12th International Coral Reef Symposium
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Scientific Program
• 1,000 orals
• 600 posters
• 9 plenary
• Darwin medal
• 38 trade booths

Field Trips
• Orpheus Island
• Lizard Island
• One Tree Island
• Heron Island
Plenary Speakers

• Denis Allemand, Centre Scientifique de Monaco, Monaco
• Ove Hoegh-Guldberg, University of Queensland, Australia
• Jamaluddin Jompa, Hasanuddin University, Indonesia
• Geoff Jones, James Cook University, Australia
• Peter Kareiva, The Nature Conservancy, USA
• Jane Lubchenco, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, USA
• Helene Marsh, James Cook University, Australia
• Madeleine van Oppen, Australian Institute of Marine Science, Australia
Welcome & Invitation

As Vice-Chancellor and President of James Cook University (JCU), I am delighted to invite participants to the 12th International Coral Reef Symposium (ICRS 2012).

With its location on the doorstep of the Great Barrier Reef and in close proximity to the Coral Triangle region, JCU has long been committed to research and teaching excellence in coral reef studies. This intent aligns very closely with the themes of the ICRS and we are looking forward to the Symposium advancing understanding of the serious challenges that coral reef ecosystems are currently facing.

James Cook University is proud to host the next ICRS in partnership with our colleagues in Townsville, around Australia and beyond, and we look forward to welcoming participants to Cairns in July 2012.

The ARC Centre of Excellence for Coral Reef Studies looks forward to hosting your visit to Cairns, Australia for the 12th International Coral Reef Symposium (ICRS).

The five day program will showcase the latest coral reef science in over 1500 talks and posters, as well as offering short and long field trips to the Great Barrier Reef, a trade exhibition, and providing exciting social events. The meeting comes at a critical time for the world’s coral reefs and the people who depend on them, and we especially encourage the important role of the 12th ICRS in promoting dialogue between coral reef researchers, reef managers and policy makers.

You will have a magnificent stay in Cairns, a cosmopolitan tropical city and a premier destination for visiting the spectacular Great Barrier Reef and Australia’s tropical rainforests.
Key Dates

- Grant Applications Close: 1 December 2011
- Oral & poster presenters confirmed: 16 December 2011
- Early Bird Registration Closes: 1 March 2012
- Photographic Competition Closes: 31 March 2012
Sponsors include:

- NOAA
- Packard Foundation
- Khaled bin Sultan Living Oceans Foundation
- NCRI
- Australian Institute of Marine Science
- King Abdullah University for Science and Technology
- Queensland Government
- The Nature Conservancy
- Cairns Regional Council
- Australian Coral Reef Society
- Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
- The Rufford Small Grants Foundation
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