



Wadden Sea Forum

WG ICZM, 10th Meeting

Hamburg, 20 April 2010

Final Draft Minutes

1. Opening

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The host of the meeting, Mr. Mattfeld, welcomed the participants of the ICZM meeting at RWE Dea AG as well as the members of the WSF Shipping group at this joint meeting. Additionally, representatives from EUCC Germany and the German Küsten-Kontor participated in the meeting. The meeting was opened by the chair, Mr. Verheij, at 11:00 hours.

A list of participants is in **Annex 1**.

The agenda was adopted without amendments and is in **Annex 2**.

2. Adoption of the minutes WG ICZM-9

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The final draft minutes of the 9th meeting of WG ICZM, Hamburg, 13 January 2010 were **adopted**.

3. Announcements

1.a Albert de Hoop reported about the container shipping business and the threat of lost containers. Two years ago, KIMO has past a resolution about lost containers on sea. The WSF supported the resolution and the resulting recommendations. Also the Sylt Declaration (Trilateral Governmental Conference on Sylt, 17-18 March 2010) took up the issue and requested a better awareness for lost containers.

Mr. de Hoop recently had a meeting in Brussels with the responsible European bodies to discuss further measures to minimize the losses and to retrieve lost containers. A further meeting would be held end of April to work on concrete policies and legislation.

Also OSPAR and HELCOM would take this on board with the long term aim that the UN organization IMO set up necessary restrictions.

1.b Albert de Hoop referred to the Ems training and the deepening between Emden and the outer estuary. With this, a VTS (Vessel Traffic System) would be

installed for the Ems estuary. He requested to work on a VTS for the whole southern North Sea, coordinated and controlled by the national coast guards.

2. Marcus Lange reported about the final conference of the research project coastal futures, held on 4 March 2010 in Hamburg. Coastal Futures deals with questions of a sustainable development, respectively ICZM of the western coast of Schleswig-Holstein. In the individual subprojects the main emphasis of research is on the integrated analysis of the interactions between various types of coastal use as well as the interactions between human activities and the coastal ecosystem. A focus of the conference was on an assessment of off-shore wind farms, due to social, economic and ecological impacts. The results would be published in two reports.

3. Manfred Vollmer briefly informed the meeting about the results of the Trilateral Governmental Conference on Sylt. The work of the Forum was very much welcomed, which was also documented in the Ministerial Declaration. The chair of the WSF highlighted the results during a podium discussion with the ministers. Also the brochure "Without Frontiers" got quite good attention. All parties expressed their wish and support for a continuation of the WSF for the coming period till 2013. This would be underlined by the fact that the Trilateral Cooperation offered the WSF two advisor seats in the new Wadden Sea Board.

4. Herman Verheij stated that he as a representative of the NGOs had a seat in the Board as advisor and that in this capacity he could address topical issues at the level of the Trilateral Cooperation.

4. ICZM and Maritime Spatial Planning

After the completion of a spatial plan for the German EEZ, the Dutch government recently published a spatial plan for their EEZ, the "Policy Document on the North Sea 2009-2015". As a starting point for a discussion about the increasing uses of the southern North Sea, Marius Backhaus from Prognos gave a presentation about the project "Küsten-Kontor", which is an informal approach designed to support the integrated development of the coastal zone. The presentation is in **Annex 3**.

Following, the meeting briefly discussed the role of this project in ICZM implementation and coordination and stated that more emphasis and responsibility is needed to successfully address ICZM principles and goals to the actors and political level.

The increasing uses in the southern North Sea like enormous sand extraction for coastal defence and infrastructure, off-shore energy production, storage of CO₂, ship traffic, etc, needs coordinated planning also across borders to avoid conflicts and to provide sustainable perspectives for the different sectors.

The meeting agreed that the WSF should play a responsible role in pursuing the developments in the coastal zone and EEZs and to deliver advice to the political level, also through the Wadden Sea Board.

5. Data compilation

The WSF aims at a better cooperation with EUCC to jointly work on ICZM and Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) as well as to use available data sets. Holger Janßen from EUCC Germany firstly introduced the organization. The German branch 'EUCC - Die Küsten Union Deutschland e.V.' was established as an association (NGO) in 2002. The main objective is to strengthen German activities

within the field of Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) by bridging the gap between coastal science and practice.

EUCC-D provides relevant information, consults and educates coastal practitioners, hosts workshops and conferences and runs demonstration projects and aims at raising international awareness of German ICZM activities. Contacts to DG Mare and DG Environment in Brussels are stated as good. Mr. Janßen also expressed his wish to intensify the cooperation with the WSF on common tasks.

The meeting discussed in detail the needs of data compilation, maintenance, editing and graphic illustrations of data sets. This all would be the basis to elaborate on assessments of the developments in the Wadden Sea Region and to deliver advice respectively.

EUCC-D offered relevant data of the German EEZ and coastal zone and also the maintenance of a data base at EUCC. Further data from The Netherlands and Denmark had to be acquired. A further step would be a harmonization of data depiction on maps. These maps would be GIS-based to provide data according to different themes and simple usage.

The WSF secretariat in cooperation with Holger Janßen will elaborate a proposal for the development of a data base and a GIS-based map, to compile, maintain and illustrate data about uses, developments and planning in the Wadden Sea Region, which also encompasses the North Sea EEZs of the three countries. The proposal will be presented for further decision at the Steering Committee meeting in October 2010 and WSF-17 meeting in November 2010.

6. Cooperation with regard to ICZM and MSP

Related to the former agenda items, the meeting stated that cooperation with other organizations working in this field is of importance. This would avoid double work and instead, concentrate the power on topical issues. Furthermore, a good collaboration would strengthen information and knowledge exchange as well as the political influence.

Particular with regard to the aim of striving for a CO₂ neutral Wadden Sea Region in 2020, which was politically expressed at the Sylt Conference, a close cooperation would be necessary. Common tasks and action had to be developed in the coming month.

7. Any other business

No other business discussed.

8. Next meeting

It was **agreed** to hold the next meeting WG ICZM-11 on 16 September 2010, probably in Denmark.

9. Closing

Mr. Verheij thanked all participants for their contributions, particularly the invited experts and closed the meeting at 14:30 hours.

Annex 2

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Annex 3





Küsten-Kontor in dialogue with the Wadden Sea Forum

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Concept and implementation of an ICZM dialogue and participatory process

Our project goals

We are successful in...

- bundeling and harmonising activities on the federal, federal states' and individual stakeholders' levels.
- developing in cooperation with the *federal states* and regions a sustainable and consensual organisational model.
- creating and establishing an ICZM national contact point, the Küsten-Kontor.

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UBA research project




What are the requirements/constraints?

The Advisory Council

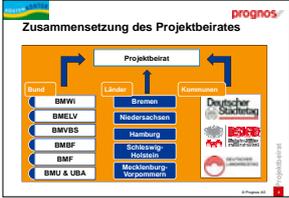
- Advisory Council composed of 15 members organised by Prognos
- continuing exchange since December 2008
- vertical exchange from the international and EU level to several federal ministries and the federal states to regional and community stakeholders and practitioners.

Extensive stakeholder involvement

- information + interaction = a dialogue-oriented process
- extensive, transparent exchange of information

Two areas of focus

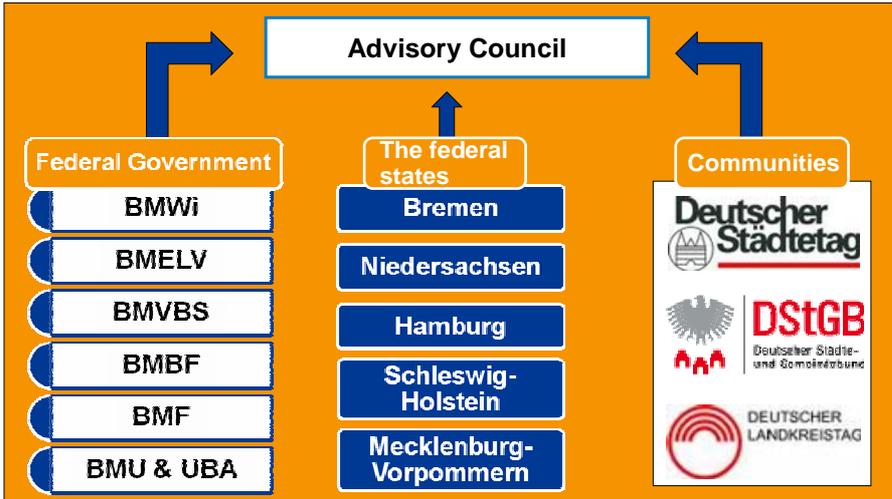
- coastal protection in the light of climate change
- coastal tourism



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Composition of the Advisory Council





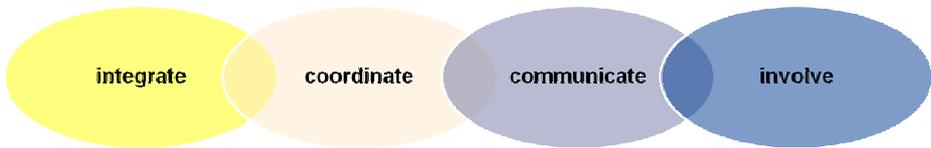
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Functions of the *Küsten-Kontor*

Küsten-Kontor ...

- ... is an informal approach designed to support the integrated development of the coastal zone.
- ... seeks to help disseminate and apply knowledge and experiences of stakeholders in the coastal zone across sectors and issues.
- ... aims at approaching all planning and decision-making bodies and proactively mediating conflicts arising from increasing demands on the coastal zone.



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Cooperation for the coastal zone

Küsten-Kontor
involve + coordinate + integrate + communicate

Advisory
Council

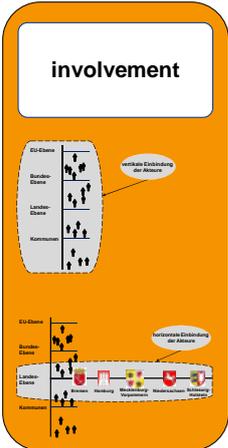
partners of the
Küsten-Kontor

community level
practitioners

scientific
research experts

implementation moderations, bilateral exchange, mediations,
round tables, workshops, recommended practices,
guidelines, scenarios, strategies, ...

involvement



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Delivering crucial information

Küsten-Kontor helps to meet the crucial challenges:

-  gathers and communicates facts, data, trends in the two areas of focus!
-  identifies and disseminates contacts!
-  conducts expert interviews and communicates results to community practitioners!
-  informs via newsletters and e-mail!
-  gathers best practices from communities!
-  conceptualises, organises and moderates events and workshops for community practitioners along the coast!

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-  online at www.ikzm-strategie.de and www.kuesten-kontor.de
-  at events in the coastal region
-  via newsletter
-  and in person



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