



Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) Challenge Fund Half Year Report



(due 31st October 2017)

Project reference:	IWT 030
Project title:	Combating Illegal Ivory Trade: Training Film to Aid Enforcement Officers
Country(ies):	Filming and interviews have been completed in Vietnam, Thailand, Hong Kong, Dubai, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Malawi, Botswana, South Africa and the U.K.
Lead organisation:	Environmental Investigation Agency (UK) Limited
Collaborator(s):	
Project leader:	Mary Rice
Report date and number (e.g. HYR1):	31 October 2017, (HYR2)
Project website/blog/social media etc: No project website currently	http://www.combattingivorytrade.com/

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

Translations for all versions have been completed during this period. This includes Portuguese, Spanish, French, Thai, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese and Swahili.

Online feedback forms (to assess the training tool's impact and use) have been completed in all nine languages. Feedback forms consist of 11 questions that cover: demographics of respondent, their job type/department in enforcement, an assessment on each of the 17 modules in the tool, where they used the training tool, and overall comments. This will be the main tool used in our monitoring and evaluation.

Final copies of the English-language version and Portuguese-language version are now complete and online at combattingivorytrade.com.

French and Spanish versions will be completed before the 69th CITES Standing Committee (November 2017) so that it is complete in the official CITES languages. Requests will be sent to the CITES Secretariat that there is an official mention of the training tool, to aid its distribution. These will be disseminated using the website and on USBs.

The remaining five language versions are on schedule to be completed by early 2018. EIA has established a partnership with UNDP in Thailand, to include the training tool in one of their training programmes; this opportunity will be used to solicit direct feedback from the participants and users of the training tool in the country.

2a. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments/lessons learnt 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.

2b. Have any of these issues been discussed with LTS International and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?

Discussed with LTS: Yes/No

Formal change request submitted: Yes/No

Received confirmation of change acceptance Yes/No

3a. Do you currently expect to have any significant (e.g. more than £5,000) underspend in your budget for this year?

Yes No Estimated underspend: £

3b. If yes, then you need to consider your project budget needs carefully. Please remember that any funds agreed for this financial year are only available to the project in this financial year.

If you anticipate a significant underspend because of justifiable changes within the project, please submit a rebudget Change Request as soon as possible. There is no guarantee that Defra will agree a rebudget, so please ensure you have enough time to make appropriate changes if necessary.

4. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to IWT challenge Fund management, monitoring, or financial procedures?

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. Additionally, if you were funded under R3 and asked to provide further information by your first half year report, please attach your response as a separate document.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan can be discussed in this report but **should also be raised with LTS International through a Change Request.**

Please send your **completed report by email to Victoria Pinion at IWT-Fund@itsi.co.uk. The report should be between 2-3 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message e.g. Subject: IWT001 Half Year Report.****