

BIOMARE
**Implementation and Networking of large-scale long-term Marine Biodiversity research
in Europe**

Steering Committee Meeting
30 – 31 October
Palma de Mallorca

Day 1: Evaluation of the Progress

9.00-11.00

Work Package 1: Primary and Reference sites

Introduction:

- Primary and Reference sites
- Evaluation of the protocol of the selection criteria for the primary sites
- Omissions in the list
- What will be presented during the workshop?

Discussion items:

Presentation during the workshop

Primary sites:

- Did the protocol function?
- Number of sites per region
- Gaps in the geographical distribution
- Additional sites required?
- Available data
- Kind of most common information (biotic / abiotic)
- Gaps in information

Reference sites

- Number of sites per region
- Gaps in the geographical distribution
- Available data
- Additional sites required

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 13.00

Work Package 2: Indicators

Introduction

List of indicators, biomarkers etc

What will be presented during the workshop?

Discussion items

Presentation during the workshop

Indicators and processes

- What general processes are covered?
- What is the resolution of the indicator (system) in effect?
- Gaps in the information

indicators and scales:

- Hierarchy in the commonness of indicators
- How 'general' are the indicators?
- What are the spatial scales the indicators can be applied?
- What is the resolution in time and space?
- Gaps in the information

Indicators in the OECD context

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 15.30

Bridging WP1 and WP2

How do we link the two work packages?

Can we link the Primary and reference sites with WP2?

Which (type of) indicators are appropriate this?

15.30- 16.30

Work Package 3 Dissemination and capacity building

Introduction

Discussion Items

- Web site
- Networking
- Newsletter
- Progress report
- Database
- Flyer

16.30 – 17.00

General coordination

Introduction

17.00 – 17.30 Coffee break

17.30 -

General coordination

Discussion items

- Goals of BIOMARE
 - Do we reach the goals?
 - Are we pleased with the present progress?
 - Omissions?
- Regional meetings
- Workshop
- Management reports
- Communication

Day 2. The future of BIOMARE

9.00 – 9.30

Introduction

- Overview of the work programme
- List of gaps, omissions indicated and discussed during day 1.

9.30 – 11.00

The first WORKSHOP

- Fine tuning of the Programme
- What kind of information do we want to gather during the workshop?
- Gaps in the presentations

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00

Work Package 1: Primary and Reference sites

Primary Sites

- Research at the primary sites: research programme, methodology, strategy
- What do we expect from the institutes that proposed the sites?
- What can we offer them?
- Strategies to fill in gaps

Reference Sites

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Task list for the next year

13.00- 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 16.00

Work Package 2: Indicators

- What will be the level of abstraction of the synthesis?
- Will it be possible to formulate a tool like proposed by Herman Hummel?
- What will be the connection between WP1 and WP2?
- The use of OECD indicator / indicator system

Task list for the next year

16.00 – 17.00

Work Package 3 Dissemination and capacity building

- Flyer
- Networking
- Databases

Task list for the next year

17.00 – 17.30 Coffee break

17.30-

General Coordination

- Do we reach the goals with the proposed programme (task lists)?
- Indication of bottlenecks.
- Setting management priorities

Regional meetings

- Combined or not?

Steering Committee meetings

Next Workshop

The future of BIOMARE

- What will follow up BIOMARE?

Updating the agenda

- Reports
- Regional meetings
- Steering Committee meeting
- Workshop