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Papers from the Conference

World Museum Liverpool April 27 - 28, 2006

'Selling Natural Science:
Developing concepts and ideas for galleries and other public resources'

Paul Manners, Project Executive, BBC Learning Inspiring action

The BBC is developing a major new pass participation campaign to inspire a million people to get actively involved in nature conservation. Called Breathing Places, and inspired by visionary ideas from the 19th century about urban green space, it will be launched in Springwatch on BBC2 in June of this year. Paul's talk will outline the thinking behind the campaign, highlighting particularly the role of audience research in shaping the key campaign messages and activities.

Action

Encouraging participation, not simply debate

Scale

Big enough to make a measurable impact

Sustainability

Continuing long after the broadcast in many places, in many forms

Inspire, engage, and entertain

Using the creative skills of the BBC to do what other learning or campaigning organisations cannot

Partnerships

Working with commercial and public sector partners, not just the BBC

Outreach

Direct contact with people in their communities

Understanding the audience: 1

- Market research by BBC Worldwide, 2002

MARKET SIZE 1

Omnibus research shows that 63% of adults aged 15+ in Great Britain are interested in "natural history" (described as "the area that covers nature, wildlife and animals, and the environment, whether in the UK or worldwide")

Population of Great Britain (aged 15+) is 48,402,000

Broadest market size = 30,493,000 (15,145,200 households)