Update: Task from St. Thomas USCRTFT meeting
• #4. Support Planning and Implementation of the 11th ICRS
• gives key role for TF in ICRI & IYOR08
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: 11th International Coral Reef Symposium 2008, Fort Lauderdale • Florida • USA
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.
- >~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
11th ICRS Organizational Responsibility

Local Organizing Committee & Host Country Endorsement Committee

LOC
Dr. Richard Dodge, NSU NCRI
Dr. John Ogden, FIO, USF
Dr. Robert van Woesik, FIT
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Dr. Robert Ginsburg, UM RSMAS
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Dr. Peter Swart, UM RSMAS
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Dr. Ruth Kelty, NOS NOAA
Dr. Frank Muller-Karger, USF

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Mr. Randal Bowman, DOI
Mr. Arthur E. Paterson, NOAA
Mr. Michael Sole, Sec., Fla DEP
Mr. Robert Ballard, Dep. Sec., Fla DEP
Ms. Steffanie Bailenson, Dir., OCAMA
LOC’s MISSION: to provide outstanding:

• Science
• Media & Communication
• Field Programs
• Venue & Organization
• Wide international attendance including from students & developing countries
• Fiscal Responsibility
• Sponsorships (General & Event)
Ecumenical & Encompassing Science Program

- 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
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

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

- 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
Venue: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

- Accommodations
- Convention Center
- Coral Reefs & Diving
- International Airports
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

Atoll Sponsor

Fringing Reef

Patch Reef Sponsor

Coral Colony Sponsor

But.... No new TF agency Sponsors

Please be responsive, when we come a-knocking
Thank you for your Stewardship, Visibility, & Commitment.