# DIKE TG and Marine Data and Observation Expert Group (MODEG)

# July 4th and 5th

European Environment Agency

Kgs Nytorv 6, Copenhagen

Conference room

*Members of MODEG are invited to join DIKE TG as observers, and members of DIKE TG are invited as observers to the MODEG meeting. Regional Sea Convention Secretariats or their representatives are invited to participate in both meetings, and ICES will participate in both meetings. The DIKE TG is described below and the MODEG meeting will be dedicated to presentations of the newly awarded Emodnet projects. Although the agenda for day 2 looks a bit dense, plenty of time will be allowed for discussion, and this day should be seen as an opportunity to influence the future content of the projects.*

# Background for DIKE TG activities

A strategic document outlining the priorities for the work under art 19.3 has been discussed in WG-DIKE and following considerable changes, it has been noted by the MSCG. The paper noted by the MSCG will be discussed again in the October, 2013 DIKE meeting, but it will none the less be used to set the over-all context of the DIKE TG meeting.

The work under article 19.3 covers how to deal with data when they are reported so that they are shared with the broadest possible community and made available for the largest number of purposes. Underlying the objectives of art 19.3 are a series of technical considerations, and there is a need to explore how the data reporting will take place, once an agreement has been made on which data to report, and these will be discussed in the DIKE technical group meetings. Such discussions are, however, best had on the basis of concrete examples, and for this reason the discussions in the DIKE TG will be based on proposals for datasets to report on. Over time, the datasets will be linked to the 11 MSFD descriptors, criteria and indicators within the commission decision and indicator work taking place within the RSC. The aim will be to develop a collection of data fact sheets, related to the data needs of each of the 11 descriptors. As they become ready, they will be submitted as proposals to WG DIKE and GES for further reflections, and hopefully they will ultimately be adopted as a commitment by Marine Directors in 2016.

In this first workshop the objective will be to reflect on the different elements needed for developing an appropriate data fact sheet which describes the information needed about observations and the data exchange mechanism(s). In order to make the discussion concrete, it will focus on eutrophication and hazardous substances, as already outlined earlier in the quick wins paper. The EEA and its ETC/ICM will show how it sees the characterisation of the observations and the data exchange and it will explain how observations and data exchange has been handled to date within the Eionet.

We have invited the coordinator of the Emodnet chemical project to understand better how they see options for engaging with the MSFD process and we will have a presentation on options for handling the data exchange, related to INSPIRE. The discussions to be based on worked examples of how the exchange is currently taking place within the regional sea conventions, and a proposed template for describing the reporting elements. The outcomes of the discussions will be used to guide how to further progress the template to adequately describe observations and data exchange mechanisms.

The outcome of the meeting will be a recommendation to WG-DIKE on how to characterize observations, and data exchange mechanisms (which is based on specific examples) by using a template. The agreed template will be used to structure future work on the 11 MSFD descriptors. For each of the 11 topics, the WG-DIKE TG will use the template to propose observations and data exchange mechanisms based on on- going work in the regional sea conventions to WG-DIKE for further reflection.

# Draft agenda for First DIKE technical group meeting

July 4th, 2013,

9-18:15

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Workshop Chair: EEA

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| **Time** | **Item** | **Presenter** | **Paper** |
| 8:30-9 | Registration |  |  |
| 9-10:30 | Opening and welcome and |  |  |
|  | Presentation on workshop objectives | Trine Christiansen/EEA | Working paper 1: strategy paper proposed to MSCG |
|  | How data and data exchange have been handled to date | Constanca Belchior/EEA | Working paper 2: existing data exchange within Eionet |
|  | What was achieved in the first art 19.3 reporting round | Neil Holdsworth/ICES | Working paper 3: status of 2013 reporting on art 19.3 |
|  | Discussion |  |  |
| 10:30-11 | Coffee |  |  |
| 11 -12 | How can INSPIRE be used to support MSFD reporting | Darja Lihteneger/EEA |  |
|  | Introduction of data reporting sheet | Neil Holdsworth/ICES | Working paper 4: worked examples from Baltic, North East Atlantic and Mediterranean |
|  | How can Emodnet engage in support to MSFD data reporting | Alessandra Giorgetti /university of Trieste  Giordano Giorgi (IT) |  |
| 12-13 | Split into breakout groups (assuming 30 participants: 3-4 groups),  Rapporteurs: Neil Holdsworth, Constanca Belchior, David Connor, and Trine Christiansen  Slides with specific questions for discussion will be provided to rapporteurs. | All |  |
| 13-14 | Lunch |  |  |
| 14 | Coffee |  |  |
| 14-16 | Breakout discussions continued | All |  |
| 16-17 | Feedback to plenary from breakout groups | Breakout group rapporteurs |  |
| 17 | GMES presentation (information point to gauge interest in a dedicated workshop) | Giordano Giorgi (IT) |  |
| 17:15 | Presentation of fact sheet related to reporting of monitoring programmes | Hans-Christian Reimers (DE) | Working paper 5 (tbc) |
|  | Further discussion and meeting conclusions | All |  |
| 18:15 | Meeting close |  |  |
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|  | *Optional joint dinner for those staying* |  |  |

# Draft agenda for 19th MODEG meeting

July 5th, 2013,

8:30-17

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Workshop Chair: DG Mare

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| **Time** | **Item** | **Presenter** | **Paper** |
| 8.30 | Welcome and introduction to new MODEG members | DG-MARE |  |
| 9.00 | EMODnet bathymetry |  |  |
| 9.30 | EMODnet geology |  |  |
| 10.00 | EMODnet physics |  |  |
| 10.30 | Coffee |  |  |
| 11.00 | EMODNet chemistry |  |  |
| 11.30 | EMODnet biology |  |  |
| 12.00 | EMODnet human activity |  |  |
| 12.30 | lunch |  |  |
| 14.00 | EMODnet habitats |  |  |
| 14.30 | EMODnet portal | VLIZ |  |
| 15.00 | coffee |  |  |
| 15.30 | North Sea checkpoint |  |  |
| 16.00 | Mediterranean checkpoint |  |  |
| 16.30 | Next steps – EMODnet phase 3 | DG-MARE |  |
| 17.00 | Anything else |  |  |
| 17.30 | End |  |  |