WP2 Deliverable 2.4

HighARCS Website

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(online since July 2009)

I.   INTRODUCTION

The website serves as a repository and an archive of information collected and assimilated during the project period. Project reports will be referenced and linked to the HighARCS webpages to ensure research outputs are available even beyond the lifetime of the project. Database resources, such as those of FIN (www.fishbase.org) and IUCN, are linked to the HighARCS website. Aside from the Wiki, all other HighARCS webpages can be accessed online by the public. The creation of a project-dedicated website and the maintenance of the webpages are project deliverables (D2.4) in Work Package 2 – Dissemination, Monitoring and Evaluation.

II.   WEBPAGES & CONTENTS

A. Home: introduction to the Project and to the activities of HighARCS

- Project Overview: contains summary description of HighARCS

- Sidebar: contains basic data on the project

- Sidebar with logo of partner organizations in the project consortium and of the European Union: contains link to the website of each partner organization

- Activity Board: contains events bulletin related to Project and to events related to highland aquatic resources

- Links to the following:
    - HighARCS forum is intended for members of the partner institutions
    - General forum is intended for the public
    - Calendar is intended to indicate schedule of project events in the field research sites (China, Vietnam, India)
    - Members List is intended as a directory of forum participants

HighARCS

Welcome to Highland Aquatic Resources Conservation and Sustainable Development

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Activity Board

click here

Project Name
Highland Aquatic Resources Conservation and Sustainable Development
Acronym
HighARCS
Grant Agreement no
213015
Framework Programme
FP7
Theme 6
Environment
Start Date
2009-01-01
End Date
2012-12-31
Duration
48 months
Project Cost
1.91 million €
EC Funding
1.46 million €
Project 10 Participants

Project Overview

HighARCS will complete a detailed multidisciplinary situation analysis of highland aquatic resources, focused on values, livelihoods, conservation issues and wise-use options at five sites in Asia:

- Guangzhou, China
- Uttarakhand, India
- West Bengal, India
- Northern Vietnam
- Central Vietnam

Factors assessed will include the following:

- Biodiversity and ecosystem services, including provisioning, regulating, supporting and cultural services
- Livelihood strategies of households dependent on ecosystem services derived from highland aquatic resources, in particular poor, food-insecure and vulnerable people, will be assessed within a sustainable livelihoods framework and opportunities to enhance such livelihoods assessed
- Institutional features , including local, national and international policy and legislation, trajectories of change, stakeholder values associated with highland aquatic resources and areas of conflict will be assessed

Stakeholder participation will be critical to ensure new knowledge is accessible for collective decision-making and development of policies for the equitable use and conservation; methods and indicators for participatory monitoring and evaluation of ecosystem services and biodiversity will be developed.

Action plans will then be formulated with stakeholders to:

- monitor the health of highland aquatic resources,
- develop and promote wise-use, and where necessary livelihoods diversification
- enhance poor livelihoods and conservation,
- integrate sustainable and wise-use, livelihoods diversification and conservation with watershed management priorities throughout the region

Action plans will be implemented by stakeholders at four sites displaying high biodiversity in Asia and the ecosystem, livelihoods and institutional impacts assessed through participatory monitoring and evaluation.

Best practices aimed at conserving biodiversity and sustaining ecosystem services will be communicated to potential users to promote uptake and enhanced policy formulation.

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University of Essex
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ieswm LEARN FROM THE PEOPLE
CEMPD
IUCN
UNIVERSITAS ROSKILDENSIS NI IN TRANQUILLO MORS IN FLUCTU VITA
FiN
UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING

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Figure 1. Home page of the HighARCS Website.

B. About Us: role of 10 partner institutions in the HighARCS consortium and project guidelines

- <u>HighARCS Consortium</u>: should contain the respective roles of partner institutions in relation to Work Packages and Deliverables

Figure 2. About Us - HighARCS Consortium page.

