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Wadden Sea Board (WSB 32)

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Agenda Item:	5.1 World Heritage
Subject:	Draft Roadmap - Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation
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Submitted by:	CWSS on behalf of the ad hoc WG Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation

The WSB will find attached a draft road map for the establishment of a Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation (TWF) towards the 14th Trilateral Governmental Conference in November 2022. It is aimed to establish the TWF in time before the 14th TGC to launch it at the 14th TGC and announce the first projects to be funded.

Proposal: The WSB is invited to

- acknowledge and discuss the attached draft roadmap for the establishment of a TWF **in particular**
- agree on the proposed time line to set up a roadmap for the establishment of a TWF

Draft Roadmap to establish a Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation

The ad hoc Working Group Trilateral Wadden Sea Foundation has held 4 meetings since its establishment in August 2020.

Based on the draft statutes presented by the German delegation at WSB 31, the group discussed and further developed the draft statutes towards a more concise approach. The group also discussed first details for the Rules of Procedure (by-law) and the Funding Guideline.

Being both an offer and a prerequisite for private sponsors and donors from various sectors and businesses to engage in the protection of the Wadden Sea World Heritage in various ways, the Foundation could also contribute to the financing of respective projects and initiatives with a view to the further development of the Partnership Hub, which raises increasing interest by established and potential partners.

As there are still some outstanding issues and details to be clarified, the ad hoc Group developed the attached proposal for a roadmap on the establishment of the Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation. According to this roadmap, the ad hoc WG will present a first agreed draft of the statutes to WSB 33 in August 2021 for discussion and decision on how to proceed. WSB 34 in November 2021 will discuss the final draft statutes for approval to start national consultations. The aim is the inception of the Foundation in Summer 2022, in time for the Trilateral Governmental Conference in November 2022.

Attached:
Draft Roadmap

Draft Roadmap TWF

for the establishment of the Trilateral Wadden Sea World Heritage Foundation

Date	Activity
4 th March 2021	WSB 32: Adoption of Roadmap
March to August 2021	Ad hoc WG TWF: further development of Statutes, Funding Guidelines and Rules of Procedure
27 th August 2021	WSB 33: Discussion on draft Statutes and decision on further proceeding, Ad hoc WG TWF: Presentation drafts Funding Guidelines and Rules of Procedure
18 th November 2021	WSB 34: Approval of draft Statutes for national consultation
Until end February 2022	National Consultations of Draft Statutes (i.a. Consultation Advisory Boards of the German Länder and on Federal Level)
15 th March 2022	WSB agrees on Statutes for approval by State Parties
15 th July 2022	Final approval by DK, NL, DE Federal and Länder)
End of July 2022	WSB: Adoption of Final Statutes
November 2022	Official Launch Foundation at 14 th Trilateral Governmental Conference (TGC), Wilhelmshaven