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Executive Summary: 3rd International Deep-Sea Coral Symposium in Miami

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The Minerals Management Service (MMS), Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, announces the availability of a new study report, *Executive Summary: 3rd International Deep-Sea Coral Symposium in Miami*.

This report summarizes and highlights some of the major discoveries and research findings presented during the ‘Third International Deep-Sea Coral Symposium’ held in Miami Florida from November 29 – December 2, 2005. The goals of the symposium were to provide a forum for both informal and formal scientific information exchange and also explore new and innovative concepts for future collaboration amongst the nearly 300 symposium participants from 28 nations.

Complete papers from the Symposium are published in two separate issues. The ‘Miami Deep-Sea Coral Symposium’ proceedings include 18 peer-reviewed papers, published as “Deep-Sea Coral Ecosystems: Biology and Geology”, Vol. 81 No. 3 of the *Bulletin of Marine Sciences*, edited by Robert Y. George and Stephen D. Cairns. Other formal and peer-reviewed scientific information is published as the proceedings as a book (with 23 papers): “Conservation and Adaptive management of Seamount and Deep-Sea Coral ecosystems”, edited by Robert Y. George and Stephen D. Cairns, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, University of Miami.

This report may be downloaded from the MMS website through the [Environmental Studies Program Information System \(ESPIS\)](#). You will be able to obtain this report also from the National Technical Information Service in the near future. Here is the address. You may also inspect copies at selected Federal Depository Libraries.

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