

EUCC - Deutschland

Annual Report 2014

Projects and Strategies

In the beginning of 2014 an online - learning module and handouts about “e-Learning and Environmental Education”, “Marine Litter Education at the beach” and “Tools for data gathering and analysis in ICM” were completed in the project **Enhancing Capacity of Youth for Improved Coastal Zone Management in Ghana and Germany** (GIZ, 2013).

In the project **AQUAFIMA** (EU Baltic Sea Region Programme, 2011-2014) EUCC-D contributed to the „Winteracademy 2014“ at the „Institute for quality development Mecklenburg Vorpommern“ with a teaching unit about „Fish in lessons – sustainable study with a regional focus“. The EUCC-D photo exhibition “Fishery & Aquaculture” supplemented the AQUAFIMA closure conference in Mariehamn, Åland in early 2014. In spring the photo exhibition moved from the State Office for Agriculture, Food Security and Fisheries Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (LALLF M-V) to the Rostocker Fischmarkt (fish-marked), where the pictures were shown until October 2014. www.aquafima.eu/en/

At the close of the project **Generation BALT** (EU South Baltic Programme 2011-2014) in autumn 2014 EUCC-D documented the projects aims and results in a seven-minute movie. The movie about education in the maritime sector is available on EUCC-D's Youtube-Channel. <http://www.generationbalt.eu/>

In **RADOST** (BMBF, 2009-2014) EUCC-D developed the experimental game „Climate Manager 2.0“, which was implemented in a vocational school in Ostholstein in the beginning of 2014. At the RADOST closure conference in the Rostock town hall 115 participants drew the balance of 5 years research. EUCC-D's focus in the project was tourism and beach management. www.klimzug-radost.de/

In March the **HERRING** (EU South Baltic Programme, 2012-2014) project partners and stakeholders from authorities and NGOs

met at a transnational workshop in the Maritime Museum in Stralsund, organised by EUCC-D and the Thuenen-Institute of Baltic Sea Fisheries.

Within the framework of the LITTORAL 2014 conference in September EUCC-D organised a HERRING Symposium as a platform to discuss and exchange the case study results concerning a sustainable spawning ground management and to compile recommendations for a sustainable development in the Baltic Sea. In a public panel discussion at the European Maritime Day in Bremen in May the project partners presented the current status of the case studies. www.baltic-herring.eu

Also at the „European Maritime Day“ EUCC-D honoured seven national winners in the european youth video contest „Catch Marine Litter on Film!“ which was carried out in the project **MARLISCO** (EU FP7, 2012-2015). A touring marine litter exhibition, which was designed in MARLISCO and implemented at national level by EUCC-D, reached 110,174 visitors in the Maritime Museum in Stralsund from June to the end of November. To raise the awareness about marine litter in every age group the bilingual installation was supplemented by regional and child-oriented elements. A video installation showed the German winning contributions of the video contest “Catch Marine Litter on Film!”. The exhibition is shown parallel in 14 further countries. www.marlisco.eu

Two further educational projects, based on the concept „Education for sustainable development“, have started in 2014. **MeerSehen** (“SeeTheSea”, BINGO/ SPK SH/ GGG SH 2014-2015) is a youth media competition in Schleswig-Holstein which invites children and young people from school year 5 to 13 to expand their awareness of their maritime environment. In cooperation with the “Institute for quality insurance in schools in Schleswig-Holstein” (IQSH) EUCC-D conducted a workshop and an information booth at the “Education for sustainable development Symposium 2014” and a teacher training. In five youth workshops in autumn

EUCC-D revealed possibilities for implementing the media competition.

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In the project **Ostseekiste-Pädagogische Werkstätten zum nachhaltigen Umgang mit dem Lebensraum Ostsee** ("Baltic Sea Box - Educational workshops on sustainable use of the habitat Baltic Sea", DJH MV 2014-2016) EUCC-D is cooperating with the German Youth Hostel Association - State Association of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (DJH MV). In autumn EUCC-D visited and selected youth hostels for the school year 2015/16, where students in school year 5 to 10 can come into contact with the marine environment. EUCC-D will provide boxes with a variety of materials. Beforehand teachers will be invited to learn about the educational and subject-specific workshop concept of the project at the teacher training in early 2015.

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As a partner in the students project competition "Schüler STAUNen" and supervisor in the topic V „The changing Baltic Sea coast“ EUCC-D participated in the 15. award ceremony in the Rostock town hall. In the 16. round of the competition EUCC-D together with the coastal department of the StALU MM is in charge of the topic "Our Baltic Sea Coast – yesterday, today and tomorrow".

