

# Welcome to the meeting in the CHARM vegetation group

## Agenda for 3rd and 4th September 2002

**Meeting place:** Department of The Ministry of the Environment, Højbro Plads 4, 1200 DK-Copenhagen (see attached map of Copenhagen).

**Overall scope of the meeting:** Our compilation of meta data (deliverable 3) gave an overview of the available data in CHARM. Now we need to find a good way to extract the most of the available information. The meeting is intended for a good, open and informal discussion on how to proceed with this work.

The first day of the meeting is planned for discussions of ideas and selection of vegetation indicators and analyses. Short presentations of data and ideas on how to test the ecological state of coastal waters are intended to inspire the following discussion.

The second day is intended for detailed planning of the work to be done – with special focus on the work for the coming year. The detailed work plan (see attached file) will be updated according to the decisions and plans reached at the meeting.

### Agenda

#### 3rd September: Discussion of ideas. Selection of vegetation indicators and analyses

- 12.15-12.45 Welcome and lunch
- 12.45-13.00 Presentation of scope and expected outcome of the meeting (Dorte)
- 13.00-13.15 Which data are available and how comparable are they? – Summary of deliverable 3 (Dorte)
- 13.15-14.30 Presentation of data and ideas on vegetation indicators and analyses (I)
  - Macroalgae in Finland (Ari Ruuskanen)
  - Benthic vegetation in Latvia (Vadims Jermakovs/Andris Andrushaitis)
  - German data in the context of basic aims of WP3 (Sigrid Sagert)
- 14.30-14.40 Break
- 14.40-16.00 Presentation of data and ideas on vegetation indicators and analyses (II)
  - Area distribution of eelgrass (Christoffer Boström)
  - The depth limit of eelgrass (Dorte)
  - Eelgrass abundance versus depth (Dorte)
- 16.00-16.15 Coffee break
- 16.15-17.30 Discussion and selection of vegetation indicators and analyses in CHARM
  - What are the characteristics of a good vegetation indicator?
  - What possible vegetation indicators do we have?
  - What analyses are appropriate and feasible at small scale and at large scale?
  - What kind of raw data do we need?
- 18.30- Dinner in Copenhagen (NERI hosts)

#### 4th September: Planning of work for the coming year

- 09.00-09.15 Overview of the remaining deliverables
- 09.15-10.30 Detailed planning of Deliverable 15: Small-scale vegetation models; actual and historic state (I)
  - Organisation of work for selected vegetation indicator no. 1:*
    - Task 1: Acquisition of vegetation data and associated data: template
    - Task 2: Definition of actual state and (if possible) historic state
    - Task 3: Analysis of regulation of indicator X: procedure
    - Definition of working team and deadlines

10.30-10.45	Break
10.45-11.30	Detailed planning of Deliverable 15: Small-scale vegetation models; actual and historic state (II) <i>Organisation of work for selected vegetation indicator no. 1: same procedure...</i> <i>Organisation of work for selected vegetation indicator no. 1: same procedure...</i>
11.30-11.40	Break
11.40-13.00	Focusing the work towards deliverables 20, 21, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34
13.00-14.00	Lunch and take off

### **Participants**

Christoffer Boström, Åbo Academy University (AAU), Finland  
 Ari Ruuskanen, Finnish Environment Institute (FEI), Finland  
 Sigrid Sagert, Ernst-Moritz-Arndt Universität Greifswald (EMAUG), Germany  
 Kaire Torn, Estonian Marine Institute (EMI), Estonia  
 Vadims Jermakovs or Andris Andrushaitis, Institute of Aquatic Ecology ((IAE), Latvia  
 Dorte Krause-Jensen, National Environmental Research Institute (NERI), Denmark

### **Hotel & costs**

We have pre-booked rooms at hotel Copenhagen Triton, Helgolandsgade 7-11, DK-1653 Copenhagen V (see attached map). Prices are as follows: Single room DKK 595,00, breakfast DKK 50,00. Please remember that all lodging and leisure costs are up to you.