

## **Final evaluation of IUCN project Plastic Waste Free Islands**



Project identification data			
<b>Project title:</b>	Plastic Waste Free Islands (PWFI)		
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Management Response Summary Data	
<b>Evaluation or review title as it appears on final report:</b> Final evaluation of IUCN Plastic Waste Free Islands (PWFI) <b>Date received:</b> 25 April 2023	<b>Unit/person responsible for managing/tracking follow-up:</b> Ocean Team and Monitoring Evaluation and Learning Unit
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<b>Expected duration required to fully implement the MR:</b> 2 years	

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#### Background

The Plastic Waste Free Islands (PWFI) final evaluation was commissioned by IUCN, and it fulfils its Monitoring and Evaluation Policy to conduct an independent Final Evaluation for the purpose of assessing the results of the intervention. It is expected that the findings and recommendations of this final evaluation will help to inform future decisions such as whether to pursue additional interventions, to scale up existing





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<p>closely solutions for capacitating local authorities to gradually decrease their dependency on external technical assistance for the implementation of national waste monitoring and management systems.</p>	<p>over those responsibilities and build that long term technical expertise.</p> <p>In countries with small populations local authorities often turn over frequently. They get jobs elsewhere, migrate, or move positions within government. This lack of stability means that external expertise is often the best solution.</p>	<p>stated above we also have a high risk of shifts in government staff which directly impacts knowledge transfer between governments and eventually affects sustainability. Engagement and activities that involve capacity building in government staff can be planned for early project implementation stages to partially mitigate the above. (2024-2025)</p>	<p>are programmes that can be used to onboard newly appointed staff in the project design</p>				
<p><b>Recommendation 8:</b> IUCN should include in the ToR for plastic waste studies and audits the requirement of complete technical methodological reports, made available in open source together with the resulting data.</p>	<p><b>Accepted.</b></p>	<p>Develop a technical comparison of assessment methods publicly available to be shared with countries.</p>	<p>Future Tor will reflect such actions.</p>	<p>Ocean Team</p>			

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stakeholder participation in key project meetings/workshops. (2023-2026)

A communications strategy for the project will also be developed and implemented