

#ForCoral Pavilion

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Event Title: *Panel discussion and screening of the documentary "Saving Atlantis" with a traditional music concert*

Date and Time of event: October 22nd, 15:00 – 17:00

Lead organisation: Dirección de Asuntos Marinos, Costeros y Recursos Acuáticos (DAMCRA), Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible de Colombia

Co-organisation(s): The Pennsylvania State University, Oregon State University

of participants:

- In person: 40 approximately
- Online:

Topics (please select as many as applicable):

- Finance
- Conservation
- Restoration
- Youth
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- 30x30
- Other (please specify): Local communities

Background on the event (one paragraph):

The event focused on coral reef conservation through a screening of *Saving Atlantis*, followed by a panel discussion and a traditional champeta music performance. The documentary and subsequent discussion engaged scientists, advocates, and community leaders in exploring conservation, research, and community involvement strategies. The event concluded with a traditional champeta music performance by local artist Jalimer Caraballo, merging cultural expression with environmental advocacy, showcasing the synergy of science, culture, and community in promoting coral reef resilience.

Key issues discussed (5-8 bullet points):

- Coral reef degradation
- Community involvement and local rights
- Scientific research and innovation
- Global and local collaboration
- Art and culture as advocacy tools

If available, key recommendations for action (5-6 bullet points):

- Strengthen community-centered conservation.
- Promote interdisciplinary and international collaboration.
- Advance scientific research and technological innovation.
- Increase public awareness and advocacy through cultural channels.
- Mobilize funding and political will.

Take home message(s) (5-6 bullet points):

- Immediate, concerted action is essential to prevent further degradation and enhance coral reefs resilience.
- Protecting coral reefs requires aligning scientific approaches with the knowledge, needs, and rights of local communities.
- Incorporating cultural initiatives, like music and film, into conservation efforts can deepen understanding and commitment to environmental protection.
- Global and local partnerships across scientific, governmental, and community sectors bring unique strengths to address complex conservation challenges.
- Investing in science and innovation is crucial for developing effective, evidence-based conservation strategies.

How will the outcomes of the event contribute to the vision and mission of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework:

The event supports the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework by advancing coral reef conservation through scientific research, community empowerment, and collaboration. Its focus on urgent, inclusive actions aligns with the Framework's goals to halt biodiversity loss and enhance ecosystem resilience. By engaging local communities and integrating cultural elements, the event reinforces the Framework's vision of shared global responsibility for biodiversity, resonating with COP16's theme of "peace with nature" and the broader goal of living in harmony with nature by 2050.

Which Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework Targets did your event cover:

Target 1: Integrate biodiversity into spatial planning.

Target 2: Restore 30% of degraded ecosystems by 2030.

Target 3: Conserve 30% of land, freshwater, and marine areas by 2030.

Target 19: Mobilize financial resources for biodiversity initiatives.

Target 21: Enhance awareness, education, and communication on biodiversity.

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