

Coral Guardian
The President

Paris, 15 September 2016,

Xavier Sticker,
French Ambassador for the Environment

Subject : Coral Guardian's application for ICRI membership

Dear Mr. Sticker,

Hereby, I would like to express our wish to become a member of the International Coral Reef Initiative.

Coral Guardian is a French Non-Governmental Organisation accredited by the COP21 conference. Since 2010 we have been working on restoring and conserving coral reefs in Indonesia, in the heart of the Coral Triangle.

We implement community-based participatory conservation projects. The empowerment of coastal communities in the conservation and sustainable management of coral reefs is the main goal of our mission.

To this end, we work in close partnership with the French Embassy in Indonesia. Thanks to this cooperation, the Embassy leverage Coral Guardian's expertise deploying its diplomacy and its influence in the area.

Our mission is being carried out simultaneously in France and worldwide through public environmental awareness and education. Furthermore, our commitment has enabled the adoption of an amendment against coral reefs dredging in France.

We would very much like to put our experience and dynamism at ICRI's disposal. Based on the impact of our messages we would contribute to implement the Call and Framework for Action.

We wish to benefit from the knowledge and experience of ICRI's members and raise with them an international community to conserve these endangered ecosystems. I can assure you Coral Guardian's entire commitment to ICRI.

I hope to have the pleasure to work with you on protecting this sensitive environment and the populations who depend on its sustainable management.

Sincerely,

Maxime Beraud

