



11th  International
Coral Reef
SYMPOSIUM Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA
July 7-11, 2008

REEFS FOR THE FUTURE



USCRTF Presentation
Friday, March 2, 2007

Richard Dodge, Chair Local Organizing Committee

CRTF

The U.S. Coral Reef Task Force

Update: Task from St. Thomas USCRTF meeting

- #4. Support Planning and Implementation of the 11th ICRS
- gives key role for TF in ICRI & IYOR08



Background: **In 2004**

The U.S. Coral Reef Task Force

**formally endorsed a Local Organizing
Committee (LOC) representing the
CRTF & Florida**

to bid in Okinawa (at the 2004

10th ICRS) to host the next:



Success: US to host **11th International Coral Reef** **Symposium: July 2008**



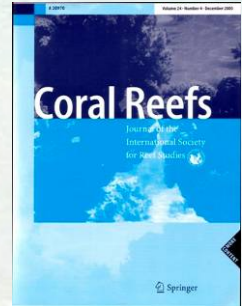
- **World's foremost coral reef Science meeting**
- **International scientists, managers, conservationists, NGOs, and young investigators.**
- **Prior Okinawa, Bali, Panama, Guam, Tahiti, Philippines, Australia, India.**
- **Held every 4 years.**
- **Last on U.S. mainland in 1977.**
- **>~2,500 attendees anticipated.**
- **Largest Coral Meeting in World**
- **IYOR-08 Centerpiece**



Sanctioning Organization: The International Society of Reef Studies (ISRS)



- Largest society of reef scientists
- Goal: scientific understanding of coral reefs
- Quarterly scientific journal *Coral Reefs*
(Peer-reviewed scholarly works on reef geology, biology, ecology, and environment)
- Publishes briefing papers & newsletter
- Sanctions the ICRS



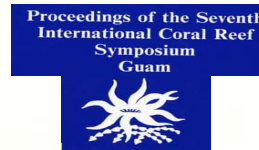
10th Okinawa 2004



9th ICRS 2000 Bali



8th Panama
1996



7th Guam 1992



6th Australia 1988



5th Tahiti 1985



4th Philippines
1980

11th ICRS Organizational Responsibility Local Organizing Committee & Host Country Endorsement Committee

LOC

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LOC's

MISSION:

**to provide
outstanding:**



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- **Science**
- **Media & Communication**
- **Field Programs**
- **Venue & Organization**
- **Wide international attendance including from students & developing countries**
- **Fiscal Responsibility**
- **Sponsorships (General & Event)**



**Ecumenical &
Encompassing
Science Program**



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- **Central theme REEFS FOR THE FUTURE**
- **What is happening NOW contributes to the future of coral reefs**
- **24 Question-driven mini-symposia around provocative themes**
- **Global (not parochial) in scope**
- **Topic & Chairs Established**
- **Call for Papers soon**

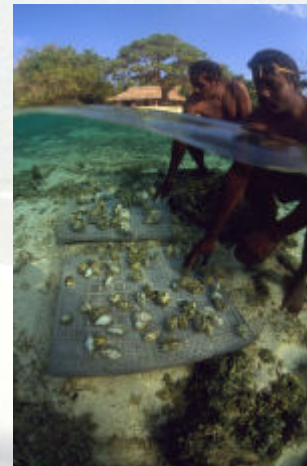
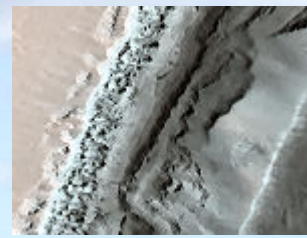
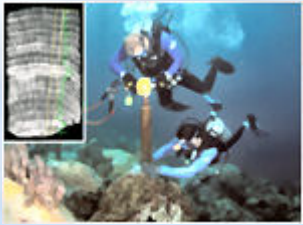
Sea Surface Temperature (°C)



11th ICRS Mini-Symposia

- Lessons from the past
- Calcification - past/future
- Recording environmental change
- Biology: corals / symbiosis
- Ecological / evolutionary genomics
- Diseases
- Microbial interactions
- Chemical ecology
- Ecological processes
- Reproductive timing regulation

