

Conserving Asia-Pacific

**The Current and Potential Future Role
of Private Marine Conservation
Agreements**

Geographic Scope



Parties to the Agreements

- **Phoenix Islands, Kiribati: Government of Kiribati, NGOs**
- **Chumbe, Tanzania: Government, private company**
- **Philippines: Government, organized communities, private companies**
- **Fiji: Local communities, private companies**
- **Misool, Indonesia: Local community, private company, local government**
- **Alyui Bay, Indonesia: Local community, private company, local and national governments**

Forms of Agreements

- **Phoenix Islands, Kiribati: Government-level compensation agreement**
- **Chumbe, Tanzania: Government land lease and management agreements for marine park and forestry reserve**
- **Philippines: Government contracts, permits and leases**
- **Fiji: Community-company contract for commercial purposes**
- **Misool, Indonesia: Community-company land/water lease agreement for commercial and conservation purposes**
- **Alyui Bay, Indonesia: Community-company lease agreement for commercial purposes (ratified by local government), sea concession agreement with national government**

Types of Protection Afforded

- **Phoenix Islands, Kiribati: No-take zone and other marine zones**
- **Chumbe, Tanzania: No-take zone (marine and terrestrial) – only education and low impact ecotourism allowed (max 14 pax)**
- **Philippines: Sustainable management and development of mangroves**
- **Fiji: Regulation of bioprospecting, artificial live rock harvesting and SCUBA diving.**
- **Misool, Indonesia: No-take zone and reef-safe anchoring (all fishing, shark finning, harvesting of turtle eggs and shellfish are strictly prohibited)**
- **Alyui Bay, Indonesia: Coral reef protection (cessation of bomb and poison fishing)**

Types of Resources Protected

- **Phoenix Islands, Kiribati: Atoll and oceanic species (including tuna), habitats and ecosystems**
- **Chumbe, Tanzania: Coral reefs, intertidal area (seagrass), mangrove, coral rag forest**

- **Philippines: Mangroves**
- **Fiji: Nearshore habitats (incl. coral reefs, seagrass beds and mangroves)**
- **Misool, Indonesia: 200 sq km of nearshore habitats (coral reefs and open water)**
- **Alyui Bay, Indonesia: Coral reefs**

Reflect on

- **Opportunities** for replication
- **Enabling conditions** allowing for success
- **Scale** of application & potential application
- Strategies that are **complementary**
- Key insights & **lessons learned**
- **Recommendations** for improvement
- **Similarities & differences** among case studies to inform future action

Session Agenda

- 1: Reverse Fishing in the Phoenix Islands – Peter Shelley (CLF)
 - 2: Private Tools for Mangrove Conservation in the Philippines – Dick Melana (DENR) **CANCELLED**
Chumbe Island Coral Park: Helping Save the Coral Reefs of Tanzania – Sibylle Riedmiller
 - 3: Bioprospecting & Live Rock Harvesting for Coral Conservation in Fiji – Bill Aalbersberg (USP)
 - 4: Conserving in Papua, Indonesia through Ecotourism – Shawn Heinrichs (MER)
- Break
- 5: Aquaculture's Conservation Lessons in Papua, Indonesia – Joseph Taylor (PT Cendana Indopearls, Atlas South Sea Pearl)
- Getting There from Here: Group Discussion