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CONFERENCE INVITATION

The Thünen Institute of Fisheries Ecology (FI) and the Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research (AWI) invite you to participate in the Open Day event of the 4th CHEMSEA project conference on 1st of March 2013 in Hamburg, Germany. The conference will be held in English.

CHEMSEA (CHemical Munitions SEarch & Assessment) is a cooperation of leading scientific institutes and maritime decision makers, established in order to assess and minimise risks related to sea-bottom activities near chemical munitions' dumping sites in the Baltic Sea. It is an applied-science international project with partners from Poland, Sweden, Finland, Lithuania, and Germany.

The project aims to identify the most relevant bottom areas in the Baltic Sea contaminated with chemical warfare agents (CWA). The project will provide stakeholders and administrations with guidelines for handling of sediments contaminated with CWA or their degradation products, and assess the probability, range and ecological consequences of CWA release from dumped munitions.

This conference will be crucial for informing about project approach and activities, as well as a good opportunity for a get-together of main German and international stakeholders. We welcome your contribution in this discussion!

Respectfully yours,

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