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INTERNATIONAL CORAL REEF INITIATIVE (ICRI)

General Meeting

Koror, Palau, 31 October – 2 November 2005

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## **ICRI Secretariat Plan of Action**

**Presented by the ICRI Secretariat**

### **Background**

1. The ICRI Secretariat for the term of July 2005 to June 2007 is co-hosted by the governments of Japan and the Republic of Palau.
2. Major tasks and duties of the Secretariat are stipulated in the revised Resolution of the "Organization and Management Procedures for the International Coral Reef Initiative" which was adopted by the ICRI members at the ICRI General Meeting in Seychelles, April 2005.
3. An outline of the work plan that the Secretariat will focus during the 2005-2007 term is presented as Annex.

### **Action Requested**

4. The General Meeting members are invited to
  - discuss on and endorse the attached Plan of Action.
  - establish Ad Hoc Committees on issues which need further discussions.
  - provide suggestions for the candidate site and date for the third General Meeting

## **Annex : Joint Japan-Palau ICRI Secretariat Action Plan 2005-2007**

1. The Secretariat will follow the Renewed ICRI Call to Action and the Framework for Action, and seeks to effectively manage and fulfil the role of the ICRI Secretariat by following the Revised Resolution of Organization and Management Procedure of the International Coral Reef Initiative.
2. The Secretariat will organize three ICRI General Meetings and focus on objectives listed below during the 2005-2007 term.

**Objective 1    Contribute to WSSD 2012 target on developing MPA networks relevant to tropical and subtropical coral reef ecosystems**

- Strengthen and update MPA database on East Asia and the Micronesia
- Cooperate with relevant conventions, organizations and networks working on coral reef MPAs in collaboration with ICRI MPA Ad Hoc Committee

**Objective 2    Promote regional cooperation in the Pacific**

- Facilitate participation and cooperation among the Pacific Island countries
- Strengthen cooperation with existing regional initiatives, for example, facilitation of regional ICRI workshops

**Objective 3    Review ICRI's activities over the past 10 years**

- Review ICRI activities over the past 10 years and consider ICRI's future direction
- Publish a booklet which depicts ICRI's activities of the past decade

**Objective 4    Promote outreach and awareness-raising of coral reefs**

- Initiate the work for proclamation of a day for coral reef conservation
- Encourage ICRI members to conduct local outreach and awareness-raising activities
- Promote utilization of the ICRIForum as the central gateway for information exchange and awareness-raising within and beyond the ICRI community

**Objective 5    Ensure successful ITMEMS 3 meeting (Cozumel, Mexico in 2006)**

- Effectively disseminate the outcomes of ITMEMS3 to promote international awareness about ICRI and coral reefs
- Maintain close linkage between ICRI and ITMEMS3