

Bremen Criteria

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apply for partnership projects between ZMT and developing countries and economies in transition in marine and coastal research,

contribute to the safeguarding of sustainable development on social and ecological levels consistent with the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations,

are a living document that carries the essence of over 20 years of collaboration and that will continue to reflect standards of a sustainable research practice.

Under the Bremen Criteria, ZMT is committed that partnership programmes provide

- a significant contribution to a scientifically important theme, and fostering of long-lasting scientific relations,
- bi- and multilateral planning and execution, fully recognizing the scientific and societal wishes, competencies and other potentials of the host country. The incorporation of expertise available at various institutes from both sides respectively as well as full participation and recognition of young scientists is wanted,
- a major contribution to strengthening the scientific capacity in the host country and its region, and full integration into the scientific structures and universities of the host country,
- projects of long duration (1-2 decades) with regular mid-term evaluations and firm long-term financial commitment with contribution from the host country,
- links to regional and global programmes - so both partners can also fulfil international obligations via such partnership projects,
- exchange of knowledge with non-scientific stakeholders throughout and beyond research projects and in collaboration with local partners,
- unrestricted exchange of data and storage of data in international data banks,
- joint publications, preferably in international journals, and joint participation in international conferences and workshops, including participation of young scientists.

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