

## 42- Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) on local resources in the Divjaka-Karavasta National Park Area

Assignment Name: <b>Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) on local resources in the Divjaka-Karavasta National Park Area</b>		Country:  <b>ALBANIA</b>
Location within Country:  <b>National Park of Divjaka-Karavasta</b>		Professional Staff Provided by Your Firm/Entity (profiles): <b>Community mobilization, Stakeholders analysis, tourism expert, etc.</b>
Name of Client:  <b>JICA</b>		Nº of Staff:  <b>5</b>
Start Date (Month/Year):  <b>20 December 2012</b>	Completion Date (Month/Year):  <b>28 February 2012</b>	Nº of Staff-Months; Duration of Assignment:  <b>2 months</b>
Name of Associated Consultants, If Any:  <b>PSEDA-ILIRIA</b>		Approx. Value of Services:  <b>6.000 Euro</b>
Name of Senior Staff (Project Director/Coordinator, Team Leader) Involved and Functions Performed:  <b>Dr. Genti Kromidha</b>		
Narrative Description of Project:  <p>The Government of Albania requested the Government of Japan for technical cooperation to manage the Divjaka-Karavasta National Park appropriately by applying utilized experience to manage protected areas in Japan. JICA Project aims to establish the system for conservation and sustainable use of the DKNP based on a management plan to be developed with active participation of local governments and stakeholders. In the process especially to achieve the sustainable use of the local resources, local residents plays an important part and it is essential to fully understand the local resources for potential action plans aiming at both nature conservation and sustainable development.</p> <p>The participatory research (Public Rural Appraisal) approach that INCA employed for this particular project was implemented in two directions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Substantively involving local people in the selection, design, planning and implementation of programs and projects that will affect them, thus ensuring that local perception, attitudes, values and knowledge are taken into account as fully as possible.</li> <li>▪ To make more continuous and comprehensive feedback an integral part of all development activities.</li> </ul> <p>The project organized several field visit, 6 workshops, one public meeting, 5 focus group meetings and the preparation of the project report.</p>		