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The IUCN Coral Specialist Group brings together leading scientists, practitioners and conservationists under the Species Survival Commission of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature. Reflecting the vast diversity of coral reefs, their importance to people in so many ways and the imminent threat to their very existence from climate change and human uses, the Group has a broad ecosystem and conservation focus. Our combined knowledge contributes to inform society and policy makers to take science-based action.

Update the Red List of Threatened reef-building corals and the Coral Red List Index. This, in order to contribute to policy and decision-making processes that culminate in 2021 with major global events relevant to coral reefs, oceans and climate, and to align the actions of diverse coral reef stakeholders around the world.

Complete assessment of Red List status of reef-building corals.
Status: On track

Identify regional conservation priorities for Scleractinia corals and build a blueprint to improve their status.
Status: On track

Update global policy with the extinction status of reef-building corals.
Status: On track

Promote the production of biodiversity data at the species level for reef-building corals, by facilitating the adoption of new technologies among the Group's members.
Status: Not initiated

Recruit at least 10 new members by 2022.
Status: Achieved

Increase availability and mobilisation of biodiversity data on reef-building corals by promoting and fostering the use of open data information systems for coral reefs.
Status: Not initiated

Train new group members as Red List assessors within early 2021.
Status: Achieved

Organise three public/international presentations to communicate the

Number of species conservation plans/
strategies developed: 0

