



The Sixth GCRMN Status of Coral Reefs of the  
World: 2020

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(French Time – UTC+2)



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**Agenda (05/09/2021)**

The sixth Status of Coral Reefs of the World: 2020 is the first global status of coral reefs since 2008 by the GCRMN, and the first based on a quantitative analysis of a global dataset produced from contributions from several hundred scientists and organisations from 73 reef bearing countries. The session will highlight the main trends and recommendations to inform decision-making and strengthen ambition for the protection of coral reef ecosystems.

**Moderator:** Minna Epps, Director, Global Marine & Polar Programme (GMPP), IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature)

**(‘5) Coral reefs: a vulnerable ecosystem critical to living in harmony with nature**  
*His Excellency Bernard Fautrier*

**(‘5) The importance of monitoring in the context of the UN Decades – Video**  
*Inger Andersen, Executive Director, UNEP*

**(‘5) Delivering a foundation for managing coral reef resilience – Video**  
*Jamie Isbister, Australia’s Ambassador for the Environment*

**(‘15) Presentation of the Status of the coral reefs of the world: 2020, A mixed global status but not catastrophic**  
- *Dr. David Souter, AIMS – Video*  
- *Dr. Serge Planes, CRIOBE*

**(‘5) The next 10 years for monitoring of coral reefs**  
*Dr. David Obura, CORDIO*

**(‘5) The GCRMN, Coral Reefs and The CBD - Video**  
*Elizabeth Mrema, Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the CBD*

**(‘5) Closing remarks**  
*Brian Aggeler, Chargé d’affaires U.S. Embassy, Paris*

**(‘5) Questions**

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