

MARE Conference People and the Sea IV: Who Owns the Coast?

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The Centre for Maritime Research (MARE) at the University of Amsterdam announces People and the Sea IV: Who Owns the Coast? As coastal populations and economies expand and the use of marine and coastal resources intensifies, governance has become an issue of key concern.

In the past decades, international gatherings have recognized space (such as the Law of the Sea) set new policy agendas (such as for integrated coastal zone management) and acted to protect key resources (such as by establishing marine parks and Ramsar sites). This has altered the ownership and the distribution of rights to resources at local and national levels. Who wins and loses as regimes of resources allocation shift? How can competing claims and objectives be recognized and balanced in governance?

Such questions are addressed in four conference themes:

1. Governance
2. Space & Ownership
3. Culture & Work Worlds
4. Innovation in Research Approaches

Keynote addresses will be delivered by:

- Daniel W. Bromley, Anderson-Bascom Professor of Applied Economics of the University of Wisconsin-Madison;
- Bonnie J. McCay, Professor in the Department of Human Ecology, Rutgers University, and;
- Yoshiaki Matsuda, Professor in the Faculty of Fisheries, Kagoshima University.

Call for papers

Panels will be 1.5 hours in length and should contain three paper presentations. All panel proposals and paper and poster abstracts must be submitted electronically along with the conference pre-registration form available from November 2006 at www.marecentre.nl. The deadline for panel and abstract submission is January 12, 2007.

The conference fee is €275. Up to twenty graduate students who have been accepted for paper presentations will be given a reduced fee of €100. We strive to provide support to participants from developing countries. Once your abstract has been accepted we expect that you will attend the conference, therefore conference fees will be charged accordingly. In case you might want to withdraw your paper, we have to ask you to do that within one week after the acceptance of your abstract.

For more information about the conference see www.marecentre.nl. Queries may be directed to conference@marecentre.nl

