

*Fi Titi = baby fish in mahorian

EDITO :

How to act concretely for the environment and by where to start? The ecological challenges are immense... To want to act on the causes of such or such upheavals is an incommensurable challenge: it would be necessary to succeed in controlling to it (demographic sur)pression, fighting against the reheating of the climate, limiting chemical pollution invisible etc. However, of the result of these fights - we all included/understood it the well survival of the Man depends on it! Let us take for example, the reduction of, prone abundantly mentioned in the media because of recent International Conférence of UNESCO on. With minima the erosion of the limit our chances of survival. And by paraphrasing Ian McMillan (American naturalist): "we should save the fauna of the coral reefs, not so much because we need it, but because we need human qualities to save it; those there even which will be useful for us to save us ourselves ". But we are not the "integrist ones" of the environment: to contribute to its protection YES, while also allowing the local economic development. In other words, to make a success of a "durable development". With our dimension, MOANA Initiative would like to add its contribution modestly (or cutting!) at the building (of the reefs!). We contribute to it by developing the access to a new marine resource without impacting the environment: the ichthyoplanton. To put in perspective the man in nature will be done by developing firm-schools of fishing and alternative aquaculture, it is project C-FARM. The objective of this project is to inform the consciences and to improve at the same time, of reef fish and the resource for the local populations.

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BLUE = C-FARM and tsunamis :

You know it, the tsunami from December 26 at catastrophic summer for considerable populations of fishermen in Asia; MOANA Initiative wishes to come to assistance of the touched littoral populations: contacts were made with Indonesians communities, in collaboration with of ONG on the ground, in order to propose firm-schools. The fishermen had all the difficulties in sell, after the tragedy, their carnivorous fish; however one could deepen the axis of the local aquaculture of herbivores (Siganidae, Acanthuridae, Kyphosidae) which are in addition more "economic" for the environment (one needs several kilograms of herbivores to produce 1 kg of predatory fish). The Philippines, "protected" by the arc Indonesian did not suffer from the dramatic natural episode. But Foundation VIRLANIE in the Philippines, notes that the gifts for the countries victims of the tsunami "dried up" those for the Philippines. Let us recall how one typhoon and landslides last November to the Philippines - consequences of decades of illegal deforestation made thousands of deaths! Concerning project C-FARM in Mindoro, we hope for a financial looping at the end of March. Fi Titi number 4 will detail the subject.

GREEN = a model to be followed

In connection with forest, let us greet the Model of Wangari Maathai, Nobel Prize of peace for its fight against deforestation in Africa. Its movement "girdles green" employs 130.000 women to plant trees. Its creed: "peace on ground depends on our capacity to protect our alive environment".

WHITE = Conferences and Expositions :

Moana animated, last 14 February, one of the conferences of the day "Management of watery and conservation of the species - Which role for the aquarium public and the aquaculture" with the IUT of NANCY. It was question, of course, of the methods of management and durable exploitation of the fish populations of the coral reefs and lagunaires; a debate enters impassioned concerning the stakes which finished... at midnight. Thanks to the contributions of its members, MOANA Initiative takes part in living rooms to make known its projects of firm-school starting from the collection of plankton in order to collect financing important coming from the patrons. MOANA Initiative will be present at CIRCOP (cycle of conferences on the Corallien reef) April the 2, and 3 2005 in Paris (Parc de la Villette); this second Festival of the Underwater Life, dedicated to the Plungers, to the Marine Aquarists, and generally to in love with the sea, draft of underwater fauna and its protection, it was conceived to bring knowledge and pleasure <http://www.circop.com/> to you

News « recruits » :

We are charmed to count among our new members: - the IUT of Nancy represented by Pascal Fountain - the School of engineers POLYTECH (ex ISIM) of Montpellier, comprising its section sciences of the Water, directed by Michel Desbordes. - association the Œil d'Andromède with Mrs Pierre Descamp and Laurent Ballesta (to advise scientific of Natural Ushuaia and gold 2004 palm, for the 3rd consecutive year, with the world festival of the image under navy). Association counts around fifty of members today, the list is available on request by email.



Angelfish larvae
Photos Laurent Ballesta / Œil Andromède



Scorpionfish larvae

Which flight plan to continue to help and take part in the life of association? Locally? - By diffusing "Fi Titi" at least to three of your colleagues in order to make known our actions. - While giving your voluntary support to us on the stand of Circop to take part in its animation. Broadly? - While discussing this project around you; indeed of many C-Farm projects can flower on other countries of the inter tropical belt thanks to you. - While bringing your contributions and those of your entourage to increase our budget of sensitizing and to allow us to meet a maximum of patrons to finance projects of the type C-FARM. - By informing us of the exit of call to candidature of "grants" (financial assistance) in our field.

Surprising !

For this number we retained this not very banal image, as what it does not have there only the "Fi titi" (post-larvae) who arrive in the waves....

