

WORKSHOP N°3



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Workshop n°3 Valuable Funding for Protected Area



 With public agency funding at critical levels all over Europe, the need to look at public private initiatives have never been more pressing.

 Protected areas need to show that they are catalysts of economic growth and learn to work with the private sector as partners in sustainable development.



W.E.C.A.N



- A European programme
- An Interreg IVb NWE project
- 6 partners











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<u>I Objective</u> :

Working together for Economically prosperous Communities through Assets of Natural heritage

- <u>4 Workpackages</u>
- The value of the Nature
- 2) Business & Biodiversity / The Part'Nature'ship
- 3) Cycling for Nature / the Visitor Paybacks
- 4) Rangers, écogardes

Workpackage 2 FUNDRAISING



 How can the private sector be better engaged in supporting the natural heritage through sustainable and responsible





W.E.C.A.N

• Website

<u>http://wecan-</u> interregivb.eu

Magazine

Video
 <u>www.enrx.fr</u>





EBook

To start

- WECAN project: who is it?
 - WECAN project: what is it, concretely ?
 - And ENRx ?

To continue

• Partnership : <u>what</u> ?

History / Difference / Foundatio FUNDRAISING

• Partnership : <u>how, why</u>?

Need to know / Before taking action

• Partnership : with whom?

What you need to know, plan / Before taking action / Examples

Partnership : for and with whom?

Limits / Regional ambitions / A few examples

Partnership : <u>so what</u>?

Territorial project / European perspectives / Crowdfunding

And after ? Essential points + Golden rules







Who is Who ?

Structure



- Experiences
- successful / unsuccessful
- obstacles / solution
- Interests & Interrogations

THEORICAL PRESENTATION

- The keys factors for the success
- The basics of the approach of fundraising







Multiple techniques

Approaching major donors Business sponsorship and foundations

Partnerships/sponsoring

Shared products

Bequests, trust/gifts Viral marketing

Direct Marketing

Social networks Web

Crowdfunding

Street fundraising

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360° fundraising event

Advertising / mass media

... to be selected according to the objectives and available resources!







Collection pyramid

What are donors looking for?

Purpose A compelling, persuasive and valid project.

VALUES

PARTNERSHIP

COMMUNICATION

• **High-quality relations** Desire for transparent information, visibility and promotion

Effectiveness Since 2005, this has been

the number one idea (ahead of transparency).

CAUSE

TRUST

INFORMATION SHARING

Private

individuals

Companies

Expectations that coincide

even if not everything is the same:

Brand image is a major concern for businesses; variable among private individuals

Private individuals react primarily to long-term aspirational aspects; Businesses are concerned with the short-term return

Every fund collection operation involves...

- **Financial resources**
- Human resources
- Changes to the routine of the organisation (communications, organisation, etc.)
- Time, enthusiasm, professionalism

Key factors of success of the sponsorship/major donation approaches

- A unique market positioning Ambitious projects at the service of an inspirational cause, backed by the right project developer.
- Substantial involvement of the governance, backed by the participation of exceptional volunteers, genuine ambassadors-contacts
- An influential network and the ability to identify links with other very promising networks.
- An organised approach



Your association or organisation project First key step which guides you in the right direction

Your governance has defined the strategic plan:

- the values which define you
- your vision of your environment and its development
- the position that you wish to occupy (your ambition)
- > your **priorities** for achieving this

Which projects interest donors ?

Urgency, Ambition, Realism

- Sponsorship can support the general activities of an organisation
- Sponsorship can contribute to the deployment of operational projects
- forming part of your strategic priorities
- which will have a significant practical **impact** on the community
- **innovative** and ambitious compared with your rivals

A MAJOR DONATION generally supports a CHANGE and not operational improvements

Where should you look for donors? The network of your organisation



HUNTING GROUND **Suppliers** Members **CULTURAL** environment Employees Direction Potential Board Major Clients donors members donors with SOCIAL similar Founder environment interests Volunteers **Regular** donors Former relations **FISCAL** environment POLITICAL environment

Where should you look for donors ? Widening the number of potential donors

CLOSENESS first

Who are the current players? Who were those of the past?

CONTACTS

Who has contacts within your environment? Approach your donors and friends and ask them for contacts

MONITORING

TV news, press, web (trends, eco, people, etc.) **Do not under-estimate internal or free available information** (newsletter, speeches during conferences, etc.)

Building loyalty

It is much cheaper to build the loyalty of a donor than to recruit a new one!

- Communicate constantly with the donors.
- Develop and build stronger ties with the donors.
- Maintain and increase the support of the donors to your institution

A happy donor will spread the news to others ${\textcircled{}}$

An unhappy donor will also spread the news to others ...and do it more strongly 😮

Action

- Targets the donors
- Regularly provide donors with reports on how their donations are being used
- Organise personal meetings with major donors
- Seek out and listen to the opinion of donors
- Encourage donors to get involved in your organisation



The keys to a good case for support

- Arouse interest, with a strong vision and objectives for the future
- Highlight what is **unique about you**
- Select practical, innovative and effective projects
- Make sure that the figures, facts and projects are **consistent**
- Combine emotional and rational aspects
- Be convinced in order to **convince**
- Show optimism and willingness



ERRORS to be avoided

- Another association could use your sales pitch = non-differentiating
- Your plans for the future are not clearly understandable = lack of vision
- Your plan is very general, vague. You present intentions without really mentioning actions
 = not practical and therefore not convincing
- You speak about yourself and not about your beneficiaries = not motivational
- You speak about needs and not about ambitions = not compelling

Do the **test** :

After reading your case for support , can your interlocutor answer the following questions?

Who are you? What do you do?

- Why is this important? Level of urgency?
- Why you? Why are you different? What more do you provide in quantity or quality?
- Why me? Why does it concern me? How am I close to you and your project?
- Why do you need me? What are you going to do with my donation? What will the effects be?



- What will be the benefits for me? 'What is in it for me?'
- What guarantees do I have that my donation will be well used for the intended purpose?
- How do we start? What is the next step?





CONCRETE PRESENTATION

• 4 examples





Example I : RLKM

 Actions lead by the Regionaal Landschap Kempen en Maasland





Example 2 : ENRx



 A historical partnership between the Caisse d'Epargne Nord France Europe Bank and ENRx to sustain a programme called Objectif Nature (video)

Example 3 : European panorama

 An example extracted of the European panorama (Adessium foundation)



Example 4 : An original challenge

 An original/challenging partnership between the Conservatoire of Littoral and the Total company since 1982 !





EXCHANGES

the suitability / transferability



- Why sustain the nature ? To find arguments
- "Money is money". We accept all money ? Yes/No.
- What relation between private and public sector ?
- How is it possible to imply the inhabitants ?



CONCLUSION

- shared perspectives and challenge for the next year.
- Proposition of exchanges during the year
- (by the Récolte platform ? by the Europarc network ?)



The Récolte platform



- <u>Ré</u>seau <u>col</u>laboratif des acteurs et projets <u>te</u>rritoriaux
- A professional social network
- A free and comforted platform
- Who ? For all projects managers and it teams
- Where ? For local authorities and communities
- A digital space « interactive » & « collaborative »
- A tool to communicate, exchange informations



The Europarc network

- Next year ?
- Collective action