- <u>Partners' Database Resources</u>: contains links to database resources of partner organizations

- <u>Donor documents</u>: contains Guidelines and General Conditions of the Contract, specifically the following:
  - General condition – Annex II
  - Financial Guidelines
  - Periodic Reporting
  - Guidance Notes on Project Reporting
  - External Auditing
  - Intellectual Property Rules
  - Special Clauses
  - Amendment Guide for FP7 Grant Agreements
  - Reference on Gender and Environment

- <u>Progress Reports</u>: should contain 2010 reports to EU

- <u>PowerPoint Show</u>: contains powerpoint presentation about the project developed by University of Essex that can be downloaded and used by partners

Figure 3. About Us - HighARCS PowerPoint Show page.

- <u>HighARCS Events</u>: contains list of past events (click to see partners involved; objectives and results of events and activity details) and forthcoming events

- <u>Wiki</u>: for Partners only; a password is required for access.
  - contains HighARCS project document; Project forms (administrative and financial); and EC documents to be used as Project references
  - contains identifying logotypes to be used by partner institutions
  - contains publishable summary of the Project
  - contains travel guidelines to research sites: China, Vietnam and India
  - contains progress reports and workshop reports
  - contains links to Project contact persons and mailing list
  - contains links to research materials (review of literature and bibliographies)
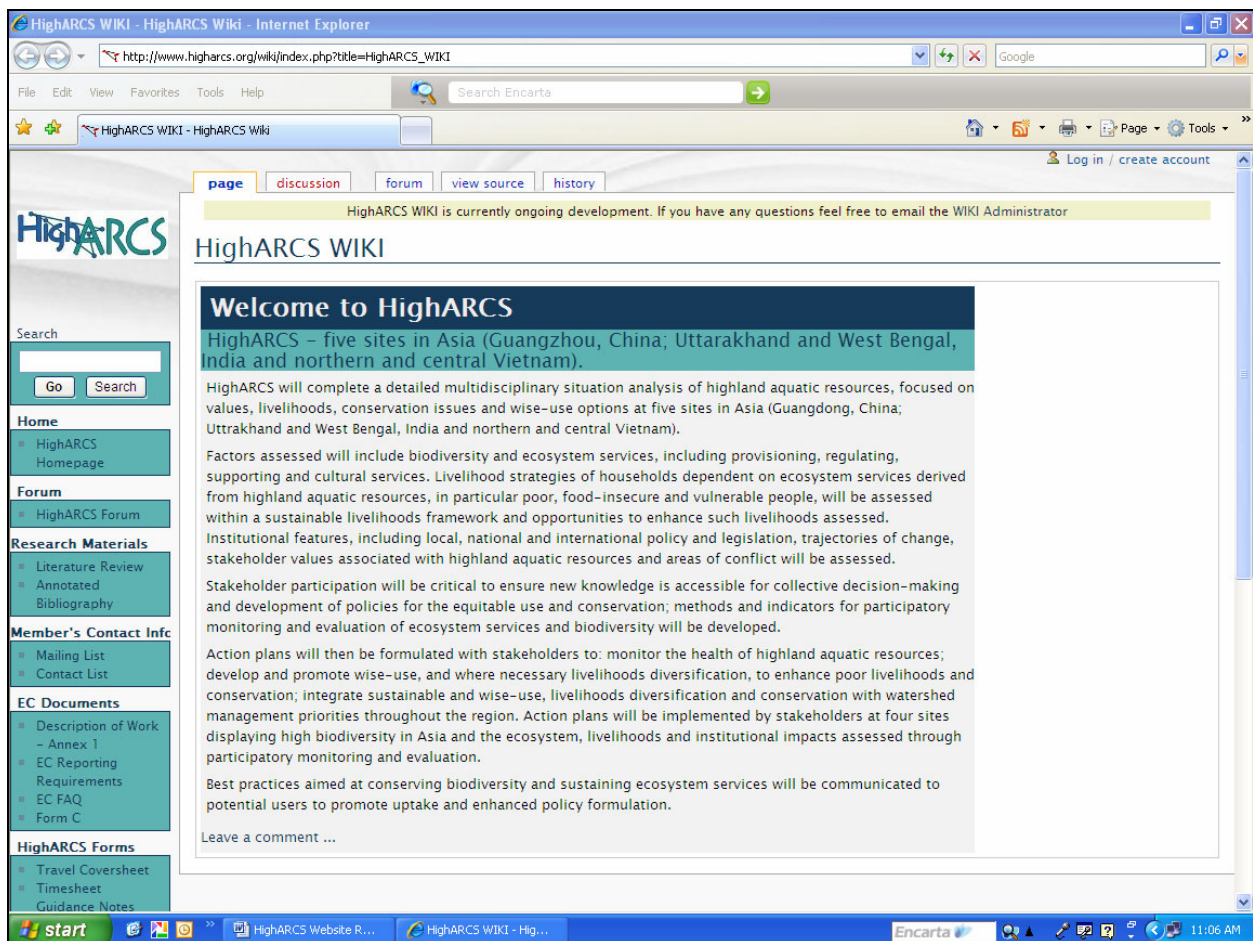 - contains links to Home Page and Discussion Forum

