



JOB DESCRIPTION

Position:	Project Coordinator (Coral Reef Rescue Initiative)
Division:	Solomon Islands Program
Reports to:	Solomon Islands Country Director
Location:	Solomon Islands (based in Honiara)

The Project Coordinator will serve as the national focal point to coordinate implementation of the Coral Reef Rescue Initiative Global Environment Facility (CRRI GEF) project in Solomon Islands. The CRRI is a global multistakeholder partnership aimed at protecting the health of coral reef ecosystems in the face of climate threats. The overall project objective is to “strengthen capacity and solutions that ensure the long-term survival of climate refuge coral reef ecosystems, thereby conserving their biodiversity and supporting the blue economies and communities dependent on them.” The Project Coordinator will work with the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology (MECDM) and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) to establish a national multisectoral stakeholder hub to enable the collaborative design and implementation of national and subnational action plans for the conservation of refuge reefs. S/he will also support investigations into options for sustainable livelihood projects and potential investments that support coral reef resilience.

Key Areas of Responsibility

CRRI GEF Project

- Coordinate with MECDM, WWF Solomon Islands, national hub members and the University of Queensland (Project Executor) to develop, implement and monitor annual workplans.
- Design and procure consultancy contracts to execute key project deliverables (e.g., mapping the interaction of indigenous governance systems with coral reef management; cost-benefit analysis for resilient reef management).
- Facilitate multisector stakeholder workshops to generate country-specific ideas for best practice approaches to operationalize resilient reef management, fit to the Solomon Islands context.
- Collate and assemble inputs from stakeholders into summary technical reports and reports for donors.
- Coordinate with the Fiji-based Marine Technical Advisor and the Director of WCS Global Coral Reef Conservation to ensure that best practice science and monitoring to inform resilient reef management is incorporated into national and subnational planning.
- Ensure best practice for gender equity and social inclusion are considered throughout activity implementation.
- Provide input into the CRRI GEF project communications strategy.
- Participate in CRRI GEF project meetings, virtual and in-person.

WCS Solomon Islands Operations

- Participate in the development and implementation of WCS Solomon Islands Country Program strategy.
- Represent WCS Solomon Islands interests at local, provincial and national levels.
- Participate in regular WCS Solomon Islands staff meetings.

As well any and all other work assignments, duties, and/or functions as WCS or its management may designate or instruct in the course of its operation, which may include assignments, duties, and/or functions that vary from the above.

Position Requirements

- Bachelors' degree in environmental sciences, natural resource management, ocean sciences or the equivalent and minimum of 3 years' experience implementing conservation and natural resource management projects in Solomon Islands.
- Excellent organizational skills, including experience in developing, implementing and monitoring project workplans and logframes.
- Proven ability to develop and maintain strong working relationships with government and development partners.
- Knowledge of enabling conditions required to support and finance resilient coral reef management preferred.
- Competencies in English, Solomon Islands pijin and local languages preferred.
- Ability to perform well independently and with teams.
- Strong interpersonal skills, an ability to work well with a wide variety of people in a team setting.
- Willingness and ability to travel to field sites and also international travel if needed.