

Innovative management for Europe's Changing Coastal Resource

IMCORE Workshop – 15th September, The Hague

09.00-13.00h

IMCORE scenario development and tools

– key methodologies for adaptation to climate change

Chairing and facilitating

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Rationale (why is it needed by coastal professionals?)

Through the IMCORE project (Innovative management for Europe's Changing Coastal Resource) (INTERREG IVB) local and regional authorities coupled with academic institutions from nine sites in North West Europe are building capacity and developing adaptation strategies to the predicted economic, social and environmental impacts of climate change on coastal sectors.

Working together at site level, a range of tools have been developed, tested and innovatively applied as part of an on-going process of local adaptation strategy development. Futures scenario development has been a key methodology of this process. The diverse applications, experiences and key lessons learnt partners during scenario development be will be shared during this session.

Aims of this workshop To explain and illustrate the innovative use of futures tools to coastal adaptation needs across Europe using real-world examples from across NW Europe. It will also provide participants with the opportunity to work through a typical futures scenarios development together with experts from the IMCORE project.

The diverse applications, experiences and lessons learnt from using scenarios in the context of coastal climate change will be discussed using representative case studies from North West Europe.

Futures scenario methodologies can:

- Enable creative, innovative and multidisciplinary perspectives and approaches to adaptation to the impacts of coastal climate change
- Support the realisation of longer term visions and planning, and
- Facilitate meaningful and long-lasting capacity-building

Guidelines and resources will be made available to enable participants to identify how they could best use future tools. These tools are made available through the portal www.coastaladaptation.eu (with sections in Dutch and French languages) which will be presented.

Description of Activities

IMCORE presentation and introduction of Futures Approaches

Real Life cases studies from North West Europe

Exercises and adaptation strategies development

Discussions & Wrap-up

Audience

Coastal practitioners, policy makers, consultants, academics, and researchers interested in adaptation in coastal areas .