

Appropriate Approaches to Capacity Development for Protected Areas Management in Small Island Developing States

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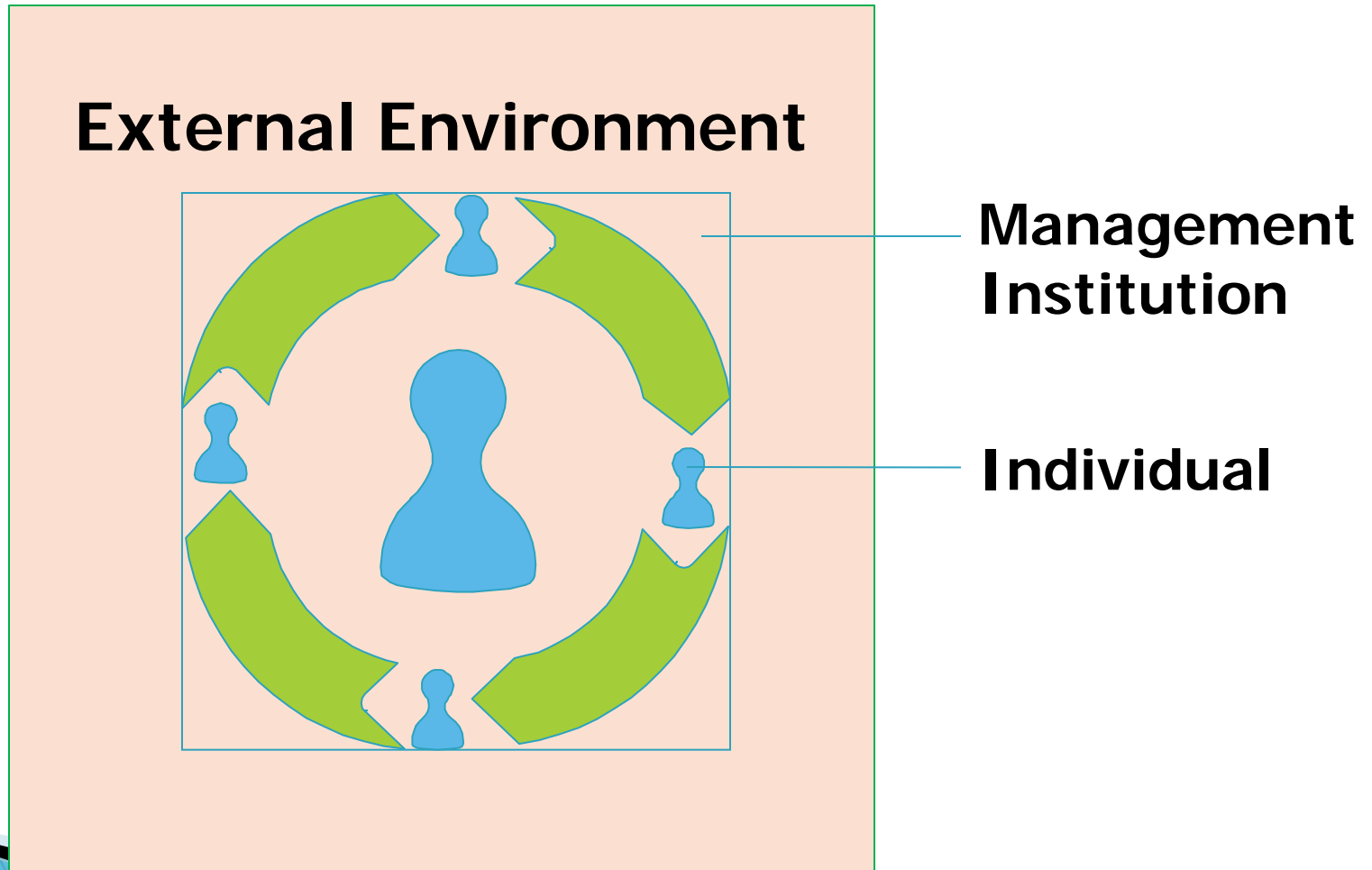
