

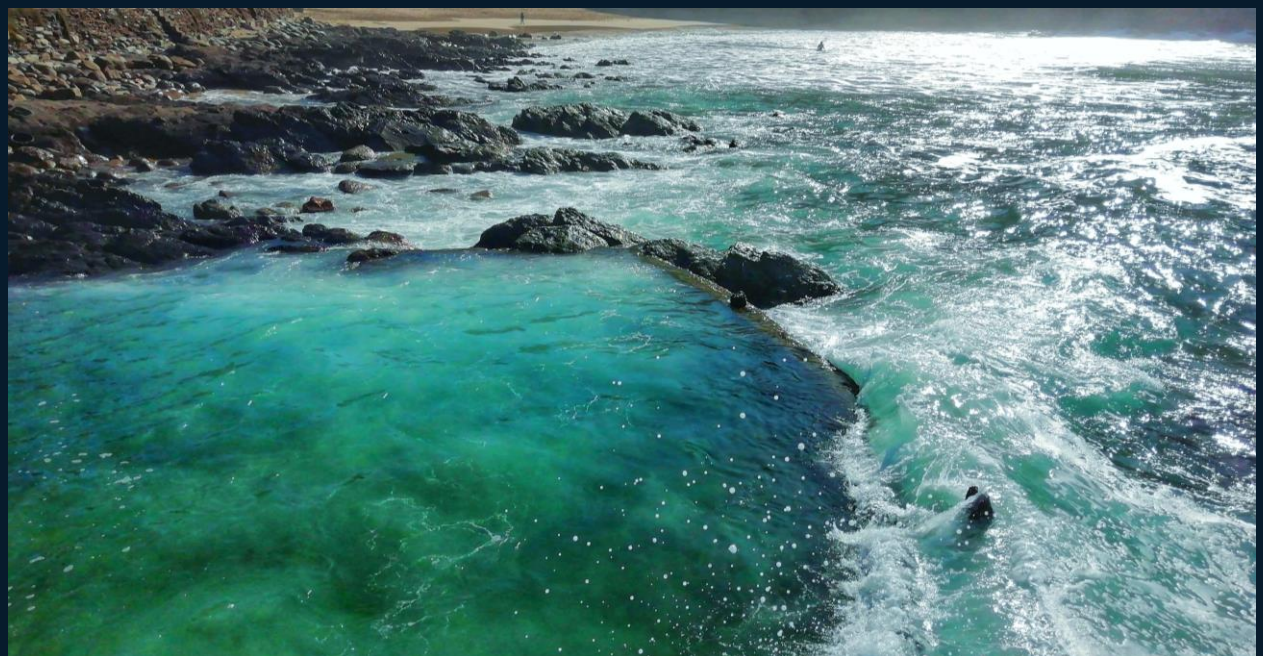
Welcome Back Newsletter 2022

Institute for Coastal and Marine Research (CMR)

Welcome back to all our **CMR members**. We trust that everyone enjoyed a safe and relaxing holiday, and that **2022** is off to a good start.

In this newsletter, we congratulate CMR student members on their **graduation**, as well as share news of other **great achievements**.

Best wishes for 2022!



Graduation

Well done to our **CMR student members** who graduated at the **2021 Summer Graduation ceremony!** **We congratulate you**, your supervisors and mentors, families and support structures.

The CMR congratulates the following student members on this **fantastic achievement**:

Master of Laws: Public Law

- Osiphesona Ngcanga
- Bathobile Thandazile Unittah Vilakazi

Doctor of Philosophy: Oceanography

- Xolisa Dlomo
- Estee Miltz

Doctor of Laws: Public Law

- Nonhlanhla Irene Pindiwe Hlazo

We also congratulate the Department of Development Studies CMR member, **Dr Danai Tembo**, on graduating with her **Doctor of Philosophy degree in Development Studies!**



Congratulations



Miss Carla Dodd, one of the CMR's PhD students, was selected for a **specialised field training programme** out of a group of postgrads from across Africa. The **Train-ME2 Connect Summer School** took place from 20 to 27 November and hosted **eight postgraduate students from six different nationalities** (Nigeria, Madagascar, Mozambique, Tanzania, South Africa and Zimbabwe). The Summer School is a training programme that focuses on **bio- and geological sampling techniques** in both aquatic and terrestrial environments and the application thereof in palaeoecology.

The students were joined by the **trans-disciplinary team of researchers** from the Universities of Cape Town (Dr Kelly Kirsten), Greifswald (Dr Finn Viehberg), KwaZulu Natal (Dr Jemma Finch and Dr Lauren Pretorius), and Nelson Mandela University/Council for Geoscience (Dr Hayley Cawthra) who facilitated the programme.



Congratulations

Dr Estee Miltz's doctoral thesis, entitled *Applying a Systems Analysis Approach to Support Integrated Ocean Management and Marine Spatial Planning in Algoa Bay, South Africa*, was awarded the **Global Challenges University Alliance Award** by the **Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences** for the **thesis of the year** in relevance to Sustainable Development. This high-quality research has applied a transdisciplinary, systems analysis approach to **support marine spatial planning** and **provided a platform for stakeholders and decision makers to conduct scenario analyses** and **explore sustainable management interventions** to achieve a balance in social-ecological objectives across marine sectors. Dr Miltz will give a **seminar** about her research later during 2022 and receive a **prize** of 4000 Euro.



Housekeeping

Research Publication Management System

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Affiliation & Branding

We kindly request that CMR members use the full **Institute for Coastal and Marine Research** title in all affiliations and addresses. This is particularly important for academic publications and representation at formal occasions.

A friendly reminder to CMR members to please make use of the CMR's updated and rebranded **logos**. These logos, as well as various branded templates, are available from the **Membership Information** page on the CMR's website: <https://cmr.mandela.ac.za/Membership-Information>.

Social Media

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