

IOC/UNEP review meeting on oceanographic processes of transfer and distribution of pollutants in the sea, Zagreb, 15—18 May 1989

The IOC/UNEP Review Meeting on Oceanographic Processes of Transfer and Distribution of Pollutants in the Sea took place in the Center for Marine Research of the Ruđer Bošković Institute. The Meeting was opened by Mr. M. Kuzmić, who welcomed participants from eight Mediterranean countries. Dr. Lj. Jeftić, from the UNEP/MAP Office in Athens, then welcomed the participants on behalf of the Executive Director of UNEP (Dr. Mustafa Tolba) and the Secretary of IOC (Dr. Gunnar Kullenberg). Dr D. Hršak, director of the Center for Marine Research, greeted the participants on behalf of the host institution.

Reflecting the objectives of the Meeting, i.e. the presentation and discussion of current research in a part of the MEDPOL programme, 21 papers were presented. They all dealt with physical and geochemical processes in the sea and sediments. The importance of mesoscale eddies and gyres in the open sea, wind-driven currents and upwelling events in the coastal zone, and thermohaline processes in semi-enclosed bays and estuaries for transport, mixing and dispersal of pollutants has been recognized. An estimation of riverine and atmospheric inputs of different pollutants in the Western Mediterranean has been discussed. Furthermore, reports on 2 ongoing nationally and internationally coordinated projects (MEDMODEL and EROS 2000) have been presented. Despite noticeable background differences among the participants, the presentations triggered response from the audience and prompted exchange of ideas. Recognizing the importance of physical oceanographic studies in investigations of transfer and distribution of pollutants, and considering the importance of interdisciplinary and multilateral cooperation, the Meeting ended by adopting several recommendations. In particular, integration of large scale physical oceanographic programmes with specific programmes concentrated on the shelf seas has been strongly recommended. A more intense interdisciplinary approach in selected areas, such as enclosed bays and estuaries (the Northern Adriatic basin, the Kaštela Bay, the Krka River Estuary, the Izmir Bay, the Nile Estuary, the Abukir Bay and similar sites), was also strongly recommended.

The report, including presentation abstracts and recommendations, has been prepared and should soon be published in the IOC/UNESCO Workshop Reports Series.

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Minutes from the annual meeting of the Editorial Board of „Geofizika“

The meeting was held at the Geophysical Institute, Zagreb, on 5 June 1990, with the following agenda:

- 1) Report on Vol. 6 (1989)
- 2) Financial report for the year 1989

- 3) The acceptance of manuscripts for Vol. 7 (1990)
- 4) Financial plan for the year 1990
- 5) Preparation of Vol. 8
- 6) Election of new members of the Editorial Board
- 7) A.O.B.

Dr. Mirko Orlić, Editor-in-chief, opened the meeting and reported on the work done for the publication of Vol. 6 of „Geofizika“ since the last meeting. After that, A. Igrec presented the financial report, which was unanimously accepted.

D. Herak informed the members of the Board about the current status of papers submitted for publication in „Geofizika“: Vol. 7 will contain 3 original scientific papers, 1 review paper, 1 short communication, 2 professional papers and a number of appendices. After examining the reviews, the members of the Board approved of the papers' classification and formally accepted them for publication.

According to the report of the Institute of Information Sciences, the journal „Geofizika“ was categorized in the highest class of journals sponsored by the Community of Sciences of SR Croatia. It has been estimated that stable financial support allows some improvements in the quality of print.

It was proposed by Dr. M. Orlić to include the English translation of Dr. A. Mohorovičić's classic paper from 1910 into the next volume of „Geofizika“. The proposal was accepted.

Dr. N. Pleško was introduced as a new member of the Editorial Board and D. Herak as Secretary of „Geofizika“.

In order to ensure the widest possible reception of the papers, it has been agreed by the members of the Editorial Board to encourage authors to submit their contributions in English, since „Geofizika“ is now being received by 250 foreign institutions on all continents.

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