

International Coral Reef Initiative side event

Wednesday, 20 October 2010 - 16:30 - 18:00 / Room 234A - Bldg 2 - 3rd Floor

Light meals and refreshments (including wine) will be provided

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1. Welcoming remarks by the government of Japan

Mr. Tsunao Watanabe, Deputy Director-General, Ministry of the Environment

2. The International Coral Reef Initiative

Ambassador Thébault, Ambassador for the Environment, France
CEO, Ministry of Natural Resources, and Environment, Samoa

3. Few facts about the importance of coral reefs

Dr. Vo Si Tuan, Vice Director, Institute of Oceanography, Vietnamese Academy of Science and Technology

4. ICRI Regional activities to improve the management of coral reefs

4.1 ICRI East Asia Initiative on MPA networks

Mr. Yoshihiro Natori, Senior Visiting Fellow, United Nations University Institute of Advanced Studies

4.2 ICRI Caribbean strategy against the Lion fish

Christine Dawson, Director, Office of Ecology and Conservation, US Department of State

4.3 The Coral Reef Initiatives for the Pacific (CRISP)

Julien Calas, FFEM

5. Questions/Discussions

Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity Nagoya, Japan

About the International Coral Reef Initiative

The International Coral Reef Initiative is a unique public-private partnership that brings together governments, international organizations, scientific entities, and non-governmental organizations committed to reversing the global degradation of coral reefs and related ecosystems, such as mangroves forest and seagrass meadows, by promoting the conservation and sustainable use of these resources for future generations. The Initiative is currently co-chaired by the government of Samoa and France. For more information, visit www.icriforum.org or contact: fstaub@icriforum.org.