



Member's report on activities to ICRI

Presented by Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme, Samoa

Reporting period May 2010 – December 2010

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

Are you an ICRI Member?	Yes
Representation to ICRI (Country / Organization):	SPREP, Samoa
Focal Point 1:	
<i>Name:</i>	<i>Caroline Vieux</i>
<i>Organization:</i>	<i>SPREP</i>
<i>Email:</i>	<i>carolinev@sprep.org</i>
Focal point 2:	
<i>Name:</i>	
<i>Organization:</i>	
<i>Email:</i>	
Last meeting attended:	Phuket, Thailand
How do you circulate ICRI information within your country and/or organization?	
Budget allocated for coral reef related activities (please mention for year/period):	1,000,000 – 2007/2011
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?	
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)

As part of the implementation of the Coral Reef InitiativeS for the Pacific Programme (CRISP), the following projects have been completed or are underway:

- Completion of the status of Marine Managed Areas in the South Pacific and production of communication support, poster and CD (report attached)

- Completion of a business plan for the MPA network of Moorea in French Polynesia
- Implementation of a governance project in the Solomon Islands for the government to better assist communities managing their marine resources (see interim report attached)
- Starting of a 6-month Marine Managed Area monitoring project aiming at reviewing existing monitoring programme. Draft objectives are the following:
 - Clear list of the mistakes that have been made and ways to avoid them
 - Audit check list – how to quickly detect mistakes or biases being made
 - Clarification of the objectives of monitoring and relation of these to the types of monitoring required
 - What have we learnt from data intense methods e.g. EBM in Fiji versus data light?
 - Objective if not critical review of what biol. Monitoring and CPUE have delivered to date
 - What would potential designs for government monitoring/coordination of and within national systems of Locally-Managed Marine Areas look like (e.g. in Samoa, Fiji, Solomon Islands)
 - A compilation of the relative costs of monitoring compared to management and coordination
 - A product/manual to assist countries in choosing the most adapted monitoring protocol according to their management objective, human and financial capacity. This may involve developing new techniques (e.g. perception, experimental fishing...)
- Starting of an economic assessment of coastal zone management approaches in the Pacific to be undertaken by IUCN Regional Office for Oceania.

In addition to the CRISP programme:

- Starting of a collaboration with UNEP on an Ecosystem-Based Management project in Papua New Guinea. For more information, contact Jeffrey Kinch (jeffreyk@sprep.org).

- 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.

NOTE: The Secretariat will compile Members' responses to the below questions into a general presentation to be given during the GM. The Secretariat will also request specific Members to highlight certain initiatives, should additional information be of interest to the full ICRI membership.

- a. **Fisheries session:** Please provide any lessons you have learned from your experiences in managing fisheries and any projects/programs you are involved in.
- What was The Problem or the Challenge? – including information on the location, the perceived problem and the effects on the coastal resources
 - What was done? Both ecological and sociological interventions
 - How successful was it? E.g. has fisheries improved; positive effects on coral reefs; better reef resources exportation ?
 - Lessons learned and recommendations; Key messages to convey to other people
 - References
 - Author/s Contact

- b. The ICRI secretariat is planning on revisiting/updating the ICRI “call to action” (http://www.icriforum.org/library/call_action.pdf) and ICRI “framework to action” (http://www.icriforum.org/library/framework_action.pdf). Please provide any guidelines you think would be useful.
- c. During the meeting, a full day will focus on the Caribbean region. If you have any question about the region, ongoing projects in the region,... please let us know.
- d. During the meeting, we are planning on having a presentation on the “Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB)”. Could you please list your coral reef sites listed under the MAB programme.
- e. What other new initiatives/programs/projects/progress, in particular since April 2009, has been made by your government/organization relative to Marine Protected Areas, Ramsar site designations containing coral reefs, policy changes, economic valuation of coral reef ecosystem services, etc., which you believe would be of general interest to other ICRI Members?
- f. Please list publications, reports you have been released since April 2009
 - Govan, 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. CRISP-SPREP, WWF, 139p.
 - CRISP, 2009. Marine Managed Areas in the Pacific Poster. SPREP, WorldFish Center, ReefBase Pacific, WWF.
 - CRISP, 2009. Marine Managed Areas in the Pacific CD. SPREP, WorldFish Center, ReefBase Pacific, WWF, DVD
 - Kinch J. and Teitelbaum A., 2009. Proceedings of the sub-regional workshop on the marine ornamental trade in the Pacific. Nouméa, 2-5 December, 2008. SPC, SPREP, CRISP. 68p.
 - Lal P., Kinch J., Wickam F., 2009. Review of Economic and Livelihood Impact Assessments of, and Adaptation to, Climate Change in Melanesia. SPREP, Bishop Museum, Pacific Science Association, Indo-Pacific Conservation Alliance. 84p.
 - Lal P., Kinch J., Wickam F., 2009. Institutional capacity within Melanesian countries to effectively respond to climate change impact, with a focus on Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands. SPREP, Bishop Museum, Pacific Science Association, Indo-Pacific Conservation Alliance. 76p.

For any of the above questions, please provide links to further information. As appropriate, the Secretariat will compile such information to make it accessible to all Members on the ICRI Forum.

ICRI and Other Meetings - Are you considering attending any of the following meetings in 2009?

- 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP15) to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora Doha, Qatar, from 13 to 25 March 2010
- 5th Global Oceans Conference: Ensuring Survival, Preserving Life, and Improving Governance:

- Policy, Science, and Technical Symposium (May 3-4, 2010)
 - Policy Conference (May 6-7, 2010)
- 10th Meeting of the conference of the Parties to the convention on Biological Diversity (COP 10), October 18-29, 2010, Nagoya, Japan
- Other (please specify):