EMODnet Secretariat Work Programme

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Why a Secretariat?

- Provide high-level coordination and technical expertise to support
 - the monitoring of EMODnet projects;
 - the dissemination of their results, and
 - the analysis of user feedback and statistics.
- Oversee the development of the EMODnet entry portal
- Overarching aim → contribute to more coherent, effective, efficient and fit for purpose EMODnet



Who is the Secretariat?

- Administered by Seascape Consultants UK (www.seascapeconsultants.co.uk)
- Jan-Bart Calewaert (overall coordination and communication)
- Liesbeth Renders (technical support)
- Vikki Gunn (management support)
- Phil Weaver (project oversight)

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Where is the Secretariat? Hosted by the Flemish Government at the InnovOcean site in Oostende, (Belgium) EMODnet Secretariat UNESCO IOC -IODE Flanders Marine Institute (VLIZ)

Main tasks of the Secretariat

- Organise the EMODnet Entry Portal Steering Committee
- Improve visibility and disseminate EMODnet results
- Collect feedback from EMODnet users
- Test functionality of EMODnet Portals and monitor overall progress
- Support the Marine Observation and Data Expert Group (MODEG)





1. Entry Portal Steering Committee

- · Convened/chaired by Secretariat based on ToR
- Coordinators of the thematic portals [+ seabasin checkpoints as observers]
 - guide development of entry portal
 - provide forum for discussion of operational issues
- First Meeting 16-17 December, Oostende
- 2-3 meetings per year synchronised with MODEG meetings (+/- 2 weeks prior)



2. Improve visibility and disseminate **EMODnet results**

- EMODnet leaflet [February 2014] and brochure [end of 2014];
- **Demonstration** of EMODnet: to be presented at various meetings and also posted online [Develop in 2014 – present 2014-2015];
- Two videos on EMODnet [early 2015];

→Ideas collected in 2013 / content proposals from early 2014 / development 2014-2015



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3. Collect feedback from users

- With assistance from the various EMODnet teams:
 - monitor feedback from EMODnet users
 - ensure that any questions or issues are addressed by the thematic assembly groups
 - include summaries of feedback received in the bi-monthly and annual reports.



4. Monitor EMODnet Portals and overall progress

- Standardise and synchronise bi-monthly reports from the thematic portals to check progress
 - Agree template and timetable [ASAP];
 - Sync reporting from January 2014 (earlier if possible)
- Develop & implement indicators to measure progress in each portal - advice from MODEG [Now + next meeting]
- Test portals to identify weaknesses, user-friendliness, coverage of parameters, signing-in procedures, speed of delivery, data quality [effectiveness/efficiency/satisfaction]
- Publish progress reports (bi-monthly) on Maritime Forum





EMODnet lots MARE2012/10&11

MARE 2012/10	Theme / region	Phase II Starting Date
Lot 1	Bathymetry / hydrography	29/07/2013
Lot 2	Geology	16/10/2013
Lot 3	Habitats	10/09/2013
Lot 4	Chemistry	16/08/2013
Lot 5	Biology	30/08/2013
Lot 6	Physics	24/07/2013
Lot 7	Human Activity	17/09/2013



EMODnet monitoring - indicators

- Secretariat proposes 10 indicators for potential consideration (see tabled doc)
- · Progress against indicators reported as part of
 - bi-monthly reports of thematic portals
 - Steering Committee entry portal work programme (interoperability, case studies and data products, etc)
- Proposal for bi-monthly reporting template





Thank you for your attention





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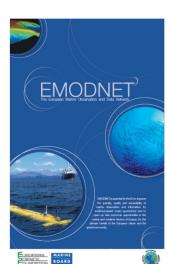




Vision Document on European Marine Observations and Data Network **EMODNET**







- Review the background policy documentation addressing EMODNET;
- •Identify the concepts relevant for the EMODNET
- Science and policy dimensions of these concepts
- Develop a Vision Document targeted towards policymakers

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