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Member's Report

INTERNATIONAL CORAL REEF INITIATIVE (ICRI) 33rd General Meeting 5-7 December 2018 – Principality of Monaco

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BLUE FINANCE

Reporting period December 2017 - November 2018

- **1.** Reporting on the ICRI Plan of Action <u>2016-2018</u>. Your responses will help inform the Secretariat about members' contributions toward the previous Plan of Action.
 - a. Please list any relevant examples from your organisation/country of investment/projects to protect and restore the natural infrastructure of reefs and mangroves. (See Goal (1) 2 ICRI Recommendation for supporting investments in the natural infrastructure of reefs and mangroves to increase climate resilience). N/A

b.	Has your organisation/country made any progress in the following areas to target anthropogenic pressures? Please give detail below. Note: If no change since		
	your last ICRI member report, please write 'no change'.		
	☐ Encourage ban of plastic microbeads in cosmetic products. (See Goal		
	(3) 2 & See ICRI Recommendation to reduce plastic microbeads pollution in marine environment):		
	\square Improve regulation and enforcement to reduce direct anthropogenic		
	damage due to dredging and physical alteration of reef structures. (See		
	Goal (3) 3 & ICRI Recommendation to reduce damage due to dredging and dumping on coral reefs):		
	\square Deployment of mooring devices limiting the mechanical destruction		
	of coral reefs and seagrasses. (See Goal (3) 4).		

- c. **Did your organisation/country celebrate International Year of the Reef?** Please give details below. (See Goal (5) 1 & <u>ICRI Recommendation designating 2018 as the third International Year of the Reef</u>): YES

 Monthly articles on coral roofs for newspaper Parhados Today.
 - Monthly articles on coral reefs for newspaper Barbados Today Development & Publication of Caribbean Factsheet: Communicating the Economic and Social Importance of Coral Reefs for Caribbean Countries Development & Publication of two manuals in association with UNEP:
 - 1. METHODOLOGY FOR SCALING MITIGATION AND COMPENSATORY MEASURES IN TROPICAL MARINE ECOSYSTEMS: MERCI-COR

2.	GUIDE TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS OF CORAL REEF
	ECOSYSTEMS

2. Contribution to the ICRI Plan of Action 2018-2020 and upcoming ICRI general meetings. Your responses to the following questions will assist the Secretariat in assessing contributions towards the major themes of the draft ICRI Plan of Action 2018-2020.

Theme 1 - Promote effective and adaptable solutions to improve the protection of coral reefs

a. Which of the below topics do you consider to be the three top challenges that

your organi below:	sation faces in managing coral reefs? Please select from the options
⊠ Cl	imate change impacts
☐ In:	adequate planning, zoning and management
☐ Un	sustainable resource extraction
□ То	ourism and recreation
☐ Sh	ipping
Со	astal development
☐ Dr	redging
🛛 III	egal and destructive fishing
☐ Fis	sh and coral trade
□м	arine debris
🛛 Ot	ther. Please specify: 1. Inadequate financing for management

- b. Please list any examples of innovative management practices that your organisation/country is involved in, such as use of VMS, drones & ecological mooring devices. Include their limits, conditions of implementation, financing and an assessment of their results and links for more information if possible. N/A
- c. Please list any examples of innovative funding for management that your organisation/country is involved in. Include their limits, conditions of implementation, financing and an assessment of their results and links for more information if possible. IMPACT INVESTMENT

- d. Please list any examples of leading practices, techniques and strategies for building reef resilience that your organisation/country is involved in. Include their limits, conditions of implementation, financing and an assessment of their results and links for more information if possible. N/A
- e. Please list any examples of leading practice reef restoration mechanisms that your organisation/country is involved in. Include their limits, conditions of implementation, financing and an assessment of their results and links for more information if possible. N/A

Theme 3 - Support communities reliant on coral reefs

- f. Is sustainable tourism development a significant challenge for your organisation? If so please include detail below of the kinds of challenges faced and your strategies to deal with them. N/A
- g. Is your organisation involved in activities to raise awareness and encourage action to support communities reliant on coral reefs? Please include details below. YES. Maintenance of Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/BarbadosMMA/

<u>Theme 4 – Help to reduce anthropogenic threats to coral reefs, particularly those that occur at a global or regional scale</u>

- h. What activities is your organisation involved in to elevate awareness of the global nature of the threat of climate change to coral reefs? Please include details below N/A
- i. Has your organisation made any progress in dealing with destructive fishing and trade? Please include details below. Not apart from promoting Marine Management Areas in which such practises are prohibited.
- j. **Has your organisation made any progress in dealing with marine debris?** Please include details below. N/A
- **3. Would you like to report on your activities during the ICRI GM?** Please give details below.

Y/N

- **4. International events.** Please list any upcoming international events relevant to ICRI which someone from your organisation plans to attend in 2018-2019.
 - ICRI GM, Monaco, 5-7 Dec 2018

Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate
Change, 3-14 Dec 2018
☐ Reef Futures 2018: A Coral Restoration and Intervention-Science Symposium, Florida,
10-14 Dec 2018
☐ Global World Heritage Marine Managers meeting, Alaska, US, 26-31 May 2019
Other:

5. Publications. Please list relevant publications and reports you have released during this reporting period.

Pioch S., Pinault M., Brathwaite A., Méchin A. and Pascal N., (2017). Guide To Environmental Impact Assessments Of Coral Reef Ecosystems. MERCI-Cor. March, 2018 IFRECOR handbook, 78 p.

Pioch S., Pinault M., Brathwaite A., Méchin A. and Pascal N., (2017). Methodology for Scaling Mitigation and Compensatory Measures in Tropical Marine Ecosystems: MERCI-Cor. IFRECOR handbook, 78 p.

ICRI (2018). Caribbean Factsheet: Communicating the Economic and Social Importance of Coral Reefs for Caribbean Countries, 5 p.

- **6. ICRI Member Feedback.** What do you find most valuable about the ICRI member reports? If you have any ideas for improvement please list below:
- **7. General Information.** (Note that this information will be posted on the ICRI website on your member page: http://www.icriforum.org/about-icri/members-networks.)

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