

Project Update: February 2011

In addition to continued capacity development with the Green Fins Philippines Country Team and Dive Centres, Reef-World has held two exciting Green Fins events recently.

Green Fins Korean Dive Shop meeting: Following the success and at the request of some dive centres, Reef-World held another meeting with the dive shops on the 10th February 2011 but specifically for those which are Korean owned or those that cater mainly for Korean Tourists – which makes up about 25% of the dive centres in Puerto Galera. This provided the opportunity for questions, feedback and reviews of the new educational posters that have been translated into Korean.

Beach, Community and Reef Cleanup: On the 2nd February 2011, Reef-World and two new Green Fins dive centres held a cleanup on a nearby beach popular with many tourists. This event was supported by the local government and over 80 volunteers from local businesses, boat transport staff, vendors and children helping to raise awareness of the negative impact litter can have on marine life. The total weight collected over the 4 hours was 340 kg with 194 kg being plastic alone!

