Agenda for the 25th meeting of the Ocean Facilities Exchange Group (OFEG)

Meeting to be held in Kiel on the 3rd December 2010.

Attendees: Helen Beadman, Arturo Castellon, Jean-Xavier Castrec, Juanjo Danobeitia, Colin

Day, Tom-Ole Drange, Terje Hindenes, Erica Koning, Klas Lackschewitz, Olivier

Lefort, Barbara Tanner

Meeting place: IFM-GEOMAR, East-Shore Building, Technology and Logistics Center

Building 14 - Wischhofstraße 1-3, Kiel

Welcome & introductions

There will be a combined OFEG and OFEG-TECH dinner on the evening of the 2^{nd} December – time and venue to be confirmed.

The meeting will start at 0800hrs and finish no later than 1500hrs

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3 OFEG-TECH: activity and equipment pooling updates Day

• Outcome of OFEG-TECH meeting

• Implementation of the NERC-CSIC geophysics partnership

4 EUROFLEETS: OFEG status within EUROFLEETS, report of Danobeitia the EUROFLEETS general assembly and consequences for OFEG.

New regional vessels group, overlap with OFEG?

Beadman

5 Joint German – French Alliance for Underwater Technologies Lefort/Lackschewitz for Marine Sciences (European Research Group = ERG)

6 OFEG members: 2011 capital investment plans All partners

7 Report on fleet and major equipment changes All partners

8 Feedback on recent and planned barter cruises (incl. any clearance All partners issues)

9 Up-date on OFEG cruise programmes in 2011 and 2010 All partners

10 New barter & training berth opportunities All partners

11 Up-date of the OFEG activity document and barter balances All partners

12 Revision of OFEG ship deployment information All partners

- 13 Any Other Business
 - Contact details
 - Future meetings

Standard Information Papers

Information Paper 1 – Proposed Barter Cruises

Information Paper 2 – Ship Telephone Contact Numbers

Information Paper 3 – OFEG Fleet Renewal Roadmap

Meeting dates

The Group has two meetings a year: a two-day meeting in the Spring and a one-day meeting in the Autumn. The date(s) for meetings are set well in advance to ensure that as many members as possible can attend. Meeting dates can only be changed at late notice if all members can attend on the proposed new date(s) and no one is financially disadvantaged by the change.

Future meeting venues/dates: France (Spring 2011)

UK (Autumn 2011), including OFEG-TECH

Barter exchange enquires protocol:

Barter exchange enquires should only come from OFEG members (see contact details above), and any barter exchange enquiries from members of the science community should be directed back to the appropriate national OFEG member.