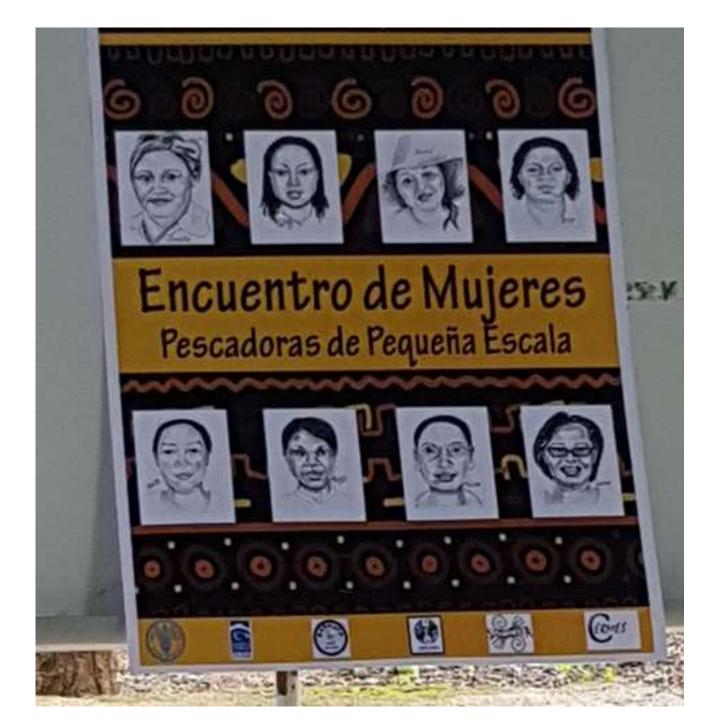
Caribbean Small Scale Learning Exchange in Costa Rica: Women Voices

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What it this all about







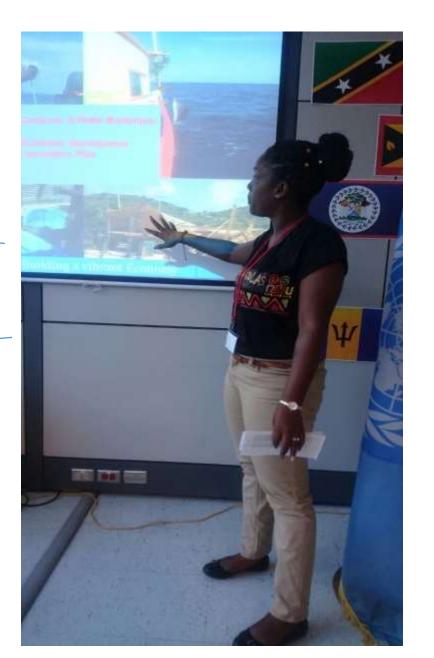
INNOVATION PLANS

Jewelry using lionfish spines <

Fertilizer from fish offal -

Marketing non traditional species

Awareness & Training programmes



CHANGES OF PLANS? NOT REALLY, HOWEVER...









