

The Regional Organization for The Conservation of The Environment of The Red Sea and Gulf of Aden

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Regional Protocols

The Regional Convention for the Conservation of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden Environment (the Jeddah Convention) (1982)

- Protocol Concerning Regional Cooperation in Combating Pollution by Oil and other Harmful Substances (1982).
- Protocol for Protection of Marine Environment from Pollution from Land Based Activities (2005).
- Protocol Concerning the Conservation of Biological Diversity and the Establishment of Marine Protected Areas (2005).
- Protocol concerning the transfer of personnel and equipment between member countries during marine emergency cases in the RSGA region (2009).



Regional Training Programme



Compensation for reef damage



Taxonomical Training



Alien species

Around 10 workshops/year in different topics





GIS Training



Desalination units

Regional experts meetings





Community Participation Programme



Egypt



Somalia



Saudi Arabia





Jordan



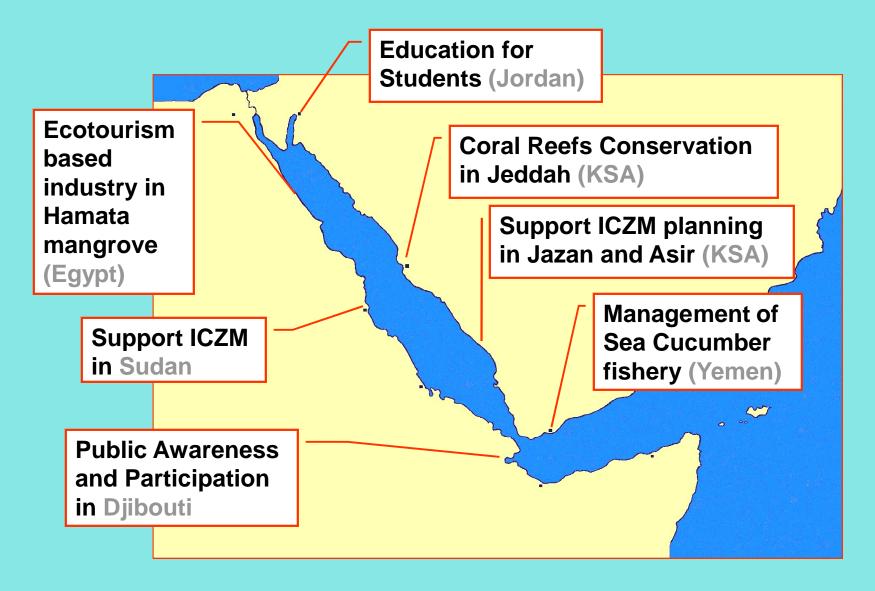
Yemen



Sudan



On-ground Activities Programme





Regular status reports & environmental awareness materials





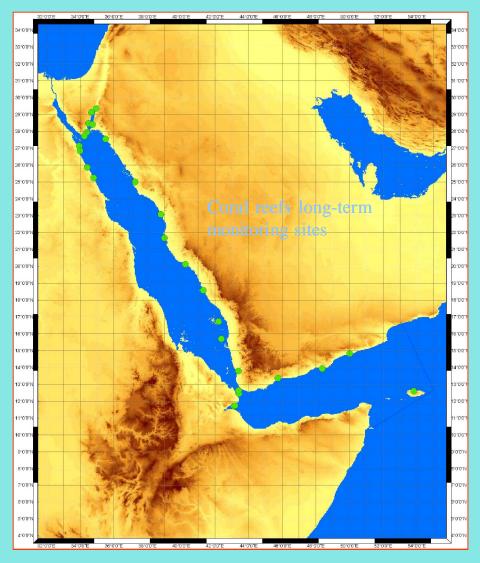
Regional Marine Protected Areas Network

- Protocol Concerning the Conservation of Biological Diversity and the Establishment of Marine Protected Areas (2005).
- 12 Marine Protected Areas (Regional MPA's Network).
- Rapid Assessment & Master Plan for each MPA.
- More than 35 sites recognized as sensitive or proposed areas.





Regional Network of Reef Monitoring Sites



- Long-term Monitoring Programme was designed to insure the sustainability of the reef status data, which facilitate management actions.
- Regional reef survey was carried out during 2002 at 52 site.
- During 2008, a total of 36 sites were chosen as Regional Network of Reef Monitoring Sites, and status report was prepared to be launched in February 2010.



Establishing Regional Web; Data-Base; and GIS

- Enhancing the communication with the regional and international community.
- A new version of PERSGA website came online in 2009
 - Better coordination of the regional experts networks and working groups.
 - Regular updating of the Monitoring Programme data.
 - More efficient linkage with PERSGA library, Data-Base, and GIS.
- Comprehensive Regional marine and coastal Data-Base planned to be launched during 2010.
- GIS linked to the Data-Base planned to be incorporated into the website during 2010.



Cooperation opportunities

- Increase/develop/establish national competent teams in: UW survey techniques, damage assessment, data gathering and analysis, reporting, monitoring, etc.;
- Capacity Building of the MPA managers and rangers;
- Developing the MPA's towards more conservation efficiency and sustainability.