

# ICRI *Ad Hoc* Committee on Reef Restoration

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Coral  
Restoration  
Consortium



# ICRI *Ad Hoc* Committee

- ▶ Formed at 33<sup>rd</sup> ICRI general meeting in 2018
- ▶ Aligns with current ICRI Plan of Action:

*“1c: Promote and build capacity for the restoration of resilient coral reefs.”*

- ▶ KM GBF - Target 2
- ▶ 2023 new Co- Chairs: Tali Vardi (CRC), Rowana Walton (UNEP-WCMC) - supported by Juliet Karisa (KMFRI)





## ICRI *Ad Hoc* Committee Members

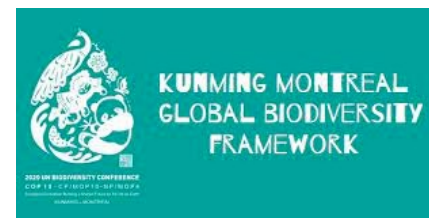
- ▶ 42 active members
- ▶ Government officials, NGO representatives, field-practitioners
- ▶ Global representation:
  - ▶ Regional Initiatives (SPREP, CTI, Commonwealth Blue Charter)
  - ▶ Countries (Japan, Belize, Indonesia, USA, France, Australia, etc...)
  - ▶ NGOs (Coral Guardian, REEFolution Kenya)
  - ▶ Global Initiatives (UNEP-WCMC, CORDAP, CRC, ICRS)

# Achievements

- ▶ 2021
  - ▶ ICRI restoration Hub page
  - ▶ Online training and capacity building - RRN
  - ▶ Restoration and resilience-based management workshop and publication
- ▶ 2022
  - ▶ CBD targets for coral
  - ▶ ICRS and Reef Futures
  - ▶ Rules and regulation workshop
- ▶ 2023
  - ▶ Maintained ICRI Restoration Hub
  - ▶ Updated materials and conduct mentored training
  - ▶ Built on National Academy recommendations
  - ▶ Linked with RBM ad-hoc Committee
  - ▶ Book Chapter for UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration
  - ▶ Advised the Coral Reef Breakthrough

# Proposed activities for 2024

- ▶ Continue international collaboration on coral reef restoration R&D
- ▶ Advocate for best practice restoration techniques
- ▶ Identify opportunities to partner on reef restoration research and development activities
- ▶ Maintain restoration hub on ICRI website
- ▶ Continued support of the UN Decade of Ocean Science, the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework



# Proposed activities for 2024

- ▶ Regulatory and permitting guidelines
- ▶ Webinars
- ▶ Coral bleaching communications
- ▶ Reef Futures 2024



# Join us!!



Commonwealth Blue Charter | Coral Triangle Initiative | Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) | International Coral Reef Society | Coral Guardian | Coral Restoration Consortium | UNEP-WCMC | The Nature Conservancy | United Nations Environment Programme | Reef Restoration and Adaptation Program | Reef-World Foundation | Great Barrier Reef Foundation | CORDAP | Coral Restoration Foundation | SECORE | NOAA | Global Fund for Coral Reefs | Australian Institute for Marine Science (AIMS)

▶ Thank you  
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