

Darwin Initiative for the Survival of Species

Half Year Report (due 31 October each year)

Project Ref. No.	EIDPO14 (12-014)
Project Title	Devising strategies to integrate biodiversity conservation in plantation dominated landscapes
Country(ies)	UK, Brazil
UK Organisation	University of East Anglia, UK
Collaborator(s)	Museu Goeldi, Para, Brazil
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Project website	http://www.uea.ac.uk/~e079/Projects/Jari.html

1. Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – September) against the agreed baseline timetable for the project (if your project has started less than 6 months ago, please report on the period since start up).

We have made excellent progress towards achieving outputs 1 & 2 since the start of the project, and are slightly ahead of schedule. The region has been mapped, the sample areas have all been chosen, methodologies defined, and the first seasonal replicates have been undertaken (or are currently being finished). In addition, one PhD candidate has already undertaken 3 months of training in field sampling techniques, mapping, and dung beetle and orchid bee identification. A progress talk was given to the local stakeholders (Jari Celulose/Orsa Florestal) and the experimental design and the potential implications of the results were discussed with the Forest Stewardship Council in Brazil. A first publication relating to the them of this project has been submitted to a special issue of "Biodiversity and Conservation" that addresses biodiversity conservation in plantation forests.

2. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments that the project has encountered over the last 6 months. Explain what impact these could have on the project and whether the changes will affect the budget and timetable of project activities.

We have not experienced any notable problems in the last 6 months (since the start of the project).

Have any of these issues been discussed with the Darwin Secretariat and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement? n/a

Discussed with the DI Secretariat: no/yes, in..... (month/yr)

Changes to the project schedule/workplan: no/yes, in.....(month/yr)

3. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to Darwin's

management, monitoring, or financial procedures? No

If you were asked to provide a response to this year's annual report review with your next half year report, please attach your response to this document.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan or budget should not be discussed in this report but raised with the Darwin Secretariat directly.

Please send your **completed form by 31 October each year per email** to Stefanie Halfmann, Darwin Initiative M&E Programme, stefanie.halfmann@ed.ac.uk. The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message.**