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The following paper gives a written overview of the announcements of CWSS to the WSB 42.

Proposal: The meeting is invited to note the document.



Announcements by CWSS to WSB42

1. CWSS part of advisory of NAPSEA project

CWSS joined the advisory board of the EU Horizon2020 project NAPSEA (N and P source to sea) https://napsea.eu, coordinated by Deltares, NL. Main stakeholders of eutrophication in the Wadden Sea were invited to the advisory board. CWSS joined the first advisory board meeting in October 2023 online.

2. UNESCO World Heritage marine site managers' meeting in Esbjerg

Between 5 and 9 October 2023, over 30 site managers from 22 World Heritage marine sites met at the fifth edition of the UNESCO World Heritage Marine Managers Conference in Esbjerg, Denmark. Site managers from the Wadden Sea were part of the Conference as participants and speakers. Wadden Sea site managers appreciated the exchange of knowledge and experiences with their counterparts worldwide and in addition gathered new ideas and practices to apply in the Wadden Sea. CWSS had the joy of being part of the trilateral organizing team, collaborating with the UNESCO team and of supporting the hosts in Denmark, Schleswig-Holstein, and the Esbjerg Municipality. The next edition of the UNESCO World Heritage Marine Managers Conference is scheduled for 2026.

<u>News items: https://www.waddensea-worldheritage.org/marine-world-heritage-site-managers-exchanged-know-how-and-practices-esbjerg</u>

https://whc.unesco.org/en/news/2617/

3. Water as Leverage Wadden (WaL Wadden) project proposal was not approved

The project proposal Water as Leverage Wadden: for a climate-proof future of the Wadden Sea Region submitted to the Call 3 of the Interreg North Sea Programme was not approved. The main objective of WaL Wadden was to develop climate resilient communities in the Wadden Sea region and ignite a process of capacity building, upscaling climate adaptation solutions using the Water as Leverage approach. The lead project partner Province of Frysland has organized a meeting to analyse the grounds for rejection and see if there is a way forward. CWSS is modest partner in the consortium.