

## CoCoNet

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## Coastal Communities Network



*Towards  
Integrated Coastal  
Management (ICM) in the  
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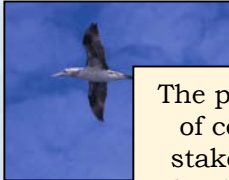


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This project aims to develop a network of community stakeholders with an interest in sustainable management of their local coastal resources. Stakeholders will include local community interest groups such as fishing organisations, tourist operators, teachers, aquaculturists, conservationists, shipping operators, property developers and others.



The participation of community stakeholders is fundamental to CoCoNet's success.



As countries bordering the Southern Irish Sea, Ireland and Wales share experiences associated with economic growth in coastal areas and related environmental and social impacts. CoCoNet aims to develop a platform for dialogue and relationship building among coastal communities dealing with these issues.

## Objectives



- To establish a **network** and to facilitate **communication** between different interest groups;
- To explore mechanisms to provide coastal communities with a real sense of **participation** and **involvement** in the future management of the coastal and marine area.

The CoCoNet project seeks to increase understanding of marine and coastal issues and potential management solutions in the Southern Irish Sea (INTERREG IIIA area) and provide stakeholders with opportunities to learn from other proactive groups.



## Workshops

Three workshops will be held during the project in 2004.

<b>Workshop 1</b> Ireland January 30 <sup>th</sup> /31 <sup>st</sup>	Evaluation of Integrated Coastal Management (ICM) in the study region
<b>Workshop 2</b> Wales April 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup>	Evaluation of models & experience of stakeholder participation
<b>Workshop 3</b> Ireland June 11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup>	Further development (Co-hosted with CZM-Net)

The workshops will include informative presentations on topics relating to coastal management issues. The workshops will also provide opportunities for interactive discussion on topics relating to coastal management as well as local field excursions.

Further details will be posted on the website <http://coconet.ucc.ie>

Registration for the workshops can be made by contacting the CoCoNet researchers. Spaces are limited and will be on a first come basis.