

## Coral survey Karakter Beach Restaurant

Curaçao, 2022

### Client info:



Name: HG Beheer

Sector: Tourism

Location: Curaçao

HG Beheer (HG Management) is the entity managing the Karakter Beach restaurant located in the Rif St. Marie area



**Rationale:** The Karakter Beach restaurant has suffered beach loss since the 1990's. The restaurant is studying options for beach restoration. However, their explicit wish is to do this in a sustainable manner and to leave the beach as original as possible. EcoVision was asked for advice, with relatively wide guidelines as to whether or not expand, and if so, where to expand.

**Approach:** A coral survey was performed in the wider area of the present beach. Coral cover was assessed, using the GCRMN level 3 transect method. The vulnerable, endangered and legally protected coral species (IUCN Red List, SPAW protocol, Annex II) were inventoried separately. Recommendations were given with respect to the locations where beach extension may be possible, and with respect to type of beach and work methods.

**Outcome:** A report was submitted. The organization is preparing a detailed design based in this advice.