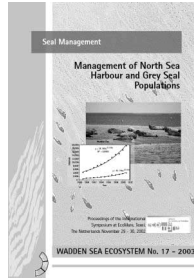


## Seal Management

CWSS 2003. Management of North Sea Harbour Seal Populations. Proceedings of the International Symposium at EcoMare, Texel, The Netherlands, November 29 - 30, 2002. Wadden Sea Ecosystem No. 17. Common Wadden Sea Secretariat, Wilhelmshaven, 63 p.



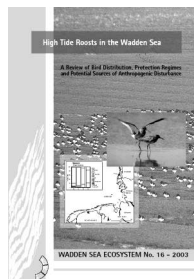
At the International Symposium at EcoMare on Texel, new research developments with regard to management of harbour and grey seal populations were discussed in relationship to the trilateral Seal Management Plan 2002 - 2006, which was adopted at the last Ministerial Wadden Sea Conference in Esbjerg in 2001. The participants addressed management policies for the seal populations as well as the role of research, information, education and seal rehabilitation.

During the preparation of the symposium, the second outbreak of the PDV epizootic among harbour seals occurred. First research results of this outbreak were included in the symposium.

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## Roosting Birds

Koffijberg, K., J. Blew, K. Eskildsen, K. Günther, B. Koks, K. Laursen, L.-M. Rasmussen, P. Potel, P. Südbeck, 2003. High Tide Roosts in the Wadden Sea. A Review of Bird Distribution, Protection Regimes and Potential Sources of Anthropogenic Disturbance. A Report of the Wadden Sea Plan Project 34. Wadden Sea Ecosystem No. 16. Common Wadden Sea Secretariat, Wilhelmshaven, 120 p.

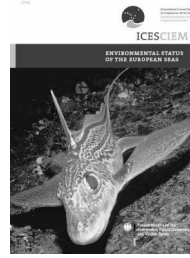


The report is published by the TMAP Joint Monitoring Group of Migratory Birds in the Wadden Sea (JMBB) and addresses the Wadden Sea Plan Project 34 regarding high tide roosts in the Wadden Sea. The aim of the project, which was carried out under the leadership of the Netherlands, was to investigate the status of high tide roosts for migratory waterbirds in the trilateral Wadden Sea in relation to the necessity of undisturbed roosting sites for these species. The report consists of a detailed overview of the distribution of waterbirds during high tide, and an inventory of protection regimes and potential sources of anthropogenic disturbance for each site.

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## Environmental Status of the European Seas

ICES 2003. Environmental Status of the European Sea. A Quality Status Report prepared by ICES for the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety. 75 pages.



As a basis for the first joint meeting at the OSPAR and HELCOM Commissions in Bremen in June 2003 and to inform the public, a report on the status of European Seas has been prepared by ICES and the German Federal Environmental Ministry.

In four sections, the authors provide an overview of the individual areas, the status of the seas with regard to, a.o., biodiversity, habitats, fish stocks, seabirds and marine mammals, human impacts on marine biodiversity and a summary of key messages with regard to climate change, fisheries, nutrient enrichment, contaminants, shipping, coastal zone and marine biodiversity.

The report can be downloaded at the ICES Homepage (<http://www.ices.dk>).

## Lights at the Horizon

Voss, J. 2003. Lichter am Horizont – Leuchttürme zwischen Tag und Nacht. Edition Maritim, Hamburg, 144 p, EUR 22,90, ISBN 3-89225-482-6.



Lighthouses are part of the culture of the coasts of the world. Beside typical landmarks or steeples they have always served as navigation points in dangerous coastal waters. This function has nowadays become less important and navigation systems like GPS has taken over this role. Several lighthouses have already been switched off. Nevertheless lighthouses have a charisma attracting water-based observers and landlubbers likewise.

Jürgen Voss has gathered more than 100 lighthouse pictures along the coasts of the world shown on a fascinating colour picture during the "blue hour" around twilight. Every lighthouse location is shown on a map together with geographic position, navigational identification and height together with the year of construction and specific aspects of each building. This book will fascinate each of you who belongs on the coast and feels the cultural aspects of its landscape. It is a nice present for friends of coastal waters as well as sailors and skippers. Hopefully this book will highlight the value of lighthouses along our Wadden Sea coast and their strong relationship not only to the shipping society but also for tourist purposes. (Martin Stock)