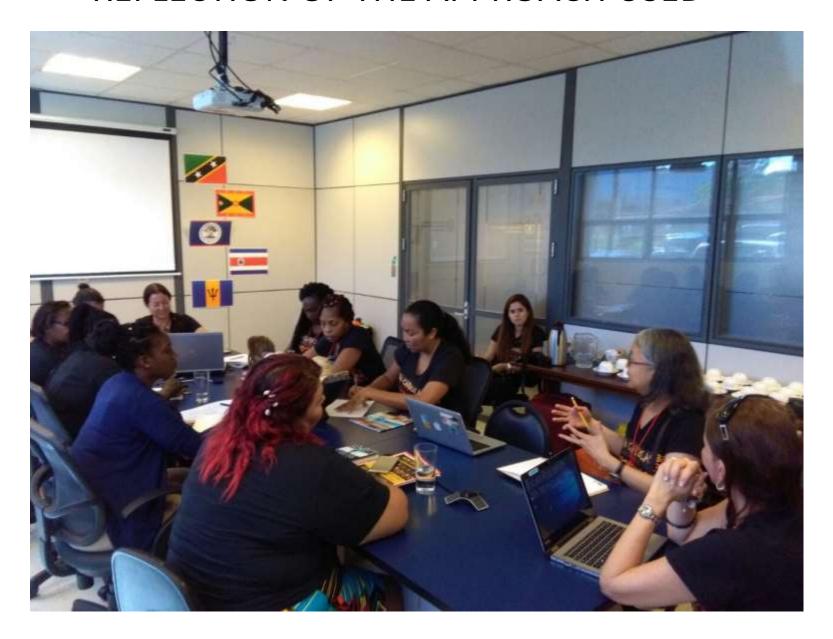




WHAT BECAME APPARENT

- Gender awareness as key component
- Advancing gender equality and empowerment
- Resilience and Perseverance of latin ladies as example to follow
- Challenges when trying to articulate ideas
- One idea assumed by others
- Alternative income innovative projects
- Inclusion of young women
- Strengthen sense of unity

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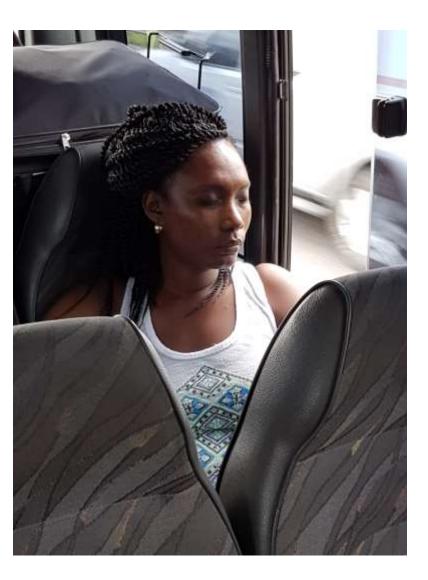


REFLECTION OF THE APPROACH USED

- The arrangements for learning throughout the exchange was good & effective. Methods used cater to different persons style. Learn more.
- > Appreciate the reflection times to discuss what was learned.
- > The environment for each particular visit were well suited.
- The shared information and pictures of sites to be visit permitted them to be familiarized with the area prior to arrival.

REFLECTION OF THE APPROACH USED CONT.

- ➤ Being among the community, feeling the women struggle and even feeling and sharing their emotion is a completely different learning and appreciation process.
- ➤ All the women brought something to the table and were open to share knowledge and experiences.
- Sites visit helped to learn a lot, "I saw different things from my own country and it was a sight to behold."



REFLECTION OF THE APPROACH USED CONT.

The agenda for the last day was too packed; it was challenging to keep up.

© Some of the visits could have been more interactive, as opposed to just be listeners.

