

Report: CarboNordic Startup Workshop

Thursday, May 18, - Friday, May 19, 2006 at IFM-GEOMAR, Kiel, Germany.

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To initiate a CarboNordic student exchange program between northern European countries, a 2-day startup workshop was held in Kiel, Germany on May 18 and 19, 2006. 7 guests, both teachers and scientists, from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden were met by German colleagues and students.

During the workshop, projects and activities already in place in the different locations were presented, and possible modes of cooperation discussed. The workshop program included a brief tour of the research institution IFM-GEOMAR, as well as a visit at the local partner school, Gymnasium Wellingdorf. Here, students at pre-university level, who had been working on science projects in cooperation with IFM-GEOMAR during the past months, presented their work in talks and posters.

On the second day of the program, a framework for a pilot phase of the CarboNordic cooperation was discussed that will serve as a basis for work in the first year of the project. Local contact teachers at every participating school were named, through which student application and the organization of individual exchanges will be managed.

The CarboSchools and BALTEX programs were identified as partner projects, in the framework of which scientific student exchanges should be possible.

After the workshop, a project outline was written which will be made available to all participants. This outline will continually be updated.

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