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BONUS Day of the Baltic Sea Summit will soon interview you

To support the high level Baltic Sea Action Summit (www.bsas.fi) and the BONUS Day (www.bonusday.fi, page opens 17.11.2009), the major BONUS stakeholders are arranging a web interview on the use of research as a base for policy decisions.

The interview is a joint effort of the Academy of Finland, BONUS EEIG and Baltic Sea Action Group in cooperation with the main Baltic Sea research institutes. We will invite over 800 key players in the Baltic Sea Region to share their ideas and visions on science - policy links. You will soon receive an invitation to the interview. Please, give your contribution to these important events!

- Markku Mattila, president of the Academy of Finland

Major milestone of BONUS cooperation - BONUS-169 proposal adopted

The European Commission has adopted a proposal on a Joint Baltic Sea Research Programme ('BONUS-169') to be implemented during 2010-2016. The proposal has now been submitted to the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament. In order to see the proposal, Google with 'COM(2009)610 final 2009/0169 (COD)'. The Commission proposes to contribute € 50 million to a joint research investment with eight EU Baltic Sea Member States (Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Sweden). The € 100 million programme will provide a framework for the coordination of their environmental research for better management of the Baltic Sea.

BONUS Annual Conference 2010 registration is open!

The next BONUS Conference will be held in Vilnius, Lithuania on 19-21.1.2010. The call for abstracts and the conference registration have been opened in the BONUS Portal at www.bonusportal.org/ac2010. The abstract submission **deadline is 20.11.2009** and the deadline for conference registration is **30.11.2009**. The online accommodation reservation at the Reval Hotel Lietuva website has also been opened, room reservations can be made with the reference code "BONUS2010".

The Conference programme will be built on the four main thematic sessions:

- Theme 1: Building the knowledge-based governance and management of the Baltic Sea;
- Theme 2: Understanding processes and assessing the status of the Baltic Sea;
- Theme 3: A system of catchment – coast – sea continuum; and
- Theme 4: Assessing future development of the Baltic Sea and uncertainties of projections.

The conference will also feature several invited lectures by authorities on topics relevant to BONUS.

Progress Report on the EU's Integrated Maritime Policy

EurOcean Newsletter's 29 October issues informed about the [Progress Report on the EU's Integrated Maritime Policy](#) and posted several interesting job offers and events. EurOcean NL may be subscribed through eurocean@fct.mctes.pt.

best regards,

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