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Title picture: Container ship in the Kiel Fjord

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Exploiting Economic Potential

The 21st century will be the century of the seas. They play a crucial role for our climate, as a unique ecosystem, and as an important business factor. The maritime economy and maritime research are among the Schleswig-Holstein's principal strengths.

The maritime economy accounts for around 8.5 percent of Schleswig-Holstein's GDP.

88 million tonnes of cargo were shipped through the Kiel Canal in 2005, an increase of 9% over the previous year.

Lübeck is Germany's largest Baltic Sea port with a cargo turnover of more than 27 million tonnes in 2005.

With the "Sea our Future" initiative, the Land Government of Schleswig-Holstein has adopted an integrated approach to promoting the growth of the local economic and scientific base.

The initiative supports businesses and research institutes in the development of new technologies and marketable products. The goal is to gain international brand-recognition for Schleswig-Holstein's maritime economy.



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Maritime Projects

The "Sea our Future" initiative includes a number of different projects, all illustrating the effective collaboration between science and business in Schleswig-Holstein.

Two current projects which have been supported by the Land Government, partly from its Schleswig-Holstein Fund for economic development, are the establishment of a Centre for Marine Compounds Research and the establishment of a North Sea Monitoring System.



Preparing to launch Jago, the manned submersible of the Leibniz Institute for Marine Sciences, Kiel.

Maritime Networks for the Future.



Prof Dr Peter M. Herzig,
Maritime Coordinator
for Schleswig-Holstein

Ocean Monitoring System

Project has brought together businesses and research institutes to develop an offshore and shore-based monitoring system for the North Sea. Disaster management, environmental protection and maritime safety are just some of the fields that will benefit from access to real-time data.

Further information: www.ocean-monitoring.com

Centre for Marine Compounds Research

The goal of the new research centre is to discover and exploit therapeutically active compounds derived from marine sources. This will benefit both medical treatment and the pharmaceutical and cosmetics industries.

For more information: www.ifm-geomar.de