Developing legal tools to protect Coral Reefs in the Americas

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What is AIDA?

What is our work with coral reefs in the Americas?
- Costa Rica
- Mexico
- International best practices project

How can AIDA contribute to ICRI’s objectives?
Our mission

To promote the ability of citizens to protect their health and environment through the development and enforcement of national and international environmental laws.

La Oroya, mining project. Perú
Participating Organizations (Ops)

① ECOJUSTICE, Canada
② Earthjustice, USA
③ Mexican Environmental Law Center (CEMDA) Mexico
④ Justice for Nature, Costa Rica
⑤ The Center for Environmental Law and Natural Resources (CEDARENA), Costa Rica
⑥ Environmental Advocacy Center (CIAM), Panamá
⑦ The Public Interest Defense Organization, Colombia
⑧ The Peruvian Society for Environmental Law (SPDA) Peru
⑨ Center for Human Rights and Environment (CEDHA), Argentina
⑩ The Office of the Environment, Chile
Strategic Themes

- Human rights and environment
- Climate change
- Environmental governance and public participation
- Freshwater preservation
- Marine biodiversity and coastal protection
Our work with coral reefs in America

International perspective
Regional actions
Legal analysis and recommendations
Creative approaches
Costa Rica

- 93% of coral reefs in danger
- US$ 582 M per year
- Report
- Coral protection draft regulation
Mexico

- Petition RAMSAR-IUCN-UNESCO
- Citizen Submission CCA
- Report

Plans for resort in Mexico ignite concern about reef
Legal best practices for coral protection

Phase One: Research and Coalition-Building

Phase Two: Advocating for Reform in Key Nations of the Americas

Goals

• Innovative and Valuable Collaboration
• Networking
• Analysis of political opportunities for action
• Promoting change
ICRI & AIDA

- Regional work to protect coral reefs
- International environmental law expertise
- Broad experience in the Americas and work with the Ops
- Present and future projects
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