

# Vatu-i-Ra Seascape

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## Fund

US\$55,990

## Donors

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

## Leading Organisation

Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)

## Partners

Institute of Applied Sciences, SeaWeb International, Fiji Department of Fisheries, and Fiji Department of Environment

## Project Overview

The grant is to support “Expanding and strengthening effectiveness of coastal fisheries management and biodiversity conservation in the Vatu-i-Ra Seascape”.

The grant started on 21st January 2014 and ends on 30th September 2016.

## Project Objectives

- Spread and strengthen local level management
- Facilitate the development of provincial level integrated coastal management plans

## Project Outputs

- Strengthen implementation of ecosystem-based management (EBM) initiatives at the district level
- Develop island-scale EBM plans in strategic locations of the Vatu-i-Ra Seascape
- Develop draft zoning schemes, inclusive of integrated land-sea planning
- Facilitate increased support by the Fisheries Department for LMMAs within Vatu-i-Ra Seascape
- Conducted Fisheries Post Disaster Survey in Ra (Tropical Cyclone Winston)