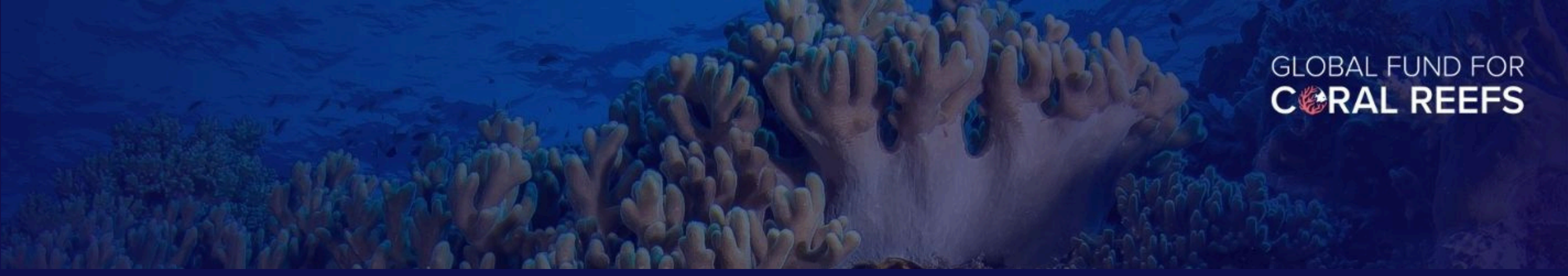
Regional Global Fund for Coral Reefs/Global Coral Reef Monitoring Network Workshop & Global Fund for Coral Reef REEF+ Convening

Date: 10 - 13 February 2025

Meeting Venue: Maru Maru Hotel, 400, Gizenga Street, Shangani, Stone Town, Zanzibar, Tanzania



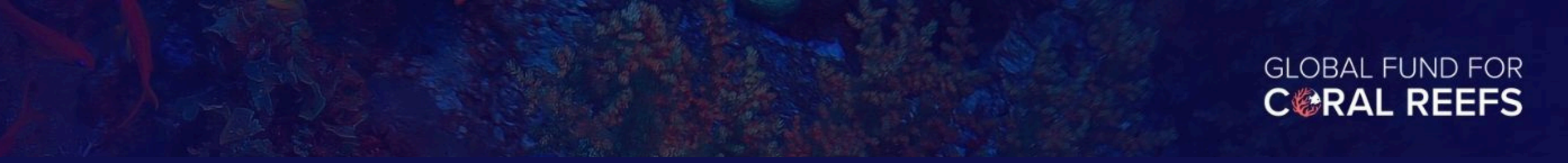
Monday 10 February

	MERMAID training (GFCR participants only)
9:00 – 10:30	**Session 1: GFCR M&E Reporting with MERMAID** • Welcome • Workshop objectives • Refresher on GFCR M&E Framework (5 mins.) - Ahmed Mohamed, UNEP ◦ 5-minute presentation on GFCR M&E Reporting requirements and timelines ▪ GFCR Fund Indicators, Project Indicators, and Annual Narrative Report • Fund Indicators on MERMAID and Project Indicators are separate excel sheets reporting to GFCR • Reporting Fund Indicators on MERMAID (60 mins.) - WCS/MERMAID ◦ The new GFCR M&E tool on MERMAID Collect • FAQ for Fund Indicators (10 mins.) - UNEP and UNDP ◦ FAQ on Finance Indicators ◦ Q&A with UNEP and UNDP • REEF+ Impact Dashboard (10 mins) - UNDP ◦ How data will flow from MERMAID ◦ Aggregation by sector, country, solution
10:30 – 11:00	**Coffee/Tea Break**
11:00 – 12:30	***Hands-on with MERMAID*** **Session 2: Entering Fund Indicators into MERMAID** • GFCR project set up in MERMAID ◦ Miamba Yetu ◦ Blue Alliance ◦ SeyCCat • Entering targets/baseline/report 'indicator sets' in MERMAID (30-minute working session) ◦ Convening agents choose one report to enter MERMAID • Feedback session with Convening Agents ◦ Feedback: How was their interaction with the M&E webforms in MERMAID? (10 mins) ◦ Q&A on the draft annual narrative report (5 mins) **Session 3: Data Visualization and Reporting** • Demo on XLSX download - WCS/MERMAID • Demo of custom reporting using MERMAID data using Google Collab • Feedback session with Convening Agents ◦ What is useful to tell you about how your program/solutions are performing? (10 mins. feedback) ▪ Convening agents send requests for additional charts and plots for reporting
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch**
14:00 – 15:30	***Hands-on with MERMAID (continued)*** **Session 4: Getting Fund Indicators Data into MERMAID and 1:1 Advising** • Continue on hands-on data entry for targets/baseline/first report 'indicator sets' • WCS and UNEP to provide 1:1 assistance with each Convening Agent
15:30 – 15:45	**Wrap-up and Next Steps** • Where to find additional resources online • Review of reporting timeline • Final questions, feedback and thank you!



Tuesday 11 February

9:00 – 9:10	**High-Level Opening** Hon. Minister Shaaban Ali Othman, Minister of Blue Economy & Fisheries, Zanzibar Dr. Abdulaziz Alsuwailem, ICRI Co-Chair, Chief Conservation and Strategy Officer, General Organization for the Conservation of Coral Reefs and Turtles in the Red Sea, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	
9:10 - 9:20	**Opening Remarks** Mr. Arthur Tuda, Executive Secretary of WIOMSA Dr. David Obura, Director of CORDIO East Africa and IPBES Chair Ms. Clara Makenya, UNEP Focal Point of Tanzania	
9:20-10:30	**Opening Session** • Purpose and objectives of the Regional Convening - Gabriel Grimsditch, UNEP • Presentation on Global Fund for Coral Reefs - Maxime Philip, UNCDF • Presentation on REEF+ and the Community of Practice workshop - Andrew Rylance, UNDP • Presentation on the GFCR M&E Framework and GCRMN workshop - Ahmed Mohamed, UNEP • Current status and progress on the GCRMN Global report - Tom Dallison, ICRI • Questions and Answers	
10:30-11:00	**Coffee/Tea Break - Group photo**	
11:00-12:30	**GCRMN/GFCR Workshops**	**REEF+ Convenings**
	Session 1 • Workshop objectives - UNEP • Synergies between the GFCR & the GCRMN - UNEP • Introduction of WIO Coral Reef Technical Working Group - Swaleh Aboud, CORDIO East Africa & Their Mwangi, Nairobi Convention • MERMAID Presentation - WCS ◦ How data from MERMAID is integrated into GCRMN ◦ How can MERMAID support GCRMN data contributors	**Session 1** **Kenya/Tanzania Presentation (WCS)** • In-depth programme update (30 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Challenges facing implementation ◦ Opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (60 minutes)
12:30-14:00	**Lunch**	
14:00-15:30	**Session 2** • A presentation on M&E for the GFCR - UNEP • Protocols for coral reef monitoring & data analysis in the WIO - David Obura, CORDIO East Africa ◦ The Western Indian Ocean Coral Reef Monitoring and Resilience Assessment Protocol ◦ The Western Indian Ocean Global Coral Reef Monitoring Network R Data Training Course	**Session 2** **Kenya/Tanzania Presentation (Blue Alliance)** • In-depth programme update (30 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Challenges facing implementation ◦ Opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (60 minutes)
15:30-16:00	**Coffee/Tea Break**	
16:00-17:30	**Session 3** • Standardization of monitoring sites for national, regional, and global alignment - Swaleh Aboud, CORDIO East Africa and Jeremy Wicquart, GCRMN • Structure and integration process of the gcrmndb_benthos data repository - Jeremy Wicquart, GCMRN • National Coral Reef Assessment (NCRA) regional node activities from the five countries; Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique, Madagascar and Comoros - Swaleh Aboud, CORDIO East Africa • Discussion: How standardised data can improve regional/national assessments	**Session 3** **Sri Lanka Presentation** • In-depth programme update (15 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Challenges facing implementation ◦ Opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (30 minutes) **Seychelles Presentation** • In-depth programme update (15 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Challenges facing implementation ◦ Opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (30 minutes)



Wednesday 12 February

9:00-10:30	**GCRMN/GFCR Workshops**	**REEF+ Convenings**
	Session 4 Insights from country coral reef coordination - 10 minutes each • Comoros - Mr. Saida Ahamada • France - Dr. Julien Wickel • Kenya - Dr. Juliet Karisa • Madagascar - Dr. Gildas Todinahary • Mozambique - Dr. Erwan Sola • Seychelles - Ms. Gilberte Gendron • Somalia - Mr. Abdela Abdinasir • South Africa - Dr. Sean Porter • Tanzania - Dr. Rose Salema SocMon plans for the region - Dr. Innocent Wanyonyi, COMRED	**Session 4** **Maldives Presentation** • In-depth programme update (15 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Challenges facing implementation ◦ Opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (30 minutes) **Egypt Presentation** • Presentation on approved programme (15 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of identified reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Potential challenges facing implementation ◦ Early opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (30 minutes)
10:30-11:00	**Coffee/Tea Break**	
11:00-12:30	**Session 5** Identifying capacity gaps in the region – what role can GCRMN & GFCR play in addressing these - David Obura, CORDIO East Africa, Tom Dallison, ICRI, and Gabriel Grimsditch, UNEP	**Session 5** **Jordan Presentation** • Presentation on approved programme (15 minutes) ◦ Deep dives into the design and structure of identified reef-positive businesses, financial mechanisms, incubators ◦ Potential challenges facing implementation ◦ Early opportunities to replicate and scale solutions ◦ Questions that the programme is still trying to answer • Q&A discussion (30 minutes) **Mozambique Presentation** • Presentation on the programme concept note (15 minutes) • Q&A on programme design (15 minutes)
12:30-14:00	**Lunch**	
14:00-15:30	**Session 6** Writing the WIO regional chapter and data integration - David Obura, Karin Moejes, CORDIO East Africa & Tom Dallison, ICRI • GCRMN regional chapter template and proposed process (+CREDIT)	**Session 6** **Technical Assistance Facilities in GFCR Programmes (45 minutes)** Facilitated discussion: • Commonalities and differences between TA and Financing Facilities under implementation • Mapping of services, operational modalities, pipeline sourcing and investment partnerships • Sharing of challenges and opportunities establishing TAFs. **Capacity Building on GCFR Policies (45 minutes)** • Presentation on GFCR policies required for programme implementation • Consultation on guidance notes to support policy implementation. • Training tools available on the implementation of and compliance with the GFCR policies
15:30-16:00	**Coffee/Tea Break**	
16:00-17:30	**Session 7** Communication and products around the WIO chapter - Karin Moejes, CORDIO East Africa, Tom Dallison, ICRI, and Gabriel Grimsditch, UNEP • Global presentation of timeline, process key events, and 2020 report products • Discussion: regional context and products	**Session 7** **BIOFIN Presentation (45 minutes)** • Content TBC **Pegasus Presentation** • Presentation on Oceanpick: ◦ What makes Oceanpick an interesting investment ◦ Investment structure ◦ Expected impact and return
17:30-19:30	**Time off**	
19:30	**Group Dinner**	



Thursday 13 February

	GCRMN/GFCR Workshops	REEF+ Convenings
9:00-10:30	**Session 8** Establishing a workplan for the WIO Coral Reef Technical Working Group - Karin Moejes, CORDIO East Africa & Their Mwangi, Nairobi Convention	**Session 8** **Future of REEF+** • **P**resentation on the next phase of REEF+ • Consultation and feedback • Group exercise of prioritised support services and schedule
10:30-11:00	**Coffee/Tea Break**	
11:00-12:30	**Session 9** Next steps on writing the regional chapter - Karin Moejes, CORDIO East Africa, Tom Dallison, ICRI & Gabriel Grimsditch, UNEP • Review of the GCRMN regional chapter template • Key people, writing responsibilities, timeline and authorship • Case studies	**Session 9** **Enabling conditions to unlock private investment for coral reefs (30 minutes)** • Presentation of GFCR policy brief • Presentation from GFCR coalition partner (TBD) • Facilitated discussion on country priorities and opportunities **Session 10** **Blended Finance Training (60 minutes)** • Anatomy of a Blended Finance Transaction
12:30-14:00	**Lunch**	
14:00-15:30	**Session 10** Future collaboration between the GFCR & the GCRMN in the region and beyond - Gabriel Grimsditch, UNEP	**Session 10 (continued)** **Blended Finance Training** • Group exercise: Designing a Blended Finance transaction
16:00-17:30	**Plenary room - Feedback session between groups** Plenary presentation where each parallel session provides an overview of discussions and results. • GCRMN group presents Western Indian Ocean Report Chapter storyboard • Ideas to full group REEF+ business group presents solutions Q&A on the earlier presentations with the aim of cross-pollination, encouraging all to think about how to monitor and measure a solution's positive impact on the ecosystem	
17:30-19:30	**Time off**	
19:30	**Dinner**	