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**Subject: MARE/2008/02 lot 2 EMODnet Geology: Second Interim Report**

We received your interim report (our reference Ares(2011)260605). Our reviewers recognise that with the exception of the work package 7, on minerals, much progress has been made. However the report should provide more details of what has been done and the relationship with other projects

- (1) The report should include a section on the relationship with Geo-Seas something like

*As part of the Geo-Seas project, national geological surveys are now establishing their connection to the SeaDataNet infrastructure and in preparing CDI metadata entries and data files for their samples and cores. This is making an increasing volume of marine geological and geophysical metadata and data available to users through the dedicated Geo-Seas portal and the overall SeaDataNet portal. The locations and metadata will also be made available as part of the CDI WMS and WFS services by which these can be added as extra layer and information to the EMODnet Geology portal<sup>1</sup> to show the locations and metadata of the samples and cores on top of the seamless seabed surface map of 1:1 million for the European seas.*

- (2) The report should indicate a timetable for completing the work in work package 7 on minerals
- (3) More details of the multilingual metadata for the map products should be added

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.emodnet-geology.eu>

- (4) There are some issues with the portal itself. The report should indicate how the following will be dealt with;
- (a) Speed of refresh is very slow. The report should include actual timings for loading pages, target timings and a description of how the targets will be achieved.
  - (b) It is not intuitive to arrive at the marine part of the OneGeology portal. The reports should indicate how this will be done.
  - (c) Whilst not all portals will be identical, there should be some similarities in look and feel between all the EMODnet portals. How this will be one should be explained.

Could you please send us a revised report taking into account these points in the next 20 days.



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