Session on UN Conference for Sustainable Development (UNCSD, or Rio+20)

20 - 22 June 2012
The Secretariat of the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD, or Rio+20) invited inputs from Stakeholders for inclusion in a compilation document to serve as a basis for the preparation of zero draft of the outcome document.

In November 2011, the list of inputs was published. 32 submissions are mentioning coral reefs, and 2 are mentioning “ICRI”.
67. Recognize the significant economic, social and environmental contribution of coral reefs to island and coastal States, including by promoting regional cooperation on the model of the Coral Triangle Initiative (CTI), and **encouraging** the International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI).

70. Created in 1994, ICRI is recognized (UNGA 2010 resolution on coral reefs) as the leading international initiative on coral reefs advocacy, uniting both developed and developing countries which are co-chairing it.
Several UN entities have issued a Blueprint for Ocean and Coastal Sustainability, which highlights the role of oceans in sustainable development and offers recommendations ahead of the UN Conference on Sustainable Development.

The Global Ocean Forum has published a summary for decision makers of the assessment of progress in implementing goals and targets related to oceans, coasts and islands adopted by the UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) and the WSSD.
November 2011: A workshop convened by Monaco on the "Sustainable Use of Oceans in the Context of the Green Economy and Poverty Eradication" focused on sustainability practices in food security, renewable energy and tourism. The workshop aimed to contribute to the outcome document of the UN Conference for Sustainable Development.

The ICRI Secretariat is proposing a motion on “the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD)”