

NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY



Dear CMR Members

This festive newsletter is to highlight memorable moments for 2018. It has been a very busy and productive year!

Words of Gratitude

To Liza and Oyama for supporting the work we do, keeping the Office together and organising logistics – thank you. Liza did an outstanding job this year with the Research Symposium and the Port Elizabeth People's Ports Festival. Thank you to Professor Pierre Pistorius for supporting CMR as Acting Deputy Director. Professor Leitch and your Office (particularly Denise and Kwezi) – thank you for your support of the CMR!

To our members, researchers and supporters: thank you for all the research contributions and support of the Institute, particularly words of encouragement received, together with embracing the new cross-Faculty mandate of the Institute. It was particularly heart-warming having Professors Robertson, Bate and McLachlan attend and/or present at our 2018 Symposium – they are the bastions of CMR.

Thank you to the Management Committee and Advisory Board for your time and contributions.



Highlights

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Many of our CMR Members have achieved significant milestones in terms of research outputs, academic engagements, and promotions. Below are a few highlights, but this list is not exhaustive. Each of these are important and acknowledged. **Please send us updates of your achievements for the 2018 annual report, due in March 2019.**

- Professor Thomas Bornman: Appointed as Honorary Professor in recognition of his contribution to ocean sciences research
- Professor Pierre Pistorius: Nelson Mandela University Researcher of the Year, as well as being elevated from Senior Lecturer to Associate Professor early in 2018
- Professor Janine Adams: Science Faculty Researcher of the Year
- Professor Patrick Vrancken: Research Excellence Award
- Ms Tanya Wagenaar: Law Faculty Excellent Teacher of the Year Award
- Mr John Werth: CMR's very first Professional Associate and winner of our National Marine Week photo competition
- Dr Lorien Pichegru: Honorary Consul Port Elizabeth for the French Embassy
- All 2018 graduating postgraduate students – well done!



Please do not forget to submit your 2018 publication outputs to the Department of Research Management

Sharing Ocean & Coastal Knowledge

- Living Shores Book Launch
- Communities of Practice academic and wider stakeholder information sharing sessions – Algoa bay Project
- Celebrating Research Associates at the CMR Symposium
- Port Elizabeth People's Ports Festival



International

Susanne Lindegarth & Elisabeth Jönsson Bergman – University of Gothenburg

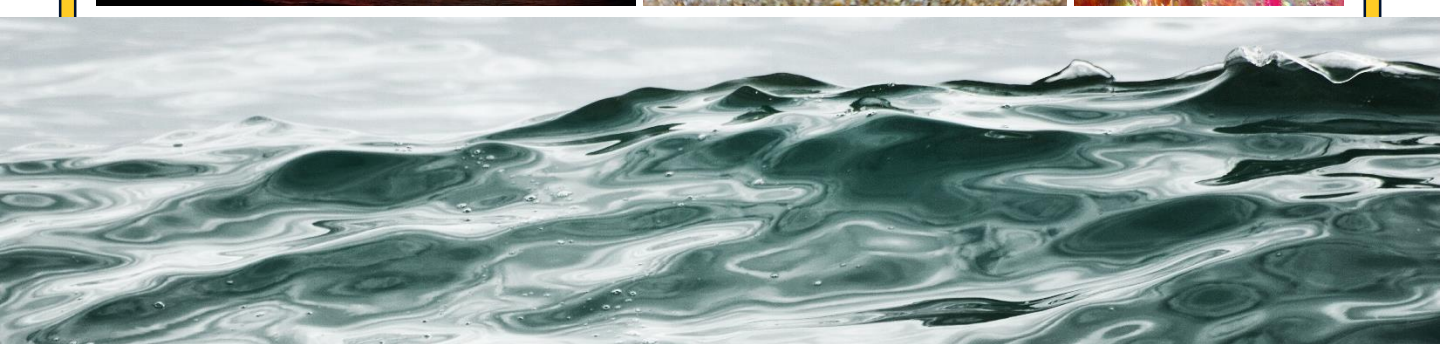
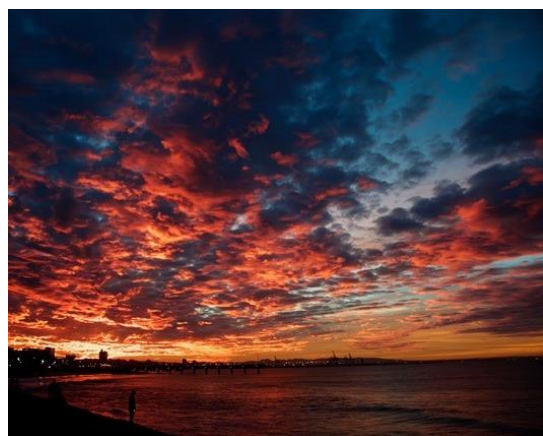
Helmut Hillebrand & Ruth Krause – University of Oldenburg

David Kaplan – IRD, France



Look Forward To

Bumper 2018 annual report, multidisciplinary research projects, symposium celebrating ocean and coastal diversity (cultural, economic, biological and more), glider seminar, plastics research and more!



Final Note

Bon voyage to Liza, who will be exploring the UK early next year and returning to work with CMR in February 2019. Lindie van Rensburg will support the incoming 2019 Director in January, so CMR can hit the seas at full steam ahead. Please send any queries to her once the 2019 year starts (Lindie.VanRensburg@mandela.ac.za / 041 504 2504).

Thank you, ubeneholide zehlobo ezisikelelekileyo, uhambe kakuhle ukhuselekile de siphoned sibonane kwimicimbi yaselwandle ngo2019.

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CMR Acting Director 2018