

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the International Tropical Marine Ecosystem Management Symposium (ITMEMS)

*5-8 December 2011, La Guadeloupe
(French West Indies)*

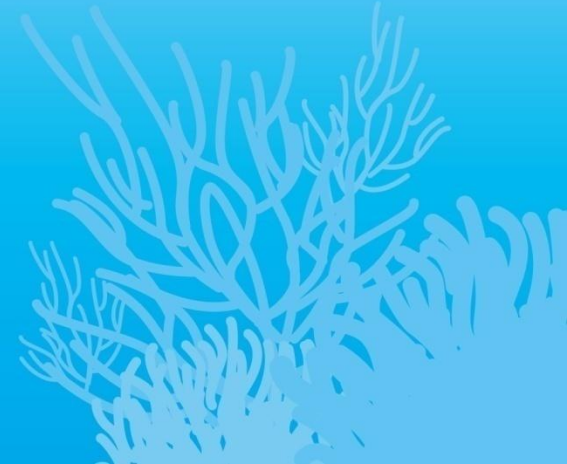


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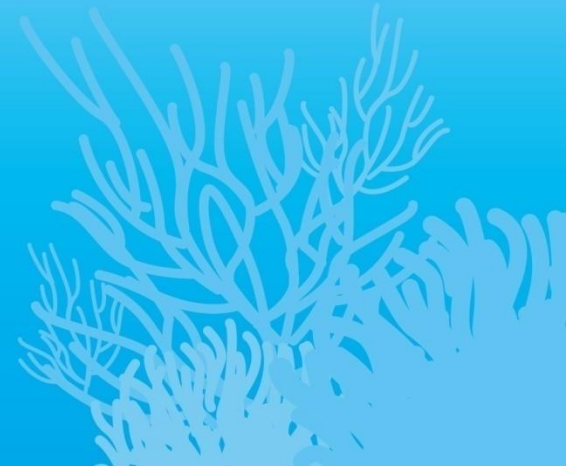
ITMEMS 3, Mexico, October 2006

ITMEMS 2, Philippines, April 2003

**ITMEMS1, Townsville, Australia,
November 1998**



ITMEMS aims to develop and strengthen the capacities of coastal and marine managers and their partners to conserve and promote the sustainable use of coral reefs and related ecosystems.



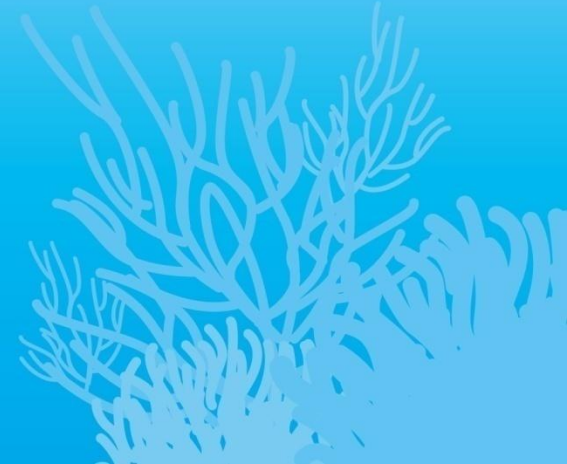
The Ad Hoc Committee was tasked with the following activities:

- Identify potential locations and dates for convening ITMEMS 4.
- Identify main activities which require funding and provide an indicative budget
- Provide and propose an outline of the ITMEMS 4 programme with potential themes and content.

The Caribbean



- 5-8 December 2011, La Guadeloupe (French West Indies)
- The 4-day meeting will convene approximately ~60 international participants.

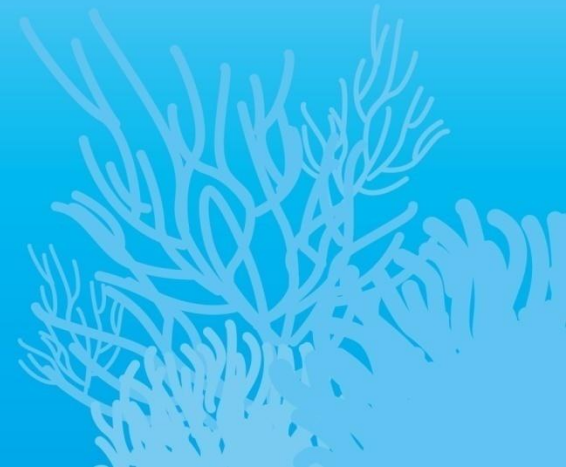


- Greater emphasis on capacity building training than previous ITMEMS.
- ITMEMS4 agenda adapted to encourage “learning by doing” and innovative approaches that can have a tangible impact on skill sets of managers.



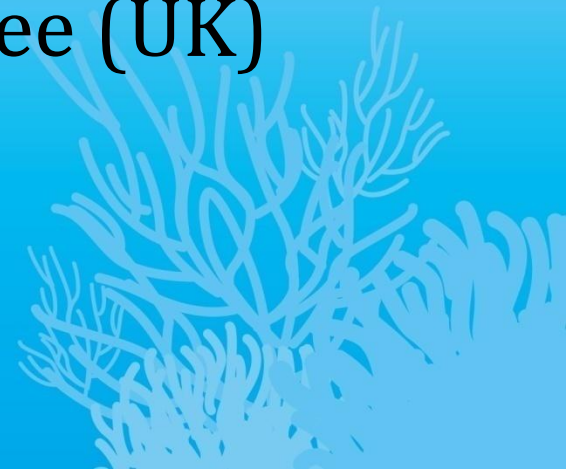
A series of priority issues have been proposed for discussion during ITMEMS 4 including:

- Resilience
- Marine Spatial Planning
- Communications training
- Sustainable Financing
- Research Priority Setting.



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