Figure 4. About Us - HighARCS Wiki page.

C. Work Packages: detailed description of all Work Packages

- <u>WP 1 – Situational Analysis</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners, description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

Figure 5. Workpackages – WP1: Situation Appraisal – WP1 Homepage.

- <u>WP2 – Dissemination, Monitoring and Evaluation</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP3 – Ecosystems Services and Biodiversity Values</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP4 – Highland Aquatic Resources and Livelihoods</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP5 – Stakeholders, Institutions and Markets</u>: contains information on lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP6 – Conserving Ecosystem Services and Biodiversity Values</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP7 – Sustainable Highland Aquatic Resources Development and Livelihoods</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP8 – Policy Development to Support Conservation</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

- <u>WP9 – Project Management</u>: contains information on the lead partner and collaborating partners; description of concepts, activities and deliverables (from project document)

D. Media: references for research and communication

- <u>Brochure</u>: contains a project description of HighARCS in two versions. The long version is designed for the scientific and education community and the short version is designed for a larger public. Both versions can be downloaded.

Figure 6. Media – Brochure (Short Version) page.

- <u>HighARCS Forum</u>: contains the following
    - Discussion forum for HighARCS Members
    - Discussion forum involving the public
    - Reports
    - Members list with email addresses
    - Calendar should contain schedule of work package activities of consortium and partner-institutions in HighARCS

