



**WIN A 5-DAY STAY AT OUR 5-STAR IBEROSTAR BAVARO SUITES IN 2019  
BY SUBMITTING IDEAS FOR YOUR OWN INNOVATIVE RESEARCH  
AND / OR OUTREACH IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

**WE** are proud to announce Iberostar's **Wave of Change** movement, bringing programs removing and eliminating single use plastics, supporting sustainable fishing, and promoting coastal health in the tourism sector. **Healthy coral reefs** that maintain high functioning ecosystem services are a critical part of our business and the communities in which we operate. We are investing in resources to facilitate the coral community to expand their research and outreach across the caribbean. **We invite you to join our Wave of Change movement** and submit an idea for a small outreach project or research question that you are interested in developing further in partnership with our team at Iberostar's first marine laboratory in the caribbean. Depending on the scope of the idea, **the awarded 5-day stay may be used for the entirety project or as a preliminary pilot trip.**

**IF** your idea is selected, Iberostar will provide lodging and food for an all-inclusive 5-day stay at our Bavaro Suites in the Dominican Republic, transportation within country, and use of Iberostar's laboratory, nursery, and facility resources. (see other side for the detailed list of available Iberostar resources).

**TO** apply, use the template provided to submit your idea to [coastalhealth@waveofchange.com](mailto:coastalhealth@waveofchange.com) by **January 18<sup>th</sup>** and panel of judges from the coral community will choose **two winning projects.**

**NAME:**  
**ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION:**  
**POSITION TITLE:**

**Title of outreach or research project idea (use as title of email):**  
**Abstract of idea (500 word max):**  
**Requested Iberostar resources (250 word max):** (Review the list of Iberostar resources on other side and include expected resources needed for your project here)  
**Requested project dates:**

## LIST OF AVAILABLE IBEROSTAR LABORATORY, NURSERY, AND FACILITY RESOURCES

- Diving coordination with our partner Dressel Divers (up to 6 dives and 24 tanks during the stay)
- Communication and access to collaboration with FUNDEMAR and Grupo Punta cana
- Thanks to FUNDEMAR, access to 2 coral nurseries with a focus on high biomass of *Acropora cervicornis*
- 6 months of 10-minute interval temperature data for 2 nurseries
- Thanks to FUNDEMAR, preliminary information on success of *A. cervicornis* ramet spawning during the 2018 August event
- Access to Iberostar's first laboratory facility at the Iberostar Bavaro Suites: Seawater flow-through systems in 4 1200L raceways and 8 120L smaller aquaria with sump systems.
- Access to nursery ramets from ~36 genotypes of *Acropora cervicornis* & access to information of their low-coverage whole genomes
- Access to nursery ramets from ~12 colonies of *Acropora palmata*
- Access to nursery ramets from ~15 colonies of *Agaricia agaricites*
- Access to nursery ramets from ~15 colonies of *Diploria labyrinthiformis*
- Access to nursery ramets from ~15 colonies of *Orbicella faveolata*
- Access to nursery ramets from ~15 colonies of *Porites asteroides*
- Access to 2500+ local employees interested to learn more about the importance of coral reefs
- Depending on season, access to outreach for clients from primarily American, Canadian, and German markets
- Capacity to create an activity as part of our Star Camp for children
- Capacity to collaborate with our animation team for shows and guest engagement
- Spanish language translators
- Conference facilities
- Support for media coverage – locally & internationally

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