REFLECTING ON LESSONS LEARNED



DOCUMENTATION AND DISSEMINATION OF WORK



WOMEN AS AGENTS OF CHANGE



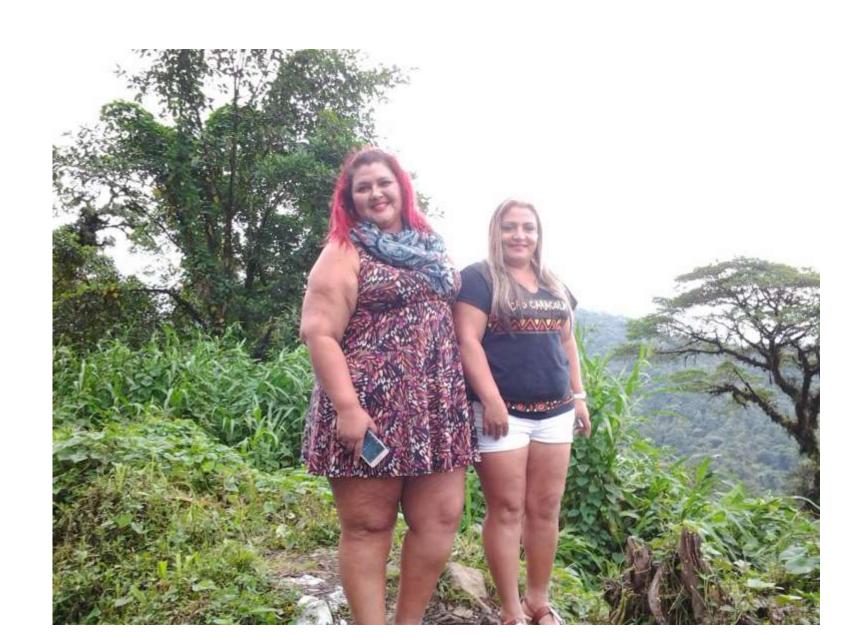
WOMEN BECOMING EFFECTIVE AND RESPECTED LEADERS



RESCUING CULTURAL TRADITIONS



LATIN COOP LEADERS AGGRESIVELY ENTERPRISING



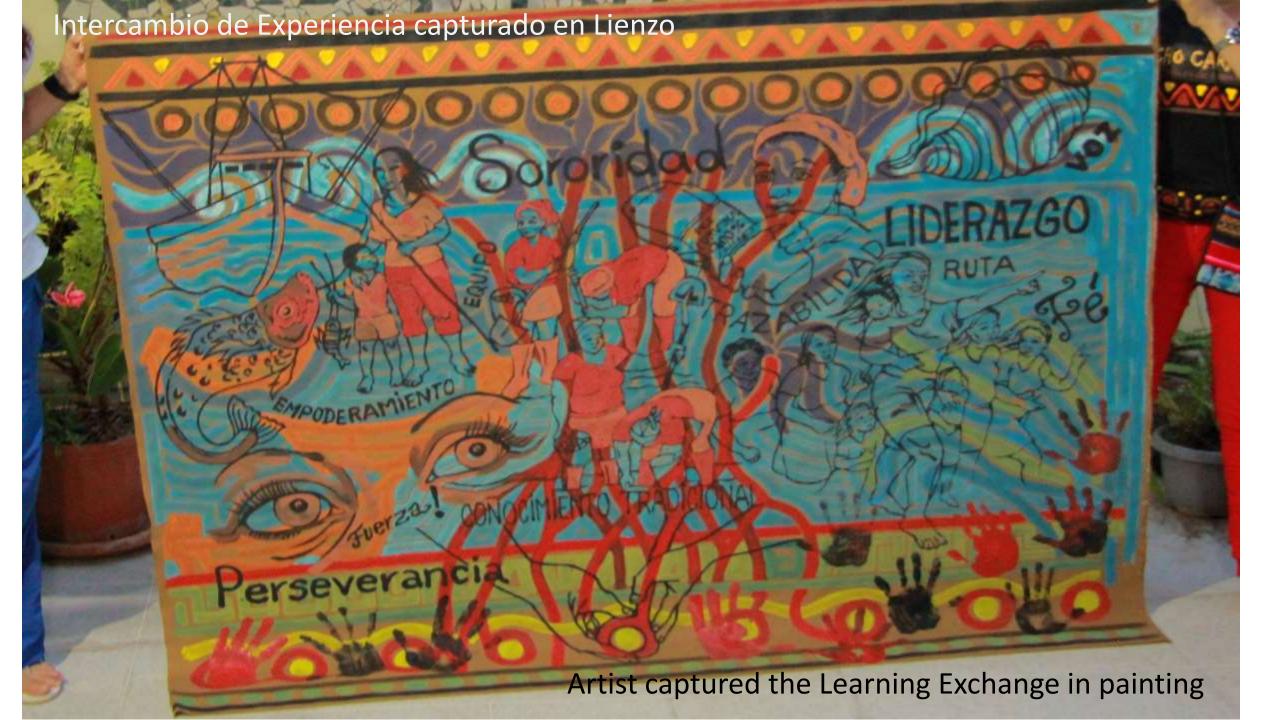
STRONG AND STRATEGIC ALLIANCES AND WORKING TOGETHER





Mujeres expresando sus impresiones del Intercambio en lienzo

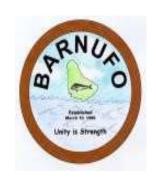
Ladies capturing their impression of the Exchange on canvas

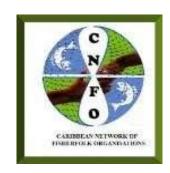














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