



Member’s report on activities to ICRI

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Please note that the purpose of this report is to help you share information about your activities within the ICRI community to allow discussion at the next ICRI General Meeting. The reports will be made available on the ICRIForum prior to the meeting. The ICRI secretariat is well aware of your busy schedule, thus don’t hesitate to submit an incomplete report.

- 1. General Information** (note that this information will be post on the ICRIForum in your member page: <http://www.icriforum.org/about-icri/members-networks>)

Are you an ICRI Member?	Yes
Representation to ICRI (Country / Organization):	Organization
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Focal point 2:	
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Organization:	
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Last meeting attended:	Monaco
How do you circulate ICRI information within your country and/or organization?	
Budget allocated for coral reef related activities (please mention for year/period):	EUR 800,000/period 2007-2010)

For countries only:

National Action Plan / Initiative	
Do you have a National Coral Reef action plan?	YES / NO
Is this plan publicly available? If so please provide location:	
Do you have a National Coral Reef Initiative or Task Force?	YES / NO
Are you engaged in any regional programs / initiatives relating to coral reefs:	
If yes, please indicate which programmes/initiatives:	

- 2. Updates on your activities** (new initiatives/programs/projects of your government /organization which will be of interest to the ICRI Members)

Mangroves: SPREP is facilitating the first regional workshop on mangrove monitoring in Fiji from November 8th-12th, 2010 and has signed an agreement with IUCN under the

Pacific Mangrove Initiative which aims at fostering collaboration between different regional partners such as USP, WorldFish Center, SPREP and IUCN. SPREP has also collaborated with member countries to formulate the new Regional Mangrove Action Plan for 2011-2013.
(For more information, contact Vainuupo Jungblut: vainuupoj@sprep.org)

Turtles: SPREP facilitated the following projects and activities:

- sub regional satellite tagging training in Fiji;
- Community-based turtle monitor project under the CEPF funds.
- Regional review of turtle legislation
- Dugong surveys with the secretariat of the Convention on Marine Species in PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia and Palau
(For more information, contact Lui Bell: luib@sprep.org)

Coral Reefs: SPREP is completing its component of the CRISP programme with the following products to be delivered in the next few weeks:

- Business plan for the Moorea MPA network, French Polynesia (Earth Collective)
- Economic valuation of various integrated coastal management approaches in the Pacific region (IUCN Oceania)
- Tool for communities to assess their supplementary livelihood options (Foundation of the People of the South Pacific International)
- Governance framework for the Solomon Islands to assist community-based management
- Review of Community Marine Managed Area Monitoring and development of a participatory monitoring protocol.

Under the Taiwan-Republic of China fund, SPREP is finalizing an economic valuation of the use of destructive fishing practices in Kiribati along with policy recommendations to improve legislation on these practices.

3. Contribution to the ICRI GM: Your responses to the following questions will assist the Secretariat in assessing contributions towards the major themes of the current ICRI action plan and objectives of the general meeting. Due to the heavy schedules of ICRI members, we have tried to keep the questions to a minimum and value any response you can provide.

a. Session on accidental releases of pollutants

Please provide any lessons you have learned from your experiences in managing accidental pollutions and any projects/programs you are involved in. Do you have report or documents related to this topic?

b. During the meeting, a full day will focus on the Pacific region. If you have any question about the region, ongoing projects in the region... please let us know.

c. What other new initiatives/programs/projects/progress, in particular since January 2010, has been made by your government/organization relative to i) Marine Protected Areas, Ramsar, World Heritage sites, and Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB) sites designation containing coral reefs; ii) Policy changes; iii) Economic valuation of coral reef ecosystem services, etc., which you believe would be of general interest to other ICRI Members?

See 2.

d. We would also like to know if some of the recommendations or resolutions adopted during the last ICRI meeting (<http://icriforum.org/icrigm24>) have been taken forward by your country or organization.

e. Is there any topic you would like to raise during the meeting?

f. Please list publications, reports you have been released since April 2009;

Govan, H. et al. 2009. Status and potential of locally-managed marine areas in the South Pacific: meeting nature conservation and sustainable livelihood targets through wide-spread implementation of LMMAs. SPREP/WWF/WorldFish-Reefbase/CRISP. 95pp + 5 annexes

Conservation International – Pacific Islands Programme, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme. 2009 *Priority Sites for Conservation in Samoa: Key Biodiversity Areas*. Apia, Samoa

SPREP, 2010. Threatened Marine Biodiversity in the Pacific Region.

SPREP, 2010. Findings for Fiji Extinction Resistance project.

g. Please indicate upcoming coral reef-related meetings you will attend?