

DEVOTES



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Development of innovative tools for understanding marine biodiversity and assessing good environmental status

Deliverable 7.1. Website homepage with restricted area for WP8 project administration

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1. DEVOTES WEBSITE

1.1. Content of deliverable

This deliverable is composed of the following elements:

- a public internet website available at the URL: <http://www.devotes-project.eu/>
- a restricted area for partners of the project available at the URL: <http://www.devotes-project.eu/partners-area>
- a restricted area of the website for the coordinator available.
- a document that briefly describes the website (this document).

1.2. Public website

1.2.1 Introduction

The infrastructure for the DEVOTES Project is provided by Ecoreach (Partner 22). The web site was designed jointly by Ecoreach s.r.l. and AZTI (Partner 1).

An initial version of the website has been designed in October 2012 (taking into account EU rules for project websites) and its improvement has been discussed during the kick-off meeting of the project (held on 6-9 November 2012, Palma de Majorca, Spain).

The DEVOTES website (<http://www.devotes-project.eu/>) has been developed at Ecoreach in close collaboration with AZTI and published – as a home page only – at day 1 of the project (1st November 2012). Since then, it is continually evolving and increasingly serving as the key information source for both project partners and external visitors.

The home page (Fig. 1) provides a short introduction to the project and includes the following sections:

- **About the project:** on this page will be briefly described the main goals and activities of the DEVOTES project. A dedicated section to the description of each partner (with logos and links institutional website) and a dedicated section to the description of the DEVOTES project structure are under construction and will be soon included (“Partners involved” and “Work Packages”).

- **News and Events:** this page will show general news and events about the project. Meetings, workshop and the reviewed public deliverables will be announced in this section. Conferences on topics related to the project and other projects linked to DEVOTES and deliverables release dates will be shown in a dedicated sub-page (“Calendar”). Moreover, a section about vacancies and job opportunities is already included and will be soon fueled.

- **Research outputs:** this section will list research papers produced by the project, public deliverables released during the project, open-access software and tools developed during the project. A link to the download page is already included.

- **Education and Training:** this page will include information about summer schools and educational events that will be organized during DEVOTES project.

- **Media Center:** this area will include all downloadable material that will be produced and developed during the DEVOTES project: pictures, videos, podcasts and promotional material, etc.

- **Discussion area:** this area – eventually open to stakeholders - will be dedicated to specific fora.

- **Partners’ area:** this password-restricted page allows to access the collaborative website used for partnership internal communication (see below for more details).

- **Useful Links:** Relevant links about the scientific domains covered in the project will be listed here.

The additional horizontal navigation bar includes links to WIKI, Site Map, Contacts and Text version of the DEVOTES website. This navigation bar is placed on the right of the web site header.

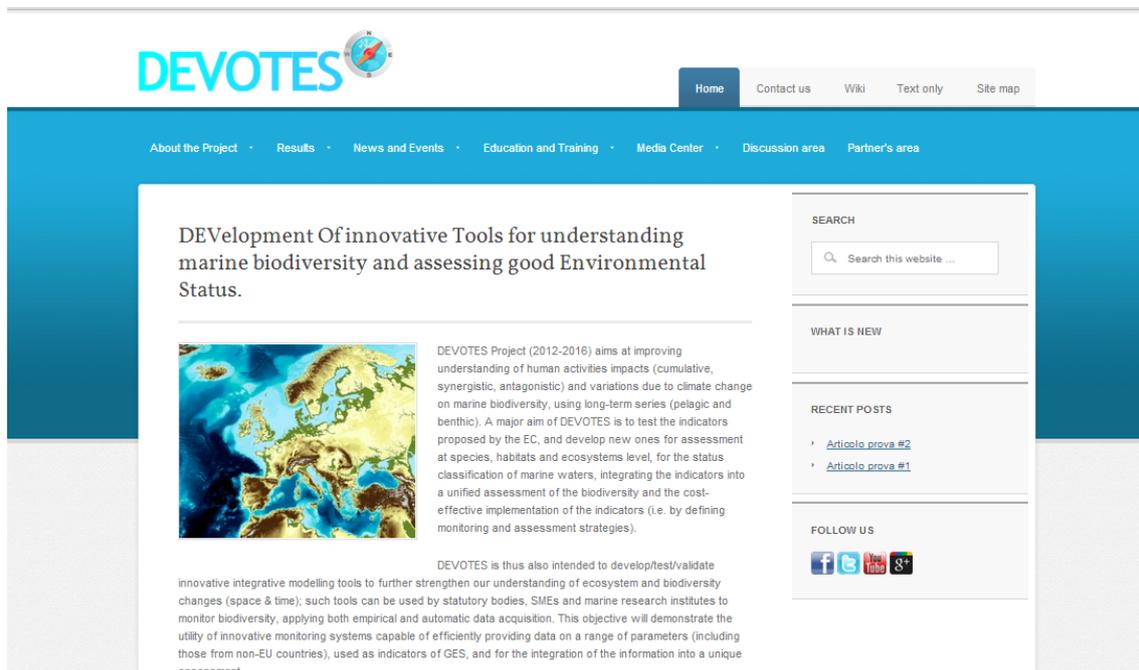


Figure 1. Home Page of DEVOTES project website.

1.2.2 Administration

The web site is based on WordPress which is a web applications intended to create a web site or blog. A detailed description of the functionalities provided by WordPress can be found on the documentation available at http://codex.wordpress.org/Main_Page.

1.3. Restricted Area for Partners

The role of the Restricted Area for partners is to have a secure and private place to share documents and information among partners.

The collaborative website is totally private and a password is mandatory to have an access to it.

This area includes the following sections:

- **Annual meetings**, showing all DEVOTES meetings' agenda

- **Management**, including contract information, reports and deliverables and a sub-page (**Templates**) that includes templates for presentations, deliverables, minutes meeting and agenda
- **Library**: this section will includes scientific publications about the project topic

1.4. Restricted Area for the coordinator

The DEVOTES website is managed by Ecoreach s.r.l. in close cooperation with the project coordinator (AZTI). The responsible persons can change the layout and content of both the public and the private section of the DEVOTES website to ensure its usefulness and workability. Access to the website administration interface is limited to the project coordinator, and selected staff at Ecoreach. Moreover, a FTP server has been created to allow all partners sharing documents with the coordinator. The FTP server is available at the ULR <ftp://www.devotes-project.eu/htdocs/shared/> and is a password-protected area.

2. Conclusions

The project website will continuously evolve and develop as the project itself matures. The DEVOTES webpage provides the necessary function to act as dissemination tool, internal networking platform and working and discussion space and information resource. The coordinator and Ecoreach will continue to manage, extend and improve its usability and functions as needed throughout the project duration.