

MESOAQUA Kick-Off Meeting Bergen 10-12 Mar, 2009.

Meeting held at University of Bergen, Christies Gate 18 (Room C18: 3.43).
Dinners and overnight stay at Grand Hotel Terminus (opposite the main railway station, <http://www.ghet.no/eng/homepg.aspx>).

Tue 10 Mar 2009

1330-1845: Pick up at the airport and transportation to the Grand Hotel Terminus by Jens Nejstgaard: Uli Sommer (1330), Benni Hansen (1530), Behzad Mosdajir, Emilie Le Floc'h and Roger Harris (1650), and Ulf Båmstedt (1845).

2030: Dinner at Grand Hotel Terminus: Participants anticipated to participate: Aud Larsen, Behzad Mosdajir, Benni Hansen, Celia Marrase, Emilie Le Floc'h, Frede Thingstad, Jens Nejstgaard, Roger Harris, Ulf Båmstedt, Uli Sommer.

Persons arriving after the start of the dinner: Ulf Riebesell and Bendik Halgunset (2105), Vivi Pitta and Tatiana Tsagaraki (2335) is asked to take a taxi to the Grand Hotel Terminus, and check in. Please share taxi when possible. Upon arrival, if you do not find us in the hotel, we may be reached via Jens' mobile (+47) 990 180 44.

Wed 11 Mar

0900-0910: Opening of the meeting by Jens Nejstgaard, Univ of Bergen (UoB) Department of Biology (BIO).

0910-0930: Welcome/Presentation of host organization UiB by Senior Adviser Bjørn Einar Aas, UoB, Research Department (RD).

0930-0950: Introduction and review of the consortium agreement by legal adviser Kitty Amlie Tverrå, UoB, RD.

0950-1010: Information on the reporting routines by Hege Dysvik Høiland, UoB RD.

1010-1030: Information on WP1: Consortium Management, overview of calendar events and establishment of the Steering Committee by Aud Larsen, MESOAQUA Administrative Officer, UoB, BiO.

1030-1040: Discussion about administrative issues.

1040-1100: Coffee break

1100-1120: Information on WP2: International training, transfer of technology and good practices by Ulf Båmstedt, University of Umeå (UmU).

1120-1130: Information on WP3: Transnational coordination of aquatic mesocosm research by Vivi Pitta, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR).

1130-1200: Information on WP4: Virtual transnational pelagic mesocosm centre, VTPMC and general summary of Transnational Access (TA) criteria, deadlines and the role and establishment of the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) by Jens Nejstgaard.

1200-1330: Lunch at "På Høyden" (http://www.spisestedet.no/index_eng.html).

1330-1350: Information on WP5: Transnational Access to the Norwegian National Mesocosm Centre, Espeland, 30 year history, facilities and previous research focus at the facility by Jorun Egge, BIO, UoB.

1350-1410: Information on WP6b: Transnational Access to IFM-GEOMAR-Indoor facility; presentation of the facility and science possibilities by Uli Sommer, IFM-GEOMAR.

1410-1430: Information on WP7: Transnational Access to the MEDIMEER facility; presentation of the facility and science possibilities by Behzad Mostajir, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS ECOLAG).

1430-1450: Information on WP9: Transnational Access to the Umeå Marine Sciences Centre; presentation of the facility and science possibilities by Ulf Båmstedt, UmU.

1450-1510: Coffee break

1510-1525: Information on WP8: Transnational Access to the CRETACOSMOS facility; a mesocosm facility under re-development - presentation of the laboratory and analytic facilities and mesocosm related science at HCMR by Vivi Pitta, HCMR.

1525-1540: Information on WP10: Transnational Access to the Kings Bay Marine Laboratory; a recently constructed mesocosm facility - presentation of the laboratory and analytic facilities by Bendik Eithun Halgunset, Kings Bay Marine Laboratory (KBML).

1540-1600: Examples of recent science and future possibilities with small-scale mesocosms installed at KBML, HCMR and elsewhere, Frede Thingstad, BIO, UoB.

1600-1620: Coffee break w/fruits and cake

1620-1650: Information on WP6a and WP11: Transnational Access to IFM-GEOMAR – KOSMOS facility; presentation of the facility and science possibilities and MESOAQUA-EPOCA cooperative testing of the seagoing KOSMOS system; presentation of the facility and discussion of different possible opportunities for implementation by Ulf Riebesell, Leibniz-Institut für Meereswissenschaften an der Universität Kiel (IFM-GEOMAR).

1650-1710: Information on WP12: Pan-European implementation and testing of the new lagrangian mesocosms platform (LAMP) in coastal and offshore conditions; presentation of the facility and implementation by Behzad Mostajir, CNRS ECOLAG.

1710-1800: Detailed implementation plan of the WP's and overall discussions.

1900: Dinner at Grand Hotel Terminus

Thu 12 Mar

0800: Airport buss leaves from buss station for Benni Hansen to reach the 1010 flight.

0830: Leaving Hotel Terminus to Espegrend, Aud Larsen and Jens Nejstgaard, will be driving a car (5 seats) and a mini buss (6 seats).

0900-1100: Tour of the Espegrend Field Station including the mesocosm facility, and possibility for further discussions of implementation of the WPs etc.

1100-1110: Transport to airport: Roger Harris (flight 1210), and possibly Ulf Båmstedt (ca 14), Celia Marrasse (?), Ulf Riebesell (?).

1100-1130: Transport back to Bergen for travelers leaving later: Bendik Halgunset, Ulrich Sommer (1740), Behzad Mosdajir and Emilie Le Floc'h (Fri 1210), Paraskevi Pitta and Tatiana Tsagaraki (Sat 0700)