ICRI Adhoc Committee on Coral Disease

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ICRI Resolution on Coral Disease Adopted during the ICRI General Meeting 20-23rd April 2009, Phuket, Thailand

Calls on its Members to:

• **Support research** to improve the understanding of coral disease prevalence and vectors for transmission

• **Support actions** to improve the exchange of coral disease information to facilitate analysis of global trends and inform responsive management

• **Establish and participate** in an *ad hoc* working group to guide and inform collaborative action among ICRI members
Support the exchange of best practices in the collection and management of coral disease data;

Promote the role of existing tools and mechanisms for the reporting and assessment of the status of coral disease globally;

Explore the role of ICRI members in supporting sustainable contributions of coral disease data and information to appropriate global reporting processes and build partnerships and process to support this.
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Key Activities

**Guidance brief on best practices for** the collection and reporting of coral disease information to inform active monitoring and research programmes

**Targeted outreach:** ‘key messages’ prepared by the ICRI community to highlight the potential implications for ecosystem and human health, to inform decision making

Enhance contributions to the Global Coral Disease Database GCDD and raise the profile of coral disease data collection efforts within ICRI, and build out the global network for sustainable status updates
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UNEP-WCMC will provide in-kind resources and support to specific activities and the coordination of the ad hoc Committee during 2010.

The ICRI Committee on Coral Disease invites participation from interested parties and looks forward to productive collaborations.

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