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## The RIOS Workshop

Portugal, April 17-19, 2008

Reducing the Impact of Oil Spills

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## PROGRAMME

### Thursday – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2008

12H00-13H00 Registration

13H00 – 14H00 Lunch

14H00 – 14H20 Welcome Speeches

- Portuguese Government Official
- President Zoomarine

14H20 – 16H00 Introduction Session

- Claudia Jesus-Rydin, Nordeconsult, SE  
The RIOS project: objectives, activities and expected results.
- Javier Peinado, European Commission DG Research  
European funding opportunities
- Hugo Nijkamp, Sea Alarm, B  
Introduction to the workshop programme

15H20 – 16H00 Coffee Break

16H00 – 17H00 Session: Key note addresses

- Kathi Stanzel, ITOPF, UK (to be confirmed)  
The role of science in oil spills response
- Ed Levine, NOAA, US  
Oiled Wildlife Response: and emerging scientific field

17H00 – 17H30 Session: Contingency planning

- Hugo Nijkamp, Sea Alarm, B

Oiled wildlife preparedness and planning in Europe

Discussion

20H00 Workshop Dinner (to be confirmed)

**Friday – 18th April 2008**

9H00-10H30 Session: Vulnerability mapping

- Kees Camphuysen, Royal NIOZ, NL  
Evaluating the vulnerability of marine areas in terms of sensitivity to oil pollution
- Cathrine Spikkerud, DNV, NO  
Challenges in the use of vulnerability maps in oil spill response and planning
- Vanessa Oliveira, SPEA, PT  
Mapping marine birds populations with limited data

10H30-11H15 Coffee Break + “organised” tour to the exhibition/posters area

11H15-12H15 Session: Preventing animals of getting oiled

- Mike Ziccardi, Oiled Wildlife Care Network, US  
The science behind hazing
- Curt Clumper, IBRRC, US  
Pre-emptive capture as a response option

Debate

Elio Vicente, Zoomarine  
Introduction to the Rehabilitation Centre visit (after lunch)

12H30 – 13H30 Lunch

13H30 – 14H00 Visit to Rehabilitation centre

14H00 – 16H00 Session: Rehabilitation of oiled wildlife

- Mike Ziccardi, Oiled Wildlife Care Network, US  
Avian rehabilitation methods
- Thierry Jauniaux, BMM/MUMM, B  
Rehabilitation of oiled marine mammals: an assessment
- Pascual Calabuig, E  
Risk of oil pollution of sea turtles in the Mediterranean and rehabilitation aspects

Debate

16H00 – 16H30 Coffee Break

16H30 – 17H30 Session: Post Release survival

- Mark Grantham, BTO, UK  
Monitoring post-release survival of rehabilitated birds
- Tim Thomas, RSPCA, UK  
The use of coloured rings in rehabilitated birds

Debate

17H30 – 18H30 Session: Impact Assessment

- Kees Camphuysen, Royal NIOZ, NL  
Assessing the impact of accidental oil spills and chronic oil pollution
- Greg Robertson, Canadian Wildlife Service, Canada  
Assessing the impact of oil spills on seabirds: the importance of drift experiments and population modelling

Debate

20H00 Gala Dinner at Zoomarine

### **Saturday – 19<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

9H00-10H00 Session: Essence of Networks and their coordination

- Hugo Nijkamp, Sea Alarm, B  
The need for structural European coordination on oiled wildlife response
- Elio Vicente, Zoomarine, PT  
The frugal managing of the meagre resources of small countries – the Portuguese example

Debate

10H00-10H30 Coffee Break

10H30 – 11H20 Session: Conclusions

- Hugo Nijkamp, Sea Alarm, B  
Main achievements
- Claudia Jesus-Rydin, Nordeconsult, SE  
Action Plan: Meeting the needs for research and development for oiled wildlife response

11H20 – 12H00

Panel: Partners, Experts, Key-note speakers (to be confirmed)  
Concluding discussion open to the audience

Closing address by Elio, Zoomarine, PT