



BRIDGES

RESEARCH PROGRAM
FISHERIES AND BIODIVERSITY
IN THE WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN

SCIENTIFIC KICK-OFF MEETING AGENDA

25-26 September 2024

Le Récif Hotel
L'Hermitage les Bains
Reunion Island



Wednesday, September 25

Le Récif hotel - L'Hermitage les Bains



8:00am



Welcome coffee

8:30am



BRIDGES Presentation - Plenary session

BRIDGES Research Program general presentation
BRIDGES Research Projects specific presentations
Questions & answers

11:00am



Coffee break

11:30am



Presentation and discussion session Scientific programs

Adèle DE TOMA - Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)
Shauna MAHAJAN - World Wildlife Fund (WWF)
Joshua RAMBAHINIARISON - Coastal Oceans Research and Development in the Indian Ocean (CORDIO)

1:00pm



Lunch

2:30pm



Presentation and discussion session Networks and synergies

Thomas SBERNA - International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
Arthur TUDA - Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA)
Karine POTHIN - Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Areas Management Network (WIOMPAN)
Sevahnee PYNEEANDY - Varuna_MPA - Project Réserves naturelles de France

4:00pm



Coffee break

4:30pm



Presentation and discussion session Capacity sharing

Eliott SUCRE, François GUILHAUMON, Joachim CLAUDET - BRIDGES

5:30pm

7:00pm



Cocktail at Le Récif Hotel

8:30pm

Thursday, September 26

Le Récif hotel - L'Hermitage les Bains



8:30am



Welcome coffee

9:00am



Presentation and discussion session

South-western Indian Ocean MPAs' specific challenges

Tévamie RUNGASSAMY, Anne-Laure CLÉMENT - Reunion Island Nature Marine Reserve

Céline MAURER - Mayotte Natural Marine Park

Miguel GONÇALVES (online) - Maputo National Park

Chekidine SAID - Mohéli National Park

Fouad ABDOU RABI - Comoros National Parks Agency

Franck LUSTENBERGER, Sophie MARINESQUE - French Southern Lands

Discussion on the inclusion of a potential site

11:20am



Coffee break

11:40am



Presentation and discussion session

Opportunities for regional cooperation

Céline MAURER - French Biodiversity Agency (OFB)

Thomas SBERNA - IUCN

Patricia AUBRAS - Agence Française de Développement Group (AFD)

Arthur TUDA - WIOMSA

Thaïs ABOUT - Reunion Island's Regional Council

1:00pm



Lunch

2:30pm



Field trip to discover the Reunion Island Nature Marine Reserve

4:30pm



Tévamie RUNGASSAMY, Anne-Laure CLÉMENT, Bruce CAUVIN - Reunion Island Nature Marine Reserve

Practical information



WHERE

Le Récif hotel

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