

GIBS CO-SPONSORS

1. ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE (Raleigh, North Carolina Office)
Contact person: Dr. Douglas Rader, Principal Scientist.
“North Carolina Coast: **You** and **your** Ecosystems” Symposium, Nov. 30 – Dec. 1, 2006 at Marriott Hotel, Carolina Beach, North Carolina.
2. HARVARD UNIVERSITY (Cambridge, Massachusetts)
Contact Person: Prof. Edward O. Wilson, Agassiz Museum (MCZ).
“Harvard Declaration Conference for the ‘**Creation**’ of Interagency Working Group for Deep-Sea corals and associated ecosystems” (IWG-DSC), October 24-25, 2006.
3. NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA):
Contact Person: Dr. William Hogarth, Assistant Secretary for Fisheries.
“3rd International Deep-Sea Coral Symposium, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Miami, Nov. 28 – Dec. 2, 2005.
Funding of the publication of the symposium proceedings in the *Bulletin of Marine Sciences*, November 2007 Number.
4. MINERAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES (MMS), Department of Interior:
Contact Person: Dr. Thomas Ahlfeld, Program Director, MMS Environmental Division, Herndon, Virginia.
Funded the planning process of the 2005 3rd International deep-sea coral symposium in Miami and also funded the publication of the ‘Executive Summary of the Miami deep-sea coral symposium (Jan. 2007 – July 2007).
5. UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS):
Contact Person: Dr. Gary Brewer, Program Director, USGS.
Funded GIBS to bring participants to Miami 2005 deep-sea coral symposium from developing nations (India, Brazil, Columbia and Chile), Russia and keynote speakers from Australia and Germany.
6. MARINE CONSERVATION BIOLOGY INSTITUTE (MCBI):
Contact person: Dr. Lance Morgan, Chief Scientist, MCBI.
American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Symposium in 2004 Seattle Annual Meeting -“Cold Coral Reefs of North American Continent”