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The first deadline of the BeNCoRe Travel Grants has been reached and BeNCoRe had the pleasure to allocate Travel Grants to four Belgian coastal and marine scientists and practioners to attend ICZM and Coastal Research related activities across Europe. Congratulations!

At the same time, BeNCoRe starts the second launch of the BeNCoRe Travel Grants within the call 2006-2007. The next evaluation is foreseen for the end of April 2007. We invite all marine and coastal scientists, practioners and policy makers from BeNCoRe partner institutes to apply. Please keep in mind that one of the selection criteria is 'the first come, first serve principle'. More information about the procedure and attributed travel grants can be found at:

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## ENCORA launches reaction forum on the Green Paper on a future European Maritime Strategy

The Maritime Task Force has asked ENCORA to come with a reaction on the Green Paper on Maritime Policy. The Green Paper acts as a consulatation document among stakeholders – the Member States and citizens – to look at the oceans and seas in an integrated manner. In June 2006, the European Commission launched a year long consultation exercise on EU maritime policy in the document "Towards a future Maritime Policy for the Union: A European vision for the Oceans and Sea" – the EU Maritime Green Paper". The Maritime Green Paper is an extremely wide ranging discussion document, intended by the Commission to stimulate debate about the future direction and focus of the Community maritime policy. ENCORA now launches a forum on their website where everybody from the Network is invited to react on some aspects of the Green Paper.

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## VLIZ Young Scientist Day on the 2nd March 2007: a forum to show your research

VLIZ organises its 7th 'Young Scientist Day' on 2nd of March 2007! On this yearly event, 100-200 'young' marine scientists of the North Sea-region (mainly pre-and post-PhD's) come together and learn to know each other's work in an informal and interdisciplinary meeting. You and your coworkers/students can actively participate in the afternoon poster- and demonstration session. The posters presented, and inscribed as abstracts before the 30th of January 2007, automatically participate in the poster contest. Please, send the title, auteur(s) and English abstract to <a href="mailto:info@vliz.be">info@vliz.be</a>. The abstracts are published as a VLIZ Special Publication. Registration deadline is 3th of February 2007. Weblink: <a href="http://www.bencore.be/index.php?page=event-show&id=70&mid=26">http://www.bencore.be/index.php?page=event-show&id=70&mid=26</a>

Exciting research opportunity in ocean mathematical model development at the Liege University The Interfacultary Center for Marine Research, Liege University announces an opening position for a PHD in ocean mathematical modelling. Applicants are invited for a 3 year PhD fellowship under the EU Integrated Project SESAME (Southern European Seas: Assessing and Modelling Ecosystem Changes). The successful candidate will collaborate with a team of scientist from the fields of oceanography, atmospheric sciences, mathematical and numerical modelling and marine biogeochemistry.

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