

Measuring success

Assessing the effectiveness of coral reef management

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ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL CORAL REEF INITIATIVE

A partnership among governments, international organisations, and non-government organisations.

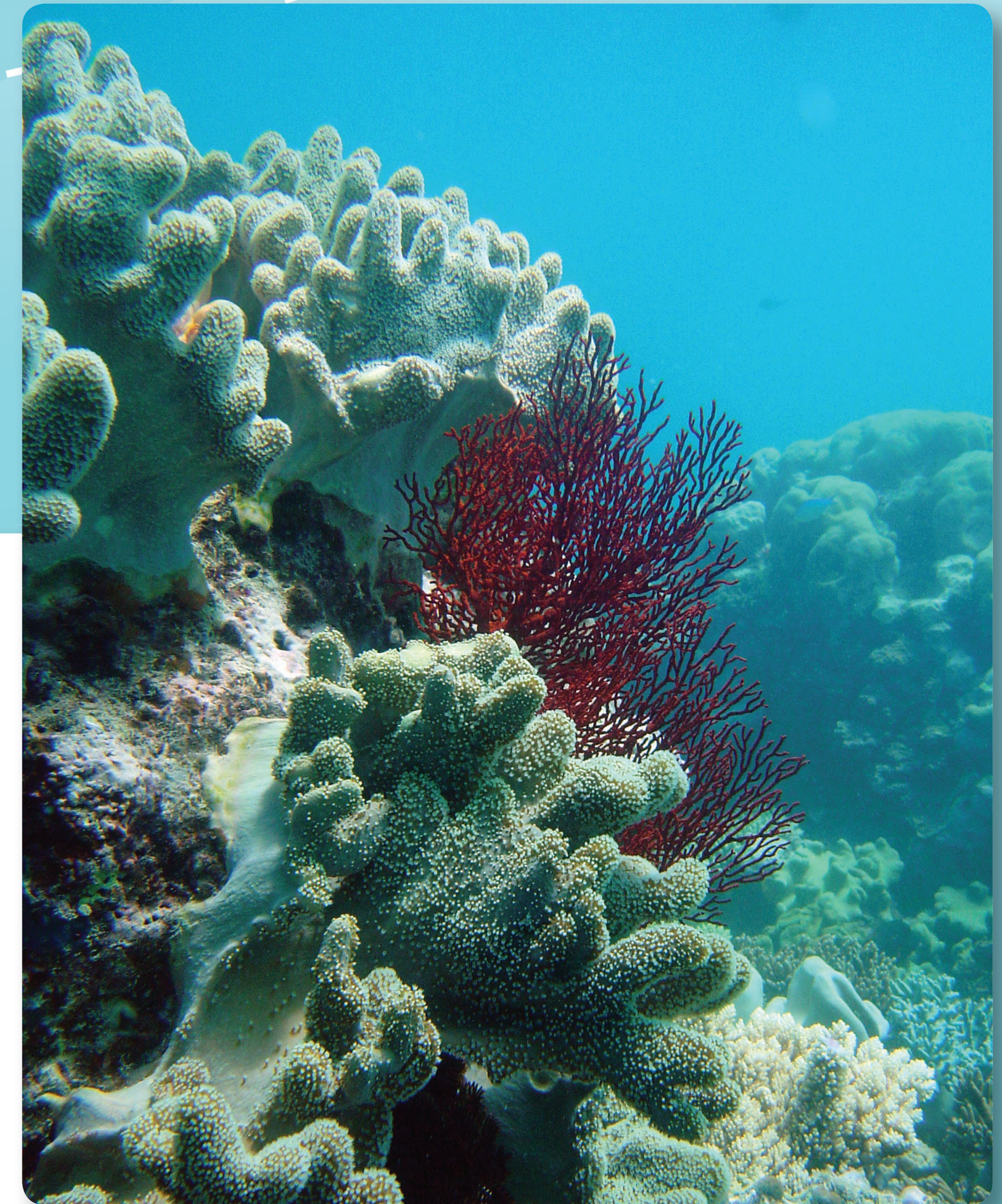
Dedicated to highlighting the importance of the world's coral reefs and related ecosystems, and the threats they face.

A forum to share, learn and strengthen.

How can we assess whether our management of protected areas is effective?

To assess if our practices are effective, we consider these questions which are based on the International Coral Reef Initiative's cornerstone principles:

- Are we using integrated approaches to management?
- Are we building capacity?
- Is our research and monitoring supporting management?
- Have we reviewed our actions?



ICRI MANAGEMENT EFFECTIVENESS WORKSHOP - JULY 2012 CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA

- 50 delegates from 24 countries
- Resolution adopted on management effectiveness assessment to provide guidance to coral reef managers



A guide to assessing whether coral reef management is effective

- Consider the benefits of using management effectiveness assessment in all aspects of managing protected areas.
- Adopt and use systems for regularly assessing the effectiveness of marine protected areas and other ways that are used to manage coral reef and associated ecosystems.
- Engage Indigenous and local communities and other stakeholders.
- Use the results to adapt and improve management action.
- Include information from these assessments in national, regional and international reporting.
- Contribute information on management assessments to global datasets.