

Exhibition “Klima & Leben” with Climate Forum in Kiel

How do climate researchers work? On March 26 and 27 researchers provide an interesting insight on their work and Climate Change in the Climate Forum of the exhibition “Klima & Leben” in Kiel. The Climate Forum is organized by the ALDEBARAN team. The following scientific institutions will present themselves with interactive modules: Klimabündnis Kieler Bucht, Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel – Geographisches Institut, Erlebniszentrum Naturgewalten Sylt GmbH; Leibniz-Institut für Meereswissenschaften (IFM Geomar) and Multimar Wattforum Tönning. ALDEBARAN will present its underwater-panorama. Come and visit us! For further information go to www.klimaundlebenkiel2011.messe.ag.

Youth competition “Research at Sea” 2011: Call for application ends April 10

Teams of pupils can submit their idea of a research project about sea-level rise or/and sea pollution onboard the research and media vessel until April 10. The number of expeditions to be conducted depends on the support by our sponsors. All sponsors of the last year will support the competition again this year. The youth competition is also presented on a brand new website thanks to the web agency Alexanderplatz from Hamburg. We also like to thank the publishing house Delius Klasing for adding a supplement to all 35.000 copies of their current “yacht” magazine. Also, ALDEBARAN got an inquiry by a Portuguese foundation which is interested in an international cooperation with the competition. Further information about “Research at Sea”: www.meereswettbewerb.de

Warm welcome by the ALDEBARAN underwater panorama

Since February Hamburg’s new citizens are welcomed by our underwater panorama in the Hamburg Welcome Center. “Many visitors are captured by our dive through a fascinating underwater world and look forward to Hamburg as their new home next to the water”, says Birthe Steller, head of the Hamburg Welcome Center. Further information: www.welcome-center.hamburg.de

Preparations for the second “Ocean Conference” by Dräger Foundation

Famous international participants will participate in the second “Ocean Conference” with the topic “Sustainable Oceans: Reconciling Economic Use and Protection” in the end of June in Hamburg. The conference is initiated by the Dräger Foundation. ALDEBARAN is co-organizer and ensures to transfer the results of the conference into political action. The three-day-event takes place from June 29 to July 1 and will focus on the value of our oceans in comparison to the risks of resources like oil. In the near future the “Ocean Conference” series should lead to the establishment of a European Ocean Commission which shall act as independent and credible mediator between politics and society.

Third Climate Week Hamburg

The Climate Week Hamburg will take part for the third time from September 23 until September 30 this year. Around 100 institutions, companies and organizations will present themselves in and around the shopping mall Europa Passage in the city center of Hamburg. The host of the event is the TuTech Innovation GmbH, ALDEBARAN is the organizer. Some of the highlights of the week will be the Climate Night on September 23, a climate concert, a sustainable finance forum, a mile of electro mobility and the presentation of the "Train of Ideas" as project of Hamburg as European Green Capital 2011. All events and the exhibition are planned and organized at the moment. Whoever wants to participate should contact us soon: www.klimawoche.de

German Ocean Foundation

The German Ocean Foundation is in the process of establishment. In April, a dinner with honourable guest will take place for potential partners and financiers in Hamburg. The foundation is planned to be the new responsible body for the research and media vessel ALDEABRAN. Other tasks are the evaluation and communication of research results concerning the oceans. Whoever knows exciting partner, patrons and investors for this idea should inform us. See also www.meeresstiftung.de/about.html.

SailingLab ALDEBARAN starts in May

To bring the river Elbe closer to Hamburg's classrooms ALDEBARAN will organize one-day field trips for school classes starting May 2011. On board the pupils will discover the river and its microcosms. Thanks to the further support of the Otto Group the first trips are already financed. We are still looking for other companies to sponsor further trips for school classes.

ALDEBARAN team looks for colleagues

We got plenty work to do and would like to recruit further support for our team. All jobs are listed on our website www.aldebaran.org, sub item "Jobs" (in German).