

The two day conference organized by the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research took place on 14-15/11/2011. The meeting triggered the debate on marine research perspectives in Greece which will be held electronically in a special forum [<http://declaration.hcmr.g/forum>]. Through the debate which will last until February 2012, organizers as well as participants aim at redacting a Declaration addressed to the Greek society, the Greek State on the future of marine research in Greece which will officially be presented during the 10th Pan-Hellenic Symposium of Oceanography and Fisheries next year (Athens, 07-11/05/2012). EKePEK participates in the ad-hoc Working Group in charge to compose the Declaration.