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Network members and readers who now pay their fees for 5 years (total of € 20) will be provided membership discounts to EUCC conferences and events.

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1. EUCC Membership Survey 2006-'07

At their meetings in Gdansk (Littoral 2006) and Somme Bay (CoPraNet Final Event) the board of EUCC - The Coastal Union has set out the strategy of the organisation. The new strategy has very important implications for the way we will work with members and partners in the near future. Item 3 of the newsletter reports on some of the decisions.

The board wants to optimise EUCC Coastal News and our other e-newsletters, our websites, our magazine Coastline, our workshops and conferences, reaching an estimated 10,000 coastal and marine practitioners world wide.

We think improvements are possible in two ways:

- a) information provision and other services to members should be improved;
- b) members and non-members must be encouraged to distribute their messages through our newsletters, magazine, website and conferences.

The costs of our communication tools are very high and only a small part is covered by membership fees. The present level of services can only be ensured (and improved) through a closer involvement of key members and partners who are ready to pay a little extra for valuable services. To this end, we are looking for the most prominent coastal and marine institutions in Europe (and even world wide) who are interested to become EUCC's core network: we will provide special privileges re: information, communication and project participation; and we are also preparing thematic Networks of Excellence in different fields. This survey is a first step in this process.

Unfortunately most subscribers to EUCC's newsletters do not yet support us as (paying) members. EUCC's board and staff hope that we can count on all of you in the near future.

Please download EUCC's Membership Survey by clicking [here](http://www.eucc.net/en/membership_survey/index.htm) or at http://www.eucc.net/en/membership_survey/index.htm and return to [us](mailto:news@eucc.net), if possible no later than 20 November 2006.

2. From Littoral 2006 to Littoral 2008

At their meetings in September at Littoral 2006, the boards of EUCC and EUROCOAST have accepted the offer of CORILA and EUCC-Italy to host Littoral 2008 in Venice, most likely in late autumn 2008.

After three joint conferences of EUCC and EUROCOAST in 2002 (Porto), 2004 (Aberdeen) and 2006 (Gdansk), both organisations feel the need to reconsider the rules and format of the Littoral conference in order to deliver the best and most prestigious scientific coastal conference in Europe.

In the meantime, the boards have expressed their gratitude to the organisers of Littoral 2006 and their chairman prof. Tubielewicz in particular.

3. Strategic priorities for the EUCC, 2007-2008

At its meeting in Somme Bay, the EUCC Council adopted as main policy challenges for the period 2007-2008:

- a) active input into EU and OSPAR policy preparation and implementation re:
 - ❖ ICZM (EU Recommendation on ICZM and its future)
 - ❖ Natura 2000, EU Marine Strategy (Directive) and Marine Protected Areas
 - ❖ EU Maritime Policy (the Green Paper and its further development)
 - ❖ Climate change and the coast and marine environment (including special attention to safety, erosion, flooding)
 - ❖ Sustainable and socially responsible tourism (CoPraNet, QualityCoast)
- b) Consideration of the role of Integrated Marine and Coastal Area Management (IMCAM), an important concept of the Convention on Biological Diversity linking ICZM, EMS and Maritime Policy; and its value in the European context.

4. New options for Partnerships to EUCC

At its meeting in Somme Bay, 24 October, the EUCC Council has revised existing membership types and created two new ones: Communication Partner and Programme Partner. This decision has been taken as a result of two key concerns.

The first concern is related to our publications; with e-newsletters in 5 languages, websites, Coastline, report series and soon again a scientific journal) we reach an estimated 10,000 coastal and marine practitioners world wide. However, some of the publications are very expensive and they are insufficiently used by members. So it has been decided that Communication Partners and Programme Partners will be encouraged to consider Coastline and the newsletters also as their publications.

A second concern is that we would like to improve the quality of project partnerships and project fund raising by promoting cooperation with highly qualified and experienced partners. EUCC will encourage organisations and institutes that are in the mainstream of international coastal and marine expertise to agree on a Programme Partnership. With them we will discuss the creation of Networks of Excellence and they will also be co-publishers of Coastline magazine and newsletters and become preferential partners in international projects.

