

# THE "EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCES" PROGRAMME ON COASTAL ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT

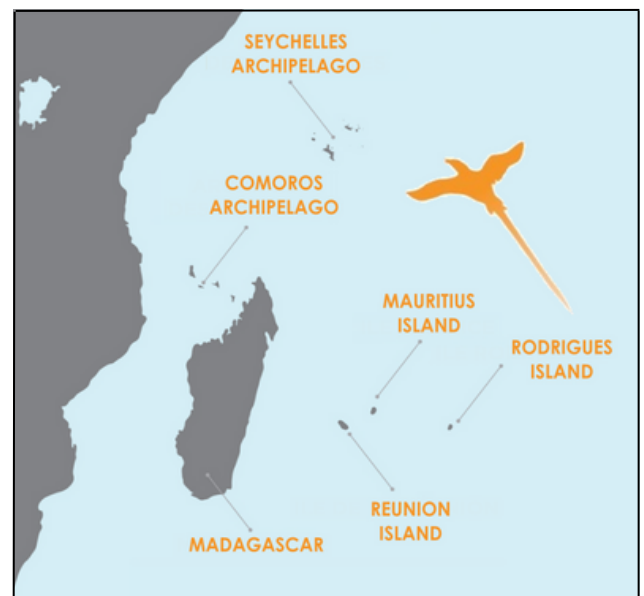
## RECOS PROJECT

As part of the RECOS project, the "exchange of experiences" programme contribute toward capacity building for IOC countries stakeholders working in the field of coastal and marine zone management. The programme allows eligible stakeholders to benefit from the experience of a peer in the region through funded fieldwork sessions.



### / KEY FEATURES OF THE PROGRAMME /

- Exchanges are carried out at the request of stakeholders and implemented on **a voluntary and partnership basis**. Only beneficiary travel costs will be covered (plane tickets, accommodation, car/boat/motorcycle rental, fuel...). The programme will not fund salaries or other remuneration for the applicant or expert
- **A personalised support** is provided by the project team to facilitate the connection between stakeholders at all stages of the processus, from the initial contact to the course of the activities
- **Applications is processed as they arise throughout the duration of the project**. The applicant may receive one funding per year



## Who are the eligible?

- **IOC members countries and beneficiaries states of RECOS project** (Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius and Seychelles)
- **Any stakeholder involved in the management of coastal zones** (community association, cooperative, individual actor, NGO, public authority...)
- The applicant will have to indicate that the desired exchange is relevant to **RECOS eligible themes**, as well as the logistics (duration, theme of expertise, budget, number of people to travel ...)

## RECOS project

The overall objective of the project is to **increase the resilience of coastal populations in the IOC region** to the effects of climate change by restoring coastal ecosystem services. The gains are not only ecological; they are economic, food, health, societal and cultural.

### PARTNER COUNTRIES

Union of Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius and Seychelles will directly benefit from the project



Close collaboration with France-Réunion



### PROJECT DURATION

NOV 2021  
NOV 2026



## What are the eligible themes?



### Marine protected area management

- Ecological and/or socio-economic monitoring methods, sustainable fishing practices, monitoring techniques, tool sharing, impact assessments, internal capacity building, income generating activities...



### Essentials coastal ecosystems

- Mangroves, sea grass, coral reef



### Land sea integration


- Implementation of local ICZM approaches/action plans/tools or coastal territory planning, sharing of erosion reduction and coastal restoration solutions, GIS techniques, coastline monitoring techniques...




### Coastal and marine environmental educational programmes

- Implementation of educational programmes in the coastal zone, development/dissemination of educational materials...

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## APPLY !

The programme is open for the duration of the RECOS project, until **May 2026**