- <u>Glossary</u>: contains definitions of words and terms commonly used in project documents and is meant to foster a unified and coherent understanding of the project
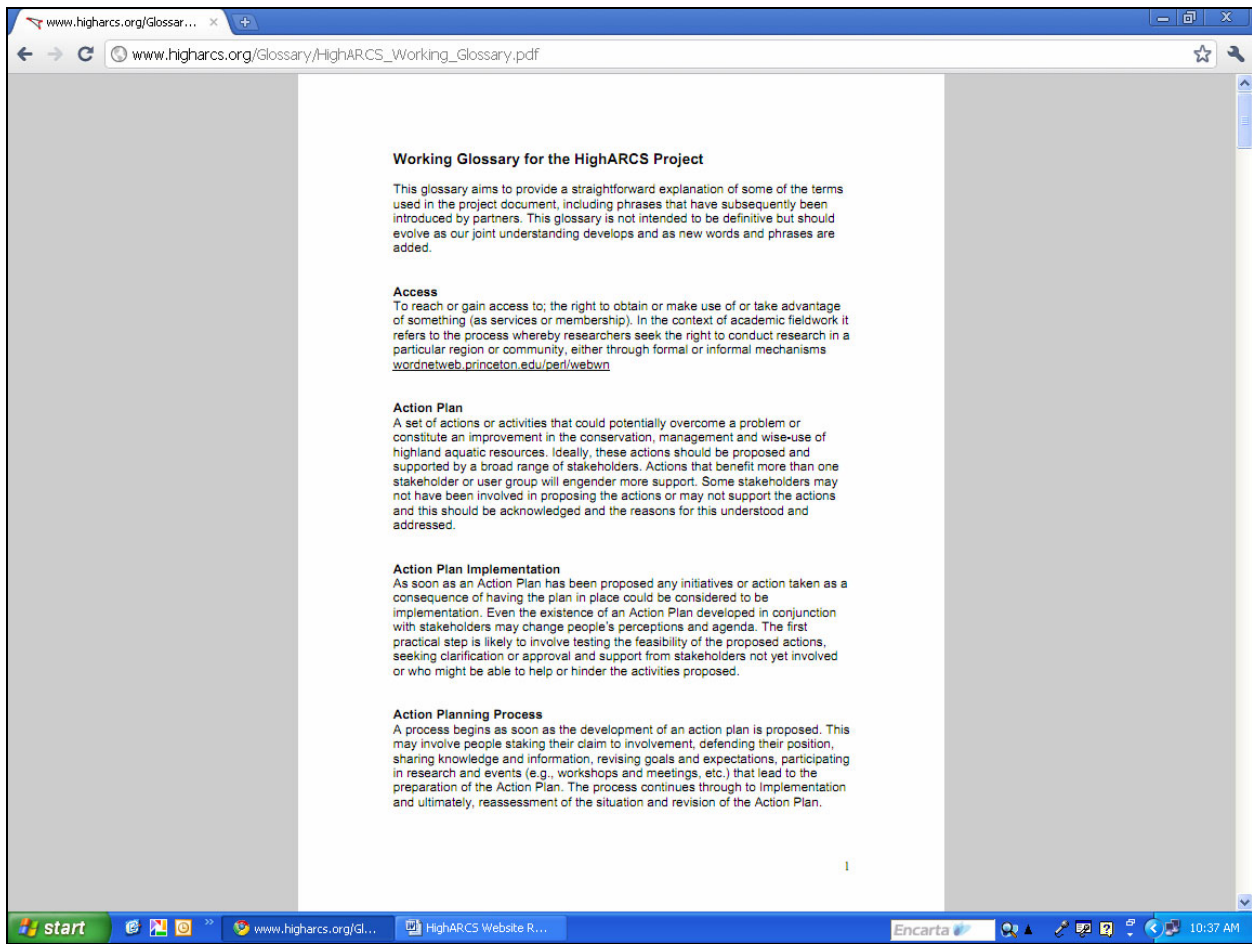

Figure 7. HighARCS Media – Glossary page.

- <u>Bibliography</u>: contains a bibliography of literature following the main HighARCS themes:
  - ecology and biodiversity
  - livelihoods and resource use
  - policies and institutions

E. **Site Materials: research output from field sites**

- <u>Guangzhou, China</u>: contains Situational Analysis Report
- <u>Uttarakhand, India</u>: contains Situational Analysis Report
- <u>West Bengal, India</u>: contains Situational Analysis Report
- <u>Northern Vietnam</u>: contains Situational Analysis Report and HighARCS brochure in Vietnamese language
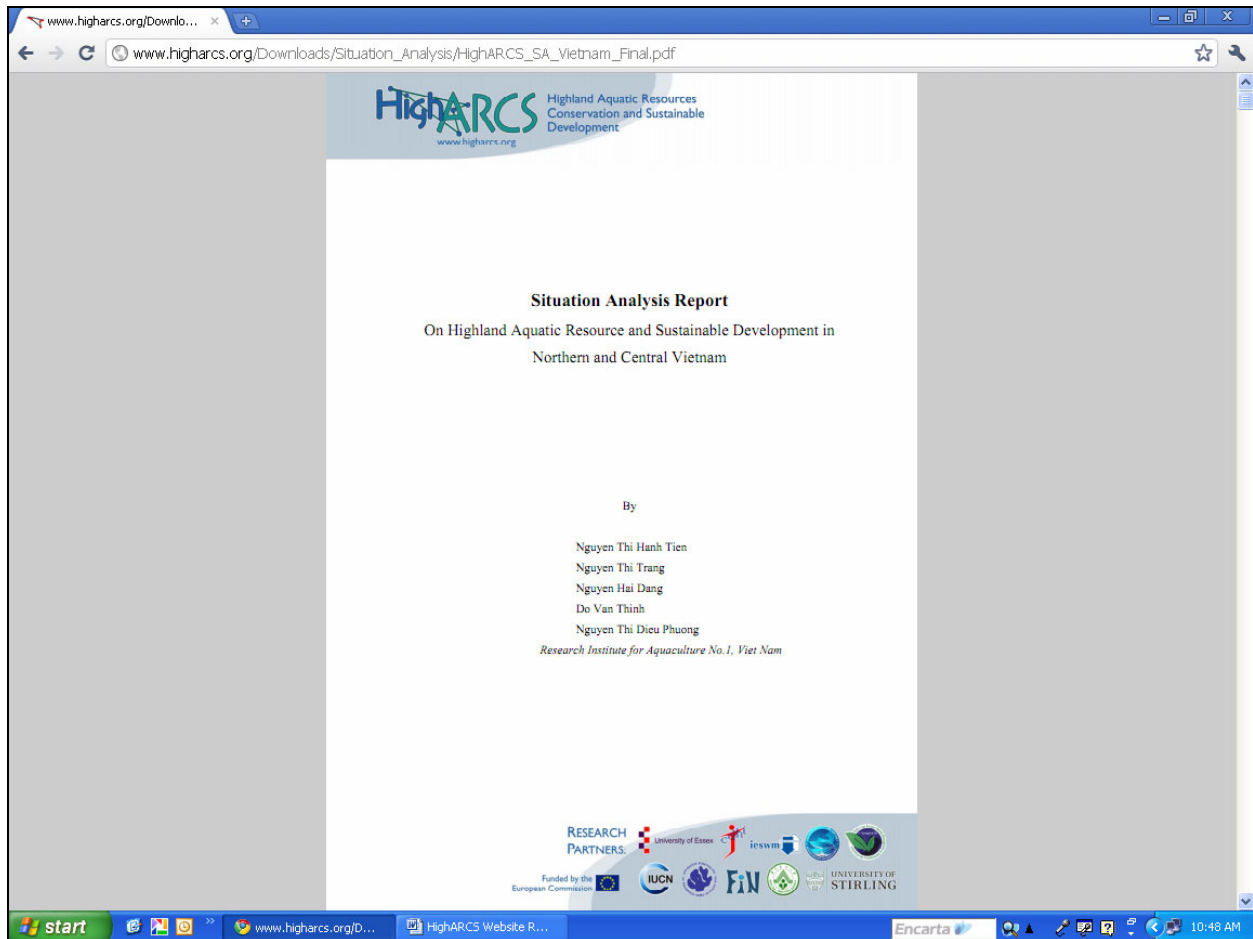- <u>Central Vietnam</u>: contains Situational analysis Report

Figure 8. HighARCS Site Materials – Central Vietnam's Situation Analysis Report page.

F. **Results: file of published deliverables from Work Packages**

- <u>Action Plans</u>: will contain action plans on conservation, livelihood and policy support
- <u>HighARCS Publications</u>: will contain published materials based on research studies
- <u>HighARCS Reports</u>: will contain progress reports

G. Photo Gallery: photo-documentation of the HighARCS experience

- <u>Project Management Group Meeting</u>, 2-5 June 2010: contains photo album
- <u>Field Visit – Son La, Vietnam</u>, 22 March 2010: contains photo album
- <u>Field Visit – Vietnam</u>, 17-20 March 2010: contains photo album
- <u>Field Visit – China</u>, 11-14 March 2010: contains photo album
- <u>Field Visit – India</u>, 4-7 March 2010: contains photo album
- <u>First Consortium Meeting</u> – 6-8 July 2009: contains photo album

Figure 9. HighARCS Photo Gallery page.

H. **Contact Us: profile of the partner institutions and of the persons in the institutions significantly engaged in the Project, including their contact information**

- Contains list of partner institutions
- Contains list of contact persons (coordinators and representatives) and their photos
- Contains postal addresses; email addresses; fax numbers; telephone numbers

Figure 10. HighARCS Contact Us page.