



Barbados report on activities to ICRI

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Reporting period

1. General Information

Representation to ICRI (Country / Organization):	Barbados/Coastal Zone Management Unit (CZMU)
Focal Point 1:	Dr. Lorna Inniss
Focal point 2:	Angelique Brathwaite
Last meeting attended:	Cozumel, Mexico 2006
How do you circulate ICRI information within your country and/or organization?	Via reports
Budget allocated for coral reef related activities (please mention for year/period):	2006-2007 - BDS\$65 000/ US\$32 500

For countries only:

National Action Plan / Initiative	
Do you have a National Coral Reef action plan?	
Is this plan publicly available? If so, please provide location:	
Do you have a National Coral Reef Initiative or Task Force?	YES –The Marine Research Section of the Coastal Zone Management Unit
Are you engaged in any regional programs / initiatives relevant to coral reefs:	Yes
If yes, please indicate which programs/initiatives:	LBS, WW2BW, CBD, Caribbean Marine Atlas Project, GloBallast
Marine Protected Areas	
How many MPA(s) with coral reefs?	1
What is the percentage of coral reef MPA(s) to the (coastal zone / marine area)?	0.02%. The coral reef legislation protects all corals around the island, both in and outside of the MPAs
Please provide the appropriate contact name for MPA data holdings	Ramon Roach (CZMU)
Details for contact (email/fax/telephone)	rroach@coastal.gov.bb , fax (246) 228 5956, phone (246) 228 5950

2. Member contribution to the ICRI GM:

A. Questions to inform the break-out discussion groups

Session 1: Economic Valuation of coral reef ecosystems

- a. Do you have examples of economic valuation of coral reefs being applied in practice? (e.g., in consideration of coastal land use, coastal/marine spatial planning, for determining compensation, etc.);

Our original estimate of \$200 BDS per meter square of coral has been used in determining monies to paid in two anchor damage cases to date. This estimate is extremely low and was calculated using only Fisheries and Tourism. A study is ongoing to provide a more realistic economic valuation of coral reefs in Barbados.

- b. Do you have established methods for assessing these values? If so, please provide further information.

No, methods are being established as part of the aforementioned study.

Session 2: Designing the ICRI Regional Workshop on Sustainable Tourism

- a. With respect to coral reefs, what does sustainable tourism mean to you?

Sustainable Tourism means a tourist product who's output does not have an overall negative impact on coral reefs, i.e. not resulting in net deterioration of reef via nutrient enrichment, physical damage etc.

- b. What are the key challenges you face to achieving sustainable tourism?

- The belief of many tourism policy makers and that tourism is essential to SIDS at any cost, even at the expense of the natural environment.
- The lack of an accurate economic valuation of coral reefs.
- The lack of support of an educated public.

B. Summary of IYOR 2008 Activities

- Briefly tell us about your activities for IYOR 2008. Information provided will contribute to the discussion during the IYOR 2008 Session on Friday, January 25, 2008.

Our activities have a focus on public education which we believe is one of the primary issues in Barbados. Public education will take the form of the traditional community talks, with personnel travelling to the different communities. A book on the coral reefs of Barbados is being developed as well as a 7 part television series on the corals of Barbados. A meeting of Eastern Caribbean scientists and a training programme on Crime Scene Investigations fro Coral reefs is being planned as well as Mini Symposium for participants from primary Schools to University. The Arts will be used to show case the beauty of coral reefs in dance, photography, sculptures, music, film, fashion and poetry. A complete list is outlined below.

NO.	TITLE
1	Opening and Closing Ceremonies
2	Going Coastal Television Series
3	Coral Reef Monitoring and Data Management in the Eastern Caribbean Scientific Meeting
4	A Crime Scene Investigations (CSI) for Corals
5	Ocean Day Rededication Ceremony
6	Waterworld X (public water based activities and talks)
7	Barbados – A Coral Paradise Book
8	Love Your Corals Campaign
9	An Evaluation of the IYOR 2008 Programmes
10	Art and Science Exhibition
11	International Coastal Clean Up Day - Underwater Clean Up
12	NIFCA – National Cultural Festival
13	Ocean Fair
14	The Dance Circle
15	Dinner and Fashion Show
16	Coral Reef Signage
17	Film in Schools
18	Coral Reef Mini Symposium
19	Kiddies Kadooment
20	Crop Over – National Festival
21	The Barbados Dive Operator's Dive Festival
22	CZMU Community Talks

C. Emerging Issues

- Please identify any emerging issues relevant to coral reef ecosystems that you believe ICRI should consider.

None that you are not already considering.

D. ICRI and Other Meetings

Are your ICRI Focal Points considering attending any of the following meetings in 2008?

- ☐ 2008 Ocean Sciences Meeting, Florida, 2-7 March
- ☐ CBD COP 9, Bonn, 19-30 May
- ☐ UNICPOLOS 9, New York, June 2008
- ☐ **ICRS 11, Fort Lauderdale, 7-11 July - Yes**
- ☐ IUCN World Conservation Congress, Barcelona, 5-16 October
- ☐ Ramsar COP 9, South Korea, 29 October - 4 November
- ☐ Other (please specify):
 - IMO Meeting