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Membership and Staff

By the end of 2014 EUCC-D had 100 members. Four member information letters, including protocols, information on projects, developments and internal activities of the organization were sent via email to the members and can be also found in the member's area on the website.

EUCC-D board member Gerald Schernewski is president of the Coastal and Marine Union (EUCC) since the election in autumn 2014.

The EUCC-D board (2014 until 2018) was elected at the Annual Members' Meeting within the framework of the European Maritime Day in Bremen in spring.

At a meeting in the end of 2014 the board defined the associations' strategy and activities.

All activities of the EUCC-D were coordinated in Warnemünde. 13 employees were involved in accomplishment of the associa-

tions' activities and project work in 2014. In addition, one participant of the voluntary ecological year and eleven interns supported the organisation, including three from China, Ghana and the U.S.A.. Furthermore, a five-member advisory board provided expertise and experience.

Cooperations

EUCC-D continued to maintain a close cooperation with the Leibniz-Institute for Baltic Sea Research. Since 2014 EUCC-D is cooperating with the German Youth Hostel Association - State Association of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania in the project "Ostseekiste".

EUCC-D participated in the academic teaching of the distance education programmes 'Environment & Education' and 'Environmental Protection' carried out by the University of Rostock.

In addition, EUCC-D is cooperating with the Deutsches Meeresmuseum (German Maritime Museum), the State Agency for Agriculture and Environment ("Staatliches Amt für Landwirtschaft und Umwelt Mittleres Mecklenburg"), the Verband Mecklenburgischer Ostseebäder (Association of Baltic Sea baths Mecklenburg and the Wattenmeerforum (Wadden Sea Forum).

Activities

In 2014 each of the six issues of the two-monthly published "Küsten Newsletter" reached about 1.300 subscribers.

On the public day of the "European Maritime Day" in Bremen" EUCC-D informed about maritime projects and developments. Visitors could follow expert interviews on the "Blue Sofa" and ask questions about the topics marine pollution, integrated coastal management, dune management and cooperation projects between science and fisheries.

In autumn EUCC-D together with 100 students and teachers from the Ecolea-International School in Rostock collected and analysed marine litter at the beach of Warnemünde/Wilhelmshöhe. EUCC-D organised a further beach clean up in Warnemünde together with participants of the voluntary ecological year in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

EUCC-D staff members carried out the marine litter monitoring at beach sections in Kągdorf periodically.

On an excursion in December the new board member Maïke Isermann guided EUCC-D staff members and colleagues from the IOW working group Coastal and Marine Management through the national park "Vorpommersche Boddenlandschaft".

Publications and Articles

- **Coastline Reports 22:**
N. Stybel & M. Skor (eds.): Fisheries management in coastal waters of the Baltic Sea - AQUAFIMA results of the Szczecin Lagoon, Vistula Lagoon, Curonian Lagoon and Gulf of Riga. Coastline Reports 22 (2014),
- **Coastline Reports 23:**
EUCC – Die Küsten Union Deutschland e.V.: Coastal adaptation processes in the German Baltic Sea Region. Coastline Reports 23 (2014)
- **Coastal & Marine 23-1:**
Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)/EUCC-Die Küsten Union Deutschland (2014): Coastal Climate Change -Adaptive management of beaches and coastal waters. Coastal & Marine 23 (1).
- **Coastal & Marine 23-2:**
Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)/EUCC-Die Küsten Union Deutschland (2014): Aquaculture in the Baltic Sea Region. Coastal & Marine 23 (2).
- **Coastal & Marine 23-3:**
Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)/EUCC-Die Küsten Union Deutschland (2014): Coastal Climate Change - Biodiversity and nature conservation. Coastal & Marine 23 (3).
- **Meer & Küste (5):**
EUCC- Die Küsten Union Deutschland e.V., Rostock Warnemünde, 2014

Outlook and perspectives

The project duration of HERRING was extended until the end of April 2015. A synthesis report will sum up the ecological conditions and governance structures in each case study area.

In 2015 the Marine Litter Exhibition „Mensch • Müll • Meer“ will be shown e.g. at the Neuland Brandenburg University of Applied Sciences. In March EUCC-D will organise a Marine Litter Forum within the framework of the MARLISCO project.

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- Subscription to the international EUCC magazine 'Coastal & Marine'
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