Finding the ways that work

What if Ph.D. scientists, economists, MBAs and policy experts could work together to solve environmental problems? It's happening every day at Environmental Defense Fund.

The diverse skills we apply to every environmental challenge create opportunities for alliances that produce lasting change.

“EDF was founded by scientists. Today, more than ever, strong science must build the case for action.”

Dr. Steven Hamburg
Chief Scientist
ECONOMIC INCENTIVES
1990: Our market-based plan to reduce acid rain cut sulfur dioxide from U.S. power plants in half, at a fraction of the expected cost.

CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS
2004: EDF’s alliance with FedEx produced the first commercially available hybrid midsize truck. Today, there are 35 models on the market and 100 fleets use them.

NONPARTISAN APPROACH
2011: EDF worked with both Republicans and Democrats to win support for legislation to restore the Gulf Coast after the BP oil disaster.

“If you make environmental protection profitable, people will invent all kinds of ways to make it happen.”

“Accepting no funding from our corporate partners frees us to set more aggressive goals and influence entire industries.”

“Advancing smart policies requires smart politics. EDF’s Strategic Partners help widen support on both sides of the aisle.”

Dr. Daniel Dudek
VP

Gwen Ruta
VP Corporate Partnerships

Elizabeth Thompson
President, Environmental Defense Action Fund