It is also important to note that governments can not be EUCC members but they can be Partners.

In addition to this, all members and non-members are actively encouraged to use Coastline to publish the results of their projects and programmes, on the basis of a limited page charge. In this way we will continue to publish Coastline as the leading European magazine on coastal and marine management.

EUCC Membership and Partnership Options as per 2007

Type of Membership / Partnership	Membership services
Friends of the Coast (private supporters) min. € 20/yr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUCC's e-newsletters (five language editions) • Kust&Zee Gids (in NL and Belgium)
Student & private members € 40 / yr, € €60 / 3yrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUCC's quarterly magazine Coastline • EUCC's e-newsletters (five language editions) • Kust&Zee Gids (in NL and Belgium)
Professional members € 65 / yr, € 100 / 3yrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUCC's quarterly magazine Coastline • EUCC's e-newsletters (five language editions) • Discounts to EUCC related conferences (e.g. Littoral) • Discounts to EUCC publications • Kust&Zee Gids (in NL and Belgium)
Small Non Governmental Organisations (annual budget less than €500,000) € 65 / yr, € 100 / 3yrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUCC's quarterly magazine Coastline • EUCC's e-newsletters (five language editions) • Discounts to EUCC related conferences (e.g. Littoral) • Discounts to EUCC publications • Kust&Zee Gids (in NL and Belgium)
Member Organisation € 300 / yr, € 500 / 3yrs	EXTRA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • information on project partner search • special access to the <i>Journal of Coastal Conservation</i> (under negotiation with Springer)
Communication Partner € 1000 / yr	EXTRA: Status of co-publisher of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastline (incl. editorial space up to 2 pages / yr) • EUCC Coastal News, EuroMed News or KustMail (incl. editorial space up to 2 pages / yr)
Programme Partner € 2000 / yr	EXTRA: Status of co-publisher of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastline (incl. editorial space up to 2 pages / yr) • EUCC Coastal News, EuroMed News or KustMail (incl. editorial space up to 2 pages / yr); • active participation in project partner search • joint EU project preparation and fund raising • collaboration in the representation at conferences • access to information from EUCC projects and conferences • free copy of Coastline Reports • special access to the <i>Journal of Coastal Conservation</i> (under negotiation with Springer) • joint promotion and market approach as "EUCC Network of Excellence"
Friends of the Coast Partner OR Partner to the Year of the Dolphin campaign € 2000 / yr	EXTRA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>joint promotion of the Friends of the Coast Campaign or Year of the Dolphin campaign 2007</i> • participation in project partner search • 1 page in Coastline or Coast&Sea Guide (per year) • 1 page in EUCC Coastal News, EuroMed News or KustMail (per year) • free copy of Coastline Reports • joint project preparation and fund raising

The 50% discount that was granted to members in developing countries will be abandoned as per 2007.

5. Call for help: Vacancies in EUCC Council and Committee

Since September the EUCC Council is meeting in its new composition, which can be seen in <http://www.eucc.net/en/index.htm>. In Spring 2007 the Council would like to appoint a new Executive Committee for the new term (2007-'08). As a result, various vacancies are announced, including:

EUCC President

EUCC International Secretary with the following tasks:

- ❖ organisation building in collaboration with EUCC members and national branches, incl. the creation of a strong European Economic Interest Grouping (EEIG)
- ❖ preparation and reporting of ExCom and Council meetings
- ❖ evaluation of EUCC's strategy and mission.

Several members of the EUCC Executive Committee, each with a different responsibility:

- ❖ Coastal policies & projects, ICZM, IMCAM, WFD
- ❖ Market oriented project development
- ❖ Communication & information
- ❖ Corporate and public fund raising.

During 2007 and 2008, all members of the Executive Committee should dispose of sufficient funding to attend two or three meetings per year in Leiden, Barcelona or Venice.

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