

Press Release



West Africa in Mindelo as part of the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL).

Building on the joint scientific achievements and the joint mission of IMar and GEOMAR, we would like to further strengthen the OSCM for sustainable operation. Previous projects prove the enormous potential of the region and in the combination of infrastructure and promotion of young scientists, we can jointly harness opportunities for development, Professor Matthes emphasises. At the same time, this would also create an important basis for future large-scale research campaigns.

Starting in 2027, a large-scale international research project led by GEOMAR will put a special focus on the region off West Africa: The Future of Tropical Upwelling Regions in the Atlantic Ocean (FUTURO) will investigate how the natural upwelling system off West Africa, which is eminently important for West Africa's population, will develop in a changing climate and how this biologically particularly productive and biodiverse region can be protected and sustainably managed.