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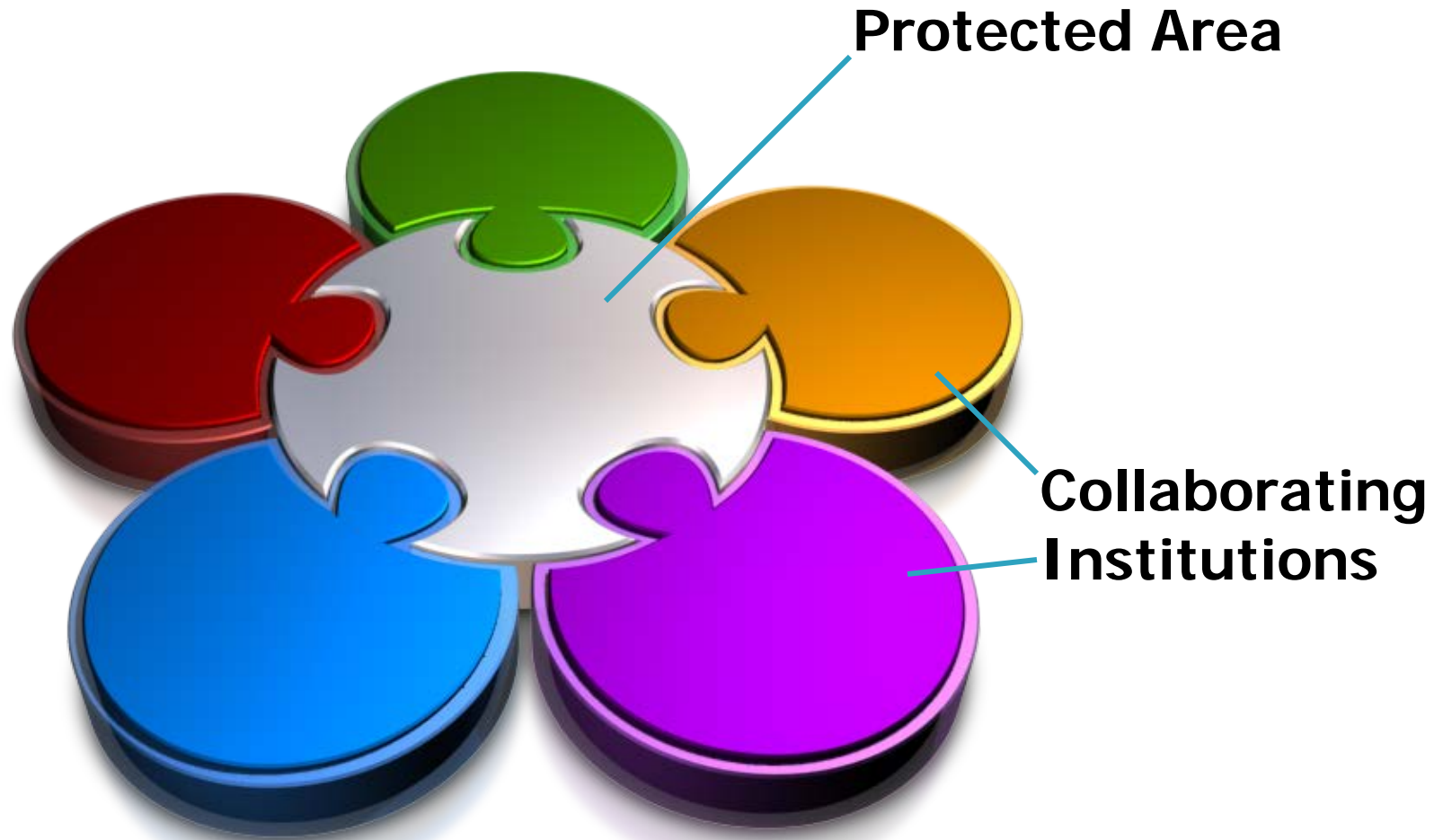
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Current Approaches to CD



