HOSTING PROTOCOL

between

EurOcean - European Centre for Information on Marine Science and Technology, hereinafter referred to as EurOcean through its legal representation the EurOcean Foundation / Fundação EurOcean

and

Foundation for Science and Technology / Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia hereinafter referred to as FCT

Recognising that:

EurOcean is a European centre for information on marine science and technology and is legally represented by the EurOcean Foundation.

The object of EurOcean is to develop information exchange and derived products in the field of marine sciences and technologies between a wide range of governmental and non-governmental bodies, with a view of building up a comprehensive panorama on the state of research activities and related resources, thus enhancing the development of a Marine European Research Area.

The functions of EurOcean are to:

- facilitate access to, compile and process appropriate information on marine sciences and technologies;
- stimulate the development and use of quantitative indicators related to marine science and technology;
- facilitate communication between European research organisations having activities in marine science and technology;
- prepare analyses, reports and other products, in accordance with the requirements of the members of EurOcean, partner organisations and other appropriate organisations.

Have agreed as follows:

Location

FCT as hosting organisation makes available, free of charge, the premises of EurOcean, to be of a three cabinets for six persons and allows access to the meeting rooms of its headquarters.

The premises shall be equipped with all cabling required for the proper electronic and computer-based functioning of the equipment installed or to be installed and EurOcean is allowed to use the IT network infrastructure, including the installation of servers.
FCT provides the office furniture, the office consumables as well as phone and post mail services.

**Advisory Support**

EurOcean gives FCT privileged access to its information on marine and maritime science and technology issues at national and European level.

EurOcean puts at the service of FCT its knowledge as advisers in European marine and maritime issues.

**Staff**

FCT agrees to second staff to EurOcean on the basis of two (2) science and technology management fellowships.

The staff seconded by FCT will be placed under the authority of the Executive Director of EurOcean.

**Financial support**

FCT will annually contribute to the budget of EurOcean, for the next four (4) years, as shown in the table below:

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**Final Dispositions**

The terms of the Protocol are valid for duration of four years except for the terms for which it is specified otherwise.

The terms of the Protocol may be revised by the Parties on mutual agreement.

**Dispute Resolution**

The Parties will negotiate and cooperate with each other in good faith to resolve any disputes or conflicts that arise in connection with this Protocol.

Done, in Lisbon

On the 1st of June 2009

João Sentieiro  
(Foundation for Science and Technology)

Per Nieuwejaar  
(EurOcean Foundation)