



REGIONAL STRATEGIC WORKSHOP
**Building Resilience and Addressing Risk
 in the Mesoamerican Reef (MAR)**

AGENDA

SCHEDULE

- **From 8:00 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.** Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Mexico City.
- **From 9:00 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.** Panama, Quintana Roo, Washington, and New York
- **From 2:00 p. m. to 6:30 p. m.** London
- **From 3:00 p. m. to 7:30 p. m. CET**

DAY 1: NOVEMBER 23RD

8:00 am	Opening remarks and introduction of Head Table. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
8:10 am	Welcome Speech <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carlos Vigil – Chairman of the Board MAR Fund • Mario Rojas – Chairperson pro tempore and Minister of Environment and Natural Resources of Guatemala
8:20 am	Program of the day, workshop objectives and methodology of the workshop (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
8:30 am	Introduction to projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAR2R/CCAD Project by Mario Escobedo, Project Director MAR2R/CCAD 5 minutes • MAR Fund Rescue Reef Initiative (RRI) by Claudia Ruiz, RRI Coordinator 5 minutes.
8:45 am	Thematic presentations: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Economic valuation of the Mesoamerican Reef and the ecosystem services it provides to strengthen its resilience to risk. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic: Summary of results of economic valuation assessment of the MAR and the ecosystem services it provides- 15 minutes. Speaker: Itziar Ruiz (Metroeconomica). 2. Financial sustainability for the recovery and resilience of the Mesoamerican Reef. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic: Innovative financial mechanisms to manage resilience and risk in reef systems. - 15 minutes. Speakers: Simon Young (Willis Towers Watson) - English
9:20 am	Discussion forum (proceed to breakout rooms) - 20 minutes
9:45–10:00	Break



10:00 am	Plenary discussion – Group summaries. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
10:30 am	Thematic presentations 1. Policy instruments and strategies to building resilience and addressing risk in the Mesoamerican Reef. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic: Synergies and coordination with other projects, strategies, plans, and regional initiatives of the CCAD related to coastal marine resilience, within the Framework of the Regional Strategy for Blue Growth (ERCA, for its initials in Spanish). - 15 minutes. Speaker: Carlos Rodríguez. • Topic: Strategies and policy instruments aimed at addressing risk and building resilience in the Mesoamerican Reef - 15 minutes. Speaker: José Funes. • Topic: Governance and local participation in reef resilience and risks. - 15 minutes. Speaker: Juan Carlos Huitrón. • Topic: My experience as a brigade member, the importance of attending the reef after an impact - 10 minutes. Speaker: María del Carmen García (CONANP).
11:30 am	Discussion forum (proceed to breakout rooms) - 20 minutes
11:55 am	Discussion plenary – Group summaries. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
12:15 pm	Conclusions and points of agreement to consolidate synergies and coordination. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
12:30 pm	End of session.



DAY 2: NOVEMBER 24TH

8:00 am	Opening session and arrival of participants (moderator)
8:10 am	Program of the day and methodology of the workshop. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
8:20 am	<p>Thematic presentations</p> <p>1. Existing regional tools for the exchange and management of information and data and its contribution towards building resilience and addressing risk in the MAR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic: Regional Environmental Observatory (OAR, for its initials in Spanish) - 15 minutes. Speaker: Mario Escobedo (MAR2R Project). • Topic: TDA-SAP MAR2R - 15 minutes Speaker: Julieta Castillo (Ecosistemas). • Topic: SICA-SAT Initiative, satellite monitoring of natural resources from space - 15 minutes Speaker: Jorge Cabrera (Central America Integration System or SICA, for its initials). • Topic: Improving our understanding of reef resilience and risks through the exchange of information: Progress of the collaboration between HRI and AGRRA - 15 minutes. Speaker: Ana Giró (Healthy Reefs for Healthy People or HRI).
9:25 am	Discussion forum (proceed to breakout rooms). - 20 minutes
9:45–10:00	Break
10:00 am	Discussion plenary – Group summaries. (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
10:30 am	Regional strategic presentation by Mr. Alfredo Flores. Executive Secretary of the Council of Central American Treasury or Finance Ministers (COSEFIN, for its initials in Spanish).
11:00 am	Plenary session (Facilitator: Carlos Rodríguez)
11:30–12:00	Conclusions and points of agreement (Carlos Rodríguez)
12:00 pm	Closing remarks by Mr. Eversson Ordóñez, Director de Cuencas, MARN Guatemala.



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