Reality = Institutional Framework

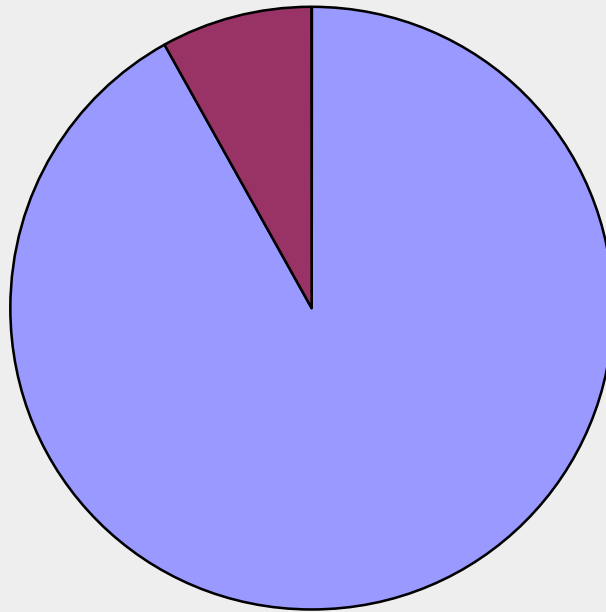


Survey of Institutional Arrangements for PA Management in the Caribbean

1. **Opened August 7, 2014**
2. **Duration: – approx. 6 weeks**
3. **Questions: 43; 40 for data; 10 system, 30 site**
4. **Responses: 41, from 20 countries (2 from Mesoamerica), 3 with no country identified**
5. **More than 50% of respondents skipped most of the questions dealing with site-specific activities.**

Responsibility for PA Development

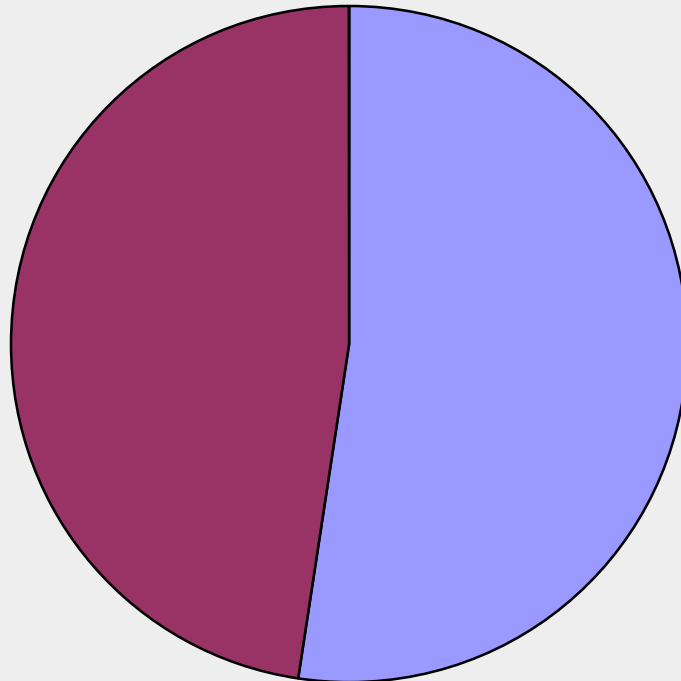
Who has responsibility for protected areas development in your country?



- Responsibility shared among all institutions with regulatory authority.
- Single Institution

Boundary Delineation/Demarcation

The boundary of the protected area is:



■ Only delineated on paper

■ Delineated on paper and demarcated on the ground

Recommended Approach to CD

1. Focus on Institutional Network:

- ▶ Requires asset mapping and capacity assessment of institutions.
- ▶ Focus CD on purpose of PA and needs of institutions to deliver outcomes directly related to site purpose.

2. Design CD interventions based on work flow of institutions:

- ▶ Work flows should be based on activities to produce site objectives

Test of Recommended Approach (2010)

- 1. Collaborating institutions in project – GeoPDF map tool to improve individual competences in new data verification method.**
- 2. Client/management institution – Had individual competences and institutional capacity, but was not producing anticipated outcomes. Tested extent of data collection and use for selected management activities.**

Test Results

1. **Client/management institution – no change in behaviour**
2. **Stakeholders using project outputs**
3. **New stakeholders provided data during project**
4. **Public and civil society stakeholders use information and approach in new projects, seek collaboration with data manager.**

Conclusion

Anticipated and unanticipated outcomes suggest that the approach is applicable for CD in collaborating institutions. It also has potential for enhancing knowledge and changing attitudes and capacities for application beyond a particular project.

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