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Our Popup Information booth



received a lot of interest

What could be more motivating for researchers than people gathering around a ship and a booth to discuss microplastic detection and pollution in our waters? We were overwhelmed by the interest of the passersby during our stay on the research vessel Alkor in Sønderborg. The people were concerned about the pollution of the ocean with plastics and they could learn about some of the effects microplastics have and also about their origin.

We gathered more information on our [homepage](#) for you.



From Kiel to Apenrade and back: on the trail of plastic

For the second time, scientists from the PlastTrack project are conducting an expedition to record and quantify the distribution of plastic particles in the western Baltic Sea. They want to gain a better understanding of where the plastic particles come from, how they are transported in the water and what effects they have.

[Read more](#)



PlastTrack workshop during the Climate Conference in Sønderborg

Our workshop will feature two key presentations on **September 23rd**:

1. ****Marine Plastics**** by Jes Vollertsen, AAU

2. ****From Land to Deep Sea – Where Do Ocean Plastics Go?*** by Anja Engel, GEOMAR Kiel

Jes Vollertsen is an expert in sampling wastewater among others. Anja Engel will share insights from our sampling campaign in the Baltic Sea.

Both presentations will complement the workshop that follows, where we give an overview on recent developments.

[Find out more on the programme.](#)

Registration is open until Sept. 8!



Ocean Plastic Hub

A network for those interested in plastics in the ocean and aquatic environment.

You can join for free [here](#).



Upcoming Events

- 22/23-09-2025 [Climate neutrality conference](#), Sønderborg
- November-2025 Bridging microbiology and material science (info follows)
- [Ocean Plastic International Matchmaking](#)
December 4, 2025
online matchmaking event

This year's theme is Emerging tech: AI & efficient mapping of the seabed. We'll explore how cutting-edge technologies like AI, robotics, and advanced mapping can revolutionize the way we detect, monitor, and ultimately remove underwater plastic pollution.

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