

Management Response: Implementation Plan for Evaluation Recommendations

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Implementation Plan

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1	A number of Partners during the consultations indicated that they were not aware of what the depth and breath of the Partnership was, how they fitted into the bigger picture of what it was seeking to achieve and what the Partnership was achieving. All indicated that the lack of branding, while a conscious decision, meant that there was no recognition with respect to	In relation to nurturing partner relationships under follow-up projects to keep the Partnership strong and effective, the UN Coral Reef Unit needs to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure a clear mandate and regularly communicate this to partners so they can understand what it is seeking to achieve, how they can engage and how UNEP can engage with them; • Given the conscious 	Opportunity for improvement	Project	Coral Reef Unit	Immediately and then ongoing for follow on projects	Partially Accepted	This recommendation is partially accepted because the Coral Reef Partnership is not continuing in the form that it existed during the duration of the Project. Activities related to coral reefs have been	Partners collaborating on coral reef related activities will be informed of the Project Structure of 316.1, and how the activities relate to the Project Document

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	Partnership outputs and achievements. In some cases, some Partners (Regional Seas) did not even know they were a part of the Partnership project.	<p>decision to not brand the Partnership, ensure partners are clear under which framework they are operating, for example knowing if their project is a part of this GCRP. This helps partners to understand where they fit in and why activities are being undertaken and helps avoid duplication of effort; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake a mapping exercise to show to partners where the partnership fits in and how it works with other collaborations, organisations, projects and mechanisms so as to assist partners in understanding the value of the Partnership and why they should invest in it. 						<p>absorbed by the follow-on umbrella project 316.1 on Sustainable Management of Marine and Coastal Ecosystem Services. UNEP will continue to implement activities related to coral reefs in partnership with selected organizations and will focus on delivering on UNEA Resolution 4/13 in partnership with the International Coral Reef Initiative - however the Global Coral Reef Partnership will not continue as a distinct partnership with that name. However, partners will be informed that the activities in partnership with UNEP fall under Project 316.1.</p>	