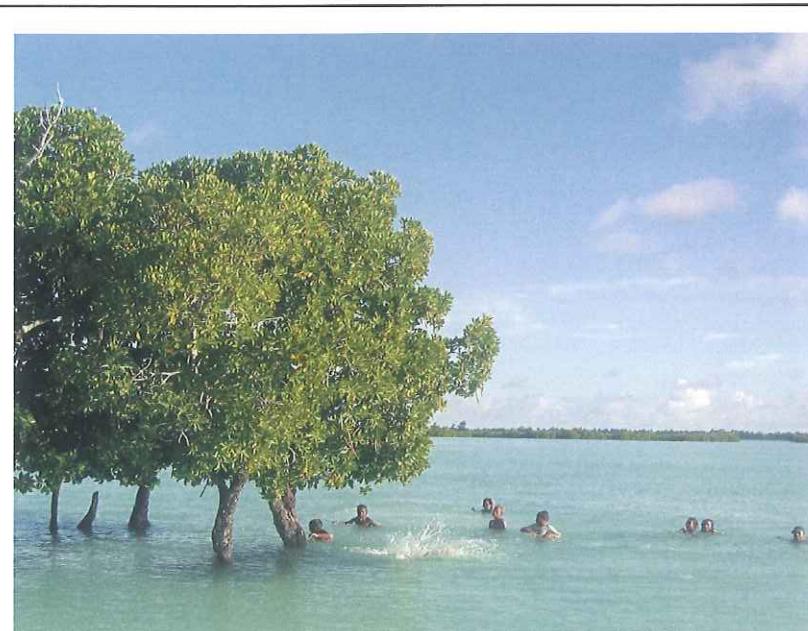




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ISME is an international non-governmental, non-profit organization. It is a follow up of the UNESCO/UNDP Regional Mangrove Projects in Asia and the Pacific. The need to establish an international society arose from the research, training activities and studies commissioned by the UNDP/UNESCO Projects on the nature and management of mangrove ecosystems. Among other items, the Statutes of ISME say that "the Society shall collect, evaluate and disseminate information on mangrove ecosystems; and "Promote international cooperation." URL: <http://www.glomis.com>, <http://www.mangrove.or.jp/mangrove/>

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## **Mangrove Action Plan**

The Mangrove Action Plan (MAP) is a five-year action plan for the sustainable management of mangroves. It was developed by the International Society for Mangrove Ecosystems (ISME) in collaboration with the East Asian Biosphere Reserve Network (EABRN), the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the International Association of Biological Oceanography (IABO), the International Council of Scientific Unions (ICUN), the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the International Tropical Timber Council (ITTC), the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO), the International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Non-governmental organizations (NGO), and the Southeast Asia Biosphere Reserve Network (SeaBRnet). The MAP is intended to provide a framework for the sustainable management of mangroves in East Asia and the Pacific region. The MAP will be implemented through a series of actions, including the development of guidelines for the sustainable management of mangroves, the promotion of research and education, the development of policies and programs, and the implementation of projects. The MAP will also include a monitoring and evaluation component to ensure that the actions are effective and sustainable.

## **Acronyms**

EABRN	East Asian Biosphere Reserve Network
ECOSOC	United Nations Economic and Social Council
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
GLOMIS	Global Mangrove Database and Information System
IABO	International Association of Biological Oceanography
ICUN	International Council of Scientific Unions
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
ISME	International Society for Mangrove Ecosystems
ITTC	International Tropical Timber Council
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IUBS	International Union of Biological Sciences
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
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SeaBRnet	Southeast Asia Biosphere Reserve Network