



Sustaining Partnerships: a conference on conservation and sustainability in UK Overseas Territories, Crown Dependencies and other small island communities

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Conference recommendations to the Private Sector and Utilities

The full set of conference conclusions and recommendations are at: <http://www.ukotcf.org/pdf/2015conf/SustainingPartnerships2015Concl&Rec.pdf>. Here are reproduced those directed to the Private Sector and Utilities. For more context, see the full document. Because this document is an extract of that, the numbering here includes gaps.

It is important to note that not all conclusions and recommendations will apply to every territory. They all differ and any kind of “one-size-fits-all” approach would be unlikely to be successful.

The conclusions and recommendations have been grouped into sections, some fairly closely related to the conference sessions, but others cutting across several. The categories of organisations to which recommendations are directed are indicated in bold italics in the text or after it. The session(s) in which the conclusion or recommendation arose is indicated by the session number(s), as indicated in the programme.

D. Renewable Energy

Private Sector

- 063. Development of tailored financing solutions to support project implementation (10)
- 064. Capacity building, ensuring that training is included in the implementation of solutions on island, including ensuring that soundly based and well-rounded advice is provided and that expertise and support is developed to ensure the options are well evaluated and the best combination taken forward (10)
- 065. Programmatic approach to building solutions that enable the development of on territory businesses (10)
- 066. Ensure that investment supports/enhances local infrastructure (10)
- 067. Engage with utilities and governments to define the clear value proposition of renewables beyond cost per kw/h (10)

Utilities

- 068. Working with governments to develop operational plans in line with a low-carbon vision (10)
- 069. Developing a business model that focuses on reducing the level of diesel-generated energy and the amount of energy used on island, taking into account other relevant factors including population size and trends, starting point, etc. (10)

- 070. Supporting governments to develop well informed projects that are ready to move now, with competent grid integration studies – doing what can be done now (10)
- 071. Working inclusively with governments and others partners so that all can understand the needs of utility business models, including ensuring that soundly based and well-rounded advice is provided and that expertise and support is developed to ensure the options are well evaluated and the best combination taken forward. (10)