula	П	П	П	П						Ì															Ħ				Ħ
Community promotion courses			П	П	Т		Т	T		Ħ									Ħ		Ħ	T			Ħ		Ħ		Ħ
Connection of the community radios to the Internet																													
Radio content management																													П
Follow-up																													
Connection to Internet of the existing CMC.															l														
Selection and acquisition of the equipment																													
Installation of the new community radios																													
Evaluation																													
Final report																													

9. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

RUTELCO (*Red Uruguaya de Telecentros Comunitarios*) will be the executive organisation. Its members are:

- Ministerio de Educación y Cultura Dirección de Educación (Ministry of Education and Culture – Direction of Education);
- ANTEL (Uruguay's official telecommunications company);
- CDI Committee for the Democratisation of Informatics (NGO);
- Fundación Logros (NGO for social inclusion);
- "La Cotorra" community radio (non-profit organisation);
- Red de Mujeres Rurales (Rural Women Network) (NGO);
- Office of the UNESCO Regional Adviser for Communication and Information for Latin America and the Caribbean, Montevideo;
- UTE (Uruguay's electric power company).

A Directing Commission will be created; its members will be delegates from each executive organisation. This will ensure the coordination, strategic policy, impartiality and the proper implementation of the activities. Their execution, daily coordination and administration will be performed by a coordinator to be appointed by the Directing Commission, which will also create 2 work teams (one on CMCs' sustainability and another on quality development of the radio stations), with the project coordinator, experts, specialised volunteers, delegates from participating institutions, CMCs' educators, journalists, etc.

10. SUSTAINABILITY

The organisations that form the RUTELCO network have been working on the project's topics for several years now, investing time and resources to facilitate social inclusion in Uruguay through the use of ICTs. The project will allow performing activities they cannot finance, but will make possible their continuation once the project is completed. The basic idea of the project is to promote the self-sustainability of the CMCs. Besides, the project will train volunteers that will ensure the continuity of the programme and will create a volunteer database that will remain operational beyond the project's financing period.

11. FRAMEWORK OF MONITORING

AMARC (Latin American Association of Community Radios).

12. EVALUATIONS CARRIED OUT

Interviews with the staff of the community radios and discussions with listeners, NGOs, public organisation officials etc.

13. FRAMEWORK OF BENEFICIARY AGENCY'S REPORTING

Report on project progress on a four-month basis.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Previous IPDC support received by the country:

PDC/9URG/01 350-URU-91	13,000	Uruguay	1989 -1994
352-URG-31	11,000	Development of human resources in State television in Uruguay	
PDC/14URU/01 352-URU-41	31,000	Communication to improve urban life	1994 -1995
		Total Uruguay: US\$ 55,000	

Preparatory activities completed prior to submission of the project to IPDC

The RUTELCO network was created with the support and leadership of UNESCO almost two years ago, with organisations that were already working together on similar matters. Periodic meetings are being held; a distribution list was created to keep permanent contact and update on all common subjects. As stated above, a RUTELCO-coordinated project is presently being implemented.

Contribution foreseen by the beneficiary agency during the project period

Please refer to Budget, Section 2.

Assistance sought other than IPDC

The countrywide role out of infrastructure project for CMCs is being discussed with IDB.

D. BUDGET					
BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)					
Training					
Logistic support for training:	1 000				
Training material:	500				
Community radios					
Equipment:	5 100				
Computer:	600				
Adviser/trainer on community radio management (6 months):					
Internet connection for one community radio station (one year):					
Technical operator (one year):	1 080				
Evaluation and coordination					
Telecentre evaluator and project coordinator (one year):	6 000				
Administrative assistant (one year):	1 200				
Logistic support for meetings:	300				
Communications and overheads:	720				
Site visits:	560				
Monitoring:	1 000				
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>21 000</u>				

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Training	
Training on community promotion:	3 000
Rental of training space:	1 000
Training on Internet connection (one month):	400
Logistic support for training:	1 500
Training material:	500
Community radios	
Internet connection for one community radio station (one year):	180
Technical operator (one year):	1 080
Internet portal and hosting:	1 000
Evaluation and coordination	
Administrative assistant (one year):	1 200
Logistic support for meetings:	300
Site visits:	560
HQ rent and office expenses:	2 480
<u>TOTAL</u> :	<u>13 200</u>