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Dr Ian Poiner is the Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Institute of Marine Science. Dr Poiner has significant experience in strategic development and planning of science, both as a practicing scientist and at the organisational level. This is reflected in his successful large-scale, multi-disciplinary research projects and his establishment of national and international research programs to support the sustainable use, conservation and management of marine ecosystems. Dr Poiner's scientific background is research into tropical fisheries and ecological systems, including in Australia's northern Great Barrier Reef, Torres Strait and the Gulf of Carpentaria. He has also worked in Jamaica, Papua New Guinea and Southeast Asia. Dr Poiner serves on a number of national and international committees. He is currently Chair of the International Scientific Steering Committee of the Census of Marine Life, a ten year international research program to assess and explain the diversity, distribution and abundance of marine organisms throughout the world's oceans. As CEO of AIMS, he is responsible for managing the day-to-day affairs of the Institute.