**COSTS OF MARINE LITTER MANAGEMENT**

**Cost per km of the coastline.** Estimated annual expenditure for cleaning the Mediterranean coast will be about € 0.5 – 1 billion.

**Cost per person.** Estimated annual expenditure for the control of litter for coastal population of the Mediterranean is about € 1.5 billion.

**Expenditures for APEC**. In 2008 direct cost for marine litter for 21 countries of APEC was about US$ 1.3 billion (0.364 for fishery, 0.279 for marine transport and 0.622 million for marine tourism).

**Cost for closing beaches.** Marine litter caused closing of New Jersey and New York beaches in 1988 and cost for regional economy was US$ 0.379 and US$ 3.6 billion due to the losses in tourism and associated activities.

**Incidents at sea.** In 2005, the US Coastguard made 269 rescues to incidents involving marine litter resulting in 15 deaths, 116 injuries and US$ 3 million in property damage