



ENCORA

SHARING KNOWLEDGE WITHIN EUROPE FOR INTEGRATED COASTAL MANAGEMENT

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ENCORA WHY?

Coastal knowledge in Europe is fragmented ...

- over many hundreds of institutes
- with divisions between science, policy and practice
- with divisions between disciplines

... and therefore not easily accessible and applicable

ENCORA WHAT?

ENCORA Network of Networks offers, as a free service:

1. search of partners throughout Europe to learn from mutual experience and to solve problems together
2. organisation of workshops to benchmark coastal policies, coastal practice, scientific tools and knowledge
3. organisation of exchange visits of young researchers and practitioners

HOW TO JOIN ENCORA?

For institutes: through membership of one of the National Coastal Networks, or through membership of CoastNET or EUCC

For individual participants: through registration at one of the ENCORA Thematic Networks

For countries without National Coastal Network: contact the ENCORA Office at RIKZ in The Hague, The Netherlands, Email: j.dronkers@rikz.rws.minvenw.nl



WHEN TO CALL ON ENCORA?

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You are facing an issue (in coastal science, policy or practice) on which expertise is not readily available and for which you are considering to start an investigation. You can submit this question to the National Coordination Office, which will search for colleagues in Europe who have dealt with the same question and are willing to share their experience, or colleagues who are facing the same issue and are willing to work together on a solution. The National Coordination Office will keep you continuously informed about the search progress.

Small questions requiring a rapid answer can be addressed to a Thematic Internet Section of ENCORA, where all theme members can react to their mutual questions.

National Networks

Theme Networks	National Networks
Multifunctionality	●
Stakeholder involvement	●
Spatial planning	●
Pollution	●
Long-term change	●
Coastal habitat change	●
Biodiversity change	●
Engineering techniques	●
Observational techniques	●
Capacity building	●

ENCORA IS BASED ON:

- **National Coastal Networks** in 13 European countries with Coordination Offices for establishing contacts and cooperation
- **Thematic Networks** on coastal issues shared by many European coastal nations
- Practitioners networks EUCC and CoastNet
- Other affiliated networks with operational links to ENCORA

NETWORK TASKS:

- **National Networks** are process oriented: initiate/facilitate knowledge sharing and cooperation
- **Thematic Networks** are content oriented: analysis of strengths and weaknesses of existing knowledge, policies and practices

THE ENCORA CONTACT SEARCH IS SUPPORTED BY:

- **Network ambassadors:** scientists, practitioners and policymakers with broad personal networks
- **Distributed Knowledge-Exchange Infrastructure DKEl:** Internet portal with search facility, linking websites of member institutes and webpages of individual participants throughout Europe

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THEMATIC NETWORKS

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New sustainable coastal engineering techniques	Delft Tech. Univ.	Jan van de Graaff, Marcel Stive, Henk Jan Verhagen	j.vandegraaff@citg.tudelft.nl
Assessment of field observation techniques	GKSS	Franciscus Colijn, Jens Kappenberg	franciscus.colijn@gkss.de ; jens.kappenberg@gkss.de
Capacity building, education and training	Cantabria Univ	Inigo Losada	losadai@unican.es

AFFILIATED NETWORKS

EEA Topic Centre on Terrestrial Environment

EUROCOAST Association of scientists, engineers and decision makers within the European community

COREPOINT Interreg IIB project to establish NW Europe as a region of excellence in Coastal management

CoPraNet Interreg IIIC project to establish a coastal practitioners network and bridge the gap between planners, managers and the research community throughout Europe

EUROGOOS Association of Agencies for the development of Operational Oceanography in the European Sea areas and adjacent oceans

MARCOAST Network for information supporting decision-making in coastal management.

LOICZ IGBP programme on the area of the earth's surface where land, ocean and atmosphere meet and interact

GISIG Association on GIS and Geo-Information to promote GIS awareness and create a meeting point between professionals and actual/potential users of GIS

ICCOPS Network on sustainable development of the ocean and coastal areas in conformity with the policy of the United Nations

LaguNet Scientific observational network on fluxes of nutrients and other contaminants from lagoon catchments to the near coastal environment

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