- Reef Resilience
- Shifting Baselines
- Conservation
- Connectivity
- Monitoring and assessment
- Status and trends
- Modeling
- Social-ecological
- Fisheries
- Management
- Reef Restoration
- Climate change



Exceptional Field Programs

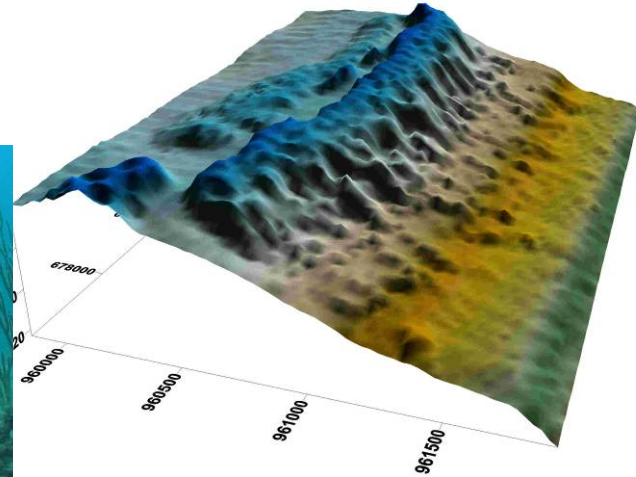


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- Florida Parks & Attractions
- Excellent diving facilities throughout

- Barrier Reefs
- Bank
- Atolls
- Fringing
- Patch
- Living & Fossil
- Fla & Carib.



- Models for sustainable conservation & management

- Regional Workshops (4):
- Caribbean, SE Asia, Pacific, Madagascar



Programmatic Features:



- **Build on Excellence of Previous Symposia**
- **Communication of Reef Science, Conservation, & Management**
- **Education & Outreach**
- **Media Facilitation**
- **Provide Visa Information**
- **Status of US Reefs dissemination**
- **Proceedings: Peer, Timely, CD, Hard**

Caribbean Coral
Reef Conservation
Exhibit





Venue: Ft.Lauderdale Florida

•Accommodations

•Convention Center



•Coral Reefs & Diving



•International Airports



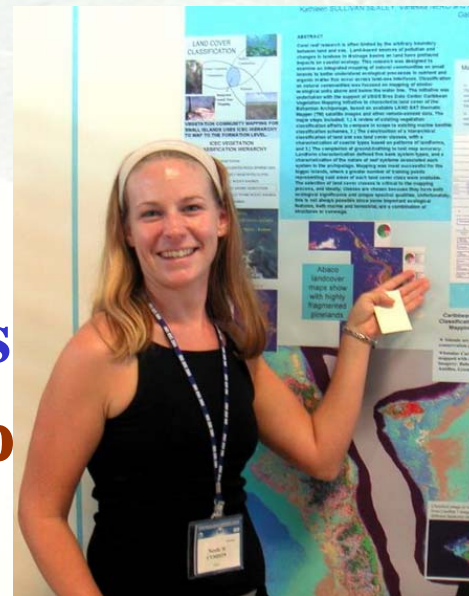


ICRI
IYOR-08
Keystone

Sponsorship Opportunities

- **Expanding Reef Science, Conservation & Management**
- **Communicating about the World's Coral Reefs**
- **Attention for US coral reefs, globally, and for:**
Florida, W. Atlantic, Caribbean & Gulf of Mexico

- **Scientists, Managers, Students, Conservationists**
- **Presentations, Plenaries, Panels**
- **Exhibits/Partnerships/Networks**
- **Field Trips, Regional Workshop**
- **US & Florida Hosted**



11th ICRS well worth the cost for its contributions to science, conservation, & management of Coral Reefs

REVENUE needed to meet **Expenses** budgeted from:

42% Registrations

26% **FEDERAL**

11% Florida

21% Donors & Foundations

- Seek Sponsors to ensure **SUCCESS!**
- **UPDATE:** →



Current 11th ICRS Sponsors & Opportunities

Co-Sponsors:



Barrier Reef Sponsors

The Summit Fund
of
Washington

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HERBERT W. HOOVER
FOUNDATION



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Fringing Reef



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Please be
responsive, when we
come a-knocking



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