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Professor Bernhard Glaeser, Ph.D., was (until 2007) a senior researcher at the Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB) in Germany and is Professor of Sociology at the Free University of Berlin. He is President of the German Society for Human Ecology (DGH).

In 1995, he was appointed Professor and Chair of Human Ecology at Göteborg University in Sweden and was Program Director of the Swedish national coastal research program, "Sustainable Coastal Zone Management" (SUCOZOMA), from 1996 to 1998.

Upon his return to Germany from Sweden in 1999, Bernhard Glