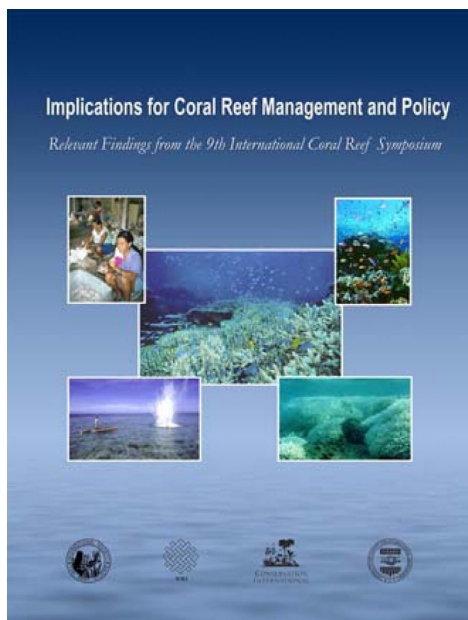


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Coral reefs constitute one of the earth's most complex, beautiful and biologically diverse ecosystems. Unfortunately, many coral reefs around the world are seriously threatened by overexploitation, destructive fishing practices, coastal development, pollution, and global climate change. In response to these threats, over 1,500 scientists, managers, resource users, government officials, journalists and others interested in coral reef studies and management gathered in Bali, Indonesia in October of 2000 for the 9th International Coral Reef Symposium (ICRS). This report synthesizes some of the best scientific and management information presented at ICRS and is intended for use by those in positions to conserve, protect, and rehabilitate coral reefs — policy-makers, managers and the public-at-large. We must now utilize this information in conjunction with a precautionary approach to management. We must also develop policy and management actions that reflect the multiple dimensions of coral reef ecosystems — human, biological and ecological.



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