Project Summary

Project Background
ACP (Africa, Caribbean and Pacific) consists of 70 countries and EC assistance comprised an estimated number of more than 400 projects in 10 major segments, most importantly rural development, Government and Civil Society, Agriculture, Transport/communications, Health and Education. With € 25 Million of external assistance budgeted for ACS countries between 2000 and 2007 the European Commission required to have in place efficient, consistent and uniform methodologies to ensure the success of its programme.

Project Objective
- Gathering Results-oriented information on projects and programmes
- Report on progress to the main stakeholders in a user-friendly and timely manner
- Design development and integration into the EC monitoring system

Project Activities
- Systems design for a rigorous quality management scheme
- Preparation and implementation of monitoring missions (each project at least one time per year)
- Submission of respective reports to stakeholders and databases
- Coordination of the ACP monitoring with other schemes and AidCo Directorates C and H6

Implementation Features
- The monitoring system was established and operated by a consortium of six consulting firms, each contributing special sectoral and/or regional expertise. As a core member of the consortium, INTEGRATION, was mainly responsible for systems design, to be aligned with the methodology of TACIS monitoring.
- Experienced EU sector monitors, who were supported in their task by equally qualified national experts, carried out some 40 interdisciplinary monitoring missions per year
- More than 400 standardized monitoring reports were produced every year. These were based on the Commission’s PCM system guaranteeing consistency and comparability.
- Data were aggregated into synopses on country and programme level.

Services Provided
- More than 40 monitoring missions per year by interdisciplinary teams
- More than 400 reports per year, aggregated into synopses by country and region
- Development of database and management information system

All ACP - South Africa and Cuba
Monitoring of EC Projects/Programmes in the ACP Countries, South Africa and Cuba

Client
European Commission / EC

Duration
2001 - 2004

Personnel
- 220 person-month of EU monitoring experts
- Local experts