



**Wadden Sea Forum**  
**WG ICZM, 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting**  
**Hamburg, 2 May 2011**

Final Draft Minutes

**1. Opening**

*Document: WG ICZM 13-1 Draft agenda*

The chair Herman Verheij welcomed the participants, thanked the host of the meeting Mr. Mattfeld from RWE Dea AG and opened the meeting 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-12**

*Document: Final Draft Minutes ICZM 12*

The final draft minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of WG ICZM, Hamburg, 9 February 2011 were **adopted**.

**3. Announcements**

Herman Verheij referred to the integrated management plan for the Ems estuary and informed the meeting that in April a first meeting of the planning group took place.

**4. Data ICZM and Maritime Spatial Planning**

*Presentation EUCC-D: WebGIS first results*

Holger Janssen from EUCC-D introduced the prototype of the WebGIS ([http://gis.eucc-d.de/waddengis\\_mapfish/index.htm](http://gis.eucc-d.de/waddengis_mapfish/index.htm)) and explained the different layers in more detail.

The sea chart from The Netherlands and Germany were not uploaded yet, the ones from Denmark were not available yet. In comparison with the EU Maritime Atlas ([http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/atlas/maritime\\_atlas/](http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/atlas/maritime_atlas/)), the WebGIS would entail much more detailed information and could be taken as a tool for deeper insights with visualized practical information. The data given under "Land cover" were based on a large scale EU level and include also data not relevant for the Wadden Sea Region such as rice fields and olives groves. EUCC-D would check, if these data could be taken out of the system. The WebGIS would be improved and completed within the coming weeks and months.

The meeting welcomed the introduced instrument and highlighted the cross-border approach as well as the land – sea interaction. It was proposed to connect the WebGIS with the data of the sustainability indicator tool to visualize the socio-economic and

ecological developments in the WSR. For this, administrative boundaries had to be added. Furthermore, tourism and recreation data should be added to provide an information tool for the development of the sustainable tourism strategy of the Trilateral Wadden Sea Cooperation.

The meeting stated that this additional information would increase the value and use of the instrument and attract potential money sources for maintaining and extending the WebGIS. Also the other WSF working groups should be integrated in the further development to reach a broad acceptance and support.

Finally, the meeting briefly discussed the course of presenting the WebGIS at the WSF-18 meeting in Den Helder.

Herman Verheij will give an introduction and explain the background and process. Furthermore, he would highlight the potentials of the instrument and point at the perspectives built upon the basic package.

Holger Janssen will demonstrate the prototype of the WebGIS and explain the different layers and how it could be applied. He also will give examples of future potentials.

## **5. EU consultation on MSP and ICZM**

### ***Document: EU questionnaire on MSP and ICZM***

The European Commission has launched a consultation process on Maritime Spatial Planning and ICZM. The aim of the consultation is to gather stakeholder feedback about the status and future of MSP and ICZM in the EU, and where further EU action would be most useful.

The secretary introduced a proposal of answers as basis for an intensive discussion.

The meeting went through the questionnaire step by step and agreed on jointly made answers and comments. A summary of the agreed version will be forwarded to the WSF-18 meeting to get a mandate for submission to the EU.

The results of the discussion are given in the completed questionnaire which was already distributed to the participants.

## **6. Any other business**

No other business discussed. The chair announced as an agenda for the next meeting the preparation of the state of sustainability of the Wadden Sea Region.

## **7. Next meeting**

The meeting **agreed** to hold the next meeting on 26 September 2011 at RWE Dea AG in Hamburg.

## **8. Closing**

The chair thanked for the fruitful and interesting meeting and closed it at 15:00.

**Annex 2**

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