

PROJECT

Stone Movement Monitoring
Mata Ngarau, Orongo
Easter Island

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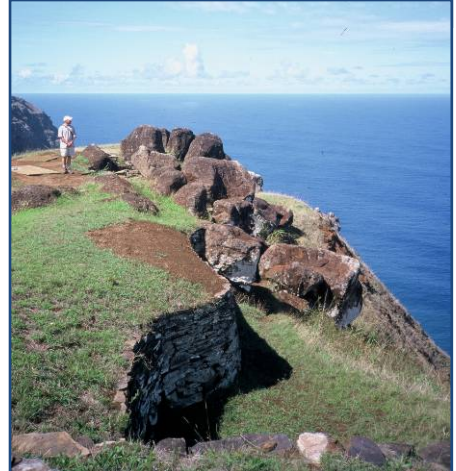
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Mata Ngarau is the sacred ceremonial center of the Birdman cult, built atop a cliff 1000 feet above the ocean at the southern tip of Easter Island. This World Heritage Site was the focus of a mission funded by the World Monuments Fund, with the objective being to survey the site to accurately record positions of boulders covered with petroglyphs. A monitoring system was set up for long-term measurements at the site. The team taught lectures on Easter Island and trained personnel with CONAF (the Chilean national park administration) to take future measurements.

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