



Wadden Sea Forum
WG ICZM, 2018-3 Meeting
Hamburg, 28 November 2018

Final Draft Minutes

1. Opening

Document: WG ICZM 2018-3, Draft agenda

The secretary of the working group, Manfred Vollmer, welcomed the participants and opened the meeting at 11:00 hours. He thanked Mr. Mattfeld from DEA AG for hosting the meeting. The list of participants is in Annex 1. The agenda was adopted and is in Annex 2.

2. Adoption of the Minutes ICZM 2018-2

Document: Final Draft Minutes ICZM 2018-2

The meeting **adopted** the final draft minutes of the 2018-2 meeting of WG ICZM, Bremen, 21 August 2018, as distributed by e-mail of 12 September 2018.

The final draft minutes are also available at the WSF website www.waddensea-forum.org

3. Announcements

No announcements made.

4. Results of the WSF-34 plenary meeting

The meeting was briefly informed about the main contents of the WSF-34 plenary meeting on 1-2 November 2018 in Büsum. The main subjects were on the workshop climate change adaptation (see agenda item 6), sustainability indicators and partner-hub. For further and more detailed information, the participants were invited to have a closer look at the WSF-34 final draft minutes, placed on the WSF website.

5. Demographic Change

The secretary briefly introduced some new activities about the work topic demographic change in the WSR, which has caused new cooperation. It was envisaged that the universities of Vechta and Tilburg, the Wadden Academy, the municipality of Wangerland and the WSF will jointly work on consequences of demographic change as well as on challenges and opportunities to meet future needs. This collaboration could be used as best practice example, stimulating other municipalities to overcome problems and threats regarding sustainable and demographic development on local level.

Petra Sewig informed that at the level of the Federal Government, a commission on "Equivalent living conditions" ("Gleichwertige Lebensverhältnisse") started its work in September. Six working groups have been set up:

- municipal old debts,
- economy and innovation,
- regional planning and statistics,
- technical infrastructure,
- social services of general interest and work and
- participation and cohesion of society.

The aim of the commission is to develop proposals for a fair distribution of resources and opportunities for all people living in Germany. It is envisaged that a report will be prepared by July 2019.

[https://www.bmi.bund.de/SharedDocs/pressemitteilungen/DE/2018/09/kommission-gleichwertige-lebensverhaeltnisse.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=6]

6. Thematic workshops for plenary sessions

Document: ICZM 2018-3-6.1 Brief results workshop on climate change adaptation

The ICZM group recalled the results of the workshop on climate change adaptation at the WSF-34 plenary meeting on 1 November in order to further work on an agreed policy paper to raise more awareness, also with regard to necessary actions and measures.

It was **agreed** to limit the scope of the work on the following conditions:

- build on the results of the workshop;
- the theme will be climate change adaptation regarding water;
- the emphasis is on the Wadden Sea Region;
- the topics of risks and challenges are water management itself, agriculture and society/nature.

After a fruitful and constructive discussion about the contents, structure and timeline the ICZM group **agreed** on the following conclusions:

- relevant background scenarios will be compiled and briefly described. This scenarios will be taken from the coastal atlas of the North-German climate office at HZG, Geesthacht (draft by 18 January 2019);
- risks and challenges of climate change adaptation will be compiled in a table (draft by 18 January 2019);
- Discussion and further elaboration at the ICZM 2019-1 meeting on 24 January 2019;
- Drawing first conclusions at the meeting;
- Update of the work so far and forwarding the updated draft to WSF members with request for comments and amendments (mid-February 2019);
- input by WSF members and external experts by end of March 2019;
- compilation of best practises in February and March 2019;
- compilation of some existing measures in February and March 2019 (as annex of policy paper);
- finalization of second draft until 19 April 2019;
- distribution to WSF-35 plenary;
- discussion at WSF-35 on 7/8 May 2019 and elaboration of recommendations;
- finalization of policy paper by mid-June 2019.

All ICZM members committed themselves to deliver best input and to approach colleagues in their organization for support if necessary.

7. Any other business

No other business discussed.

8. Next meeting

The meeting **agreed** to hold the ICZM 2019-1 meeting on 24 January 2019 in Hamburg. The meeting will function as a working session to elaborate on the policy paper climate change adaptation in the Wadden Sea Region.

9. Closing

The secretary thanked all participants for their participation and contributions made and closed the meeting at 15:00 hours.

ANNEX 2

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