

Protecting the unique habitats and cultures of islands worldwide

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Mission

Seacology protects the threatened habitats of the world's islands by working directly with local communities to both conserve their natural resources and improve their quality of life.

Approach

Seacology provides a **tangible benefit** to a community, such as a new school building or health clinic, in exchange for the community's support in **establishing marine or forest reserves**. Since 1991, Seacology has launched **more than 275 projects** on islands in **dozens of countries** and protected more than 1.3 million acres of some of the world's most vulnerable ecosystems.

Why Islands?

Due to their isolation and unique conditions, islands are hotbeds of biodiversity, home to an array of rare species, many of which live nowhere else in the world. This makes entire species vulnerable to relatively small, localized environmental disruptions. In fact, island species account for roughly 80% of all recorded extinctions in the past 400 years.

History



Leadership

Our small staff is based in Berkeley, California. We have affiliates in England, Germany, Japan, and Norway. Our network of field representatives stretches across the globe. We're led by a passionate Board of Directors and supported by a lineup of prestigious scientists and researchers on our Scientific Advisory Board.

Awards and Recognitions

- Global Vision Award Travel+Leisure Magazine (2006)
- Global Sustainable Tourism Blue Award Islands Magazine (2007)
- Laureate, Prince's Prize for Innovative Philanthropy Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, Tocqueville Foundation (2015)
- Top-Rated Nonprofit

 Greatnonprofits.org (multiple years)

Get Involved

Donate! Gifts can be made at **seacology.org/donate** or by phone or check **Subscribe:** Sign up for our e-newsletter at **seacology.org/news/newsletter** or find us on Facebook or Twitter **Attend the Seacology Prize Ceremony:** Every year, we honor a leader in the field of island conservation at an event in Berkeley, California. The 2016 ceremony will be held on October 6th, and is free and open to the public.

Finances

In 2015 approximately 83% of Seacology's support came from individual donors, with the remainder from foundations, corporations, and Seacology affiliates. In FY2015, 83% of our \$2.09 million total expenditures was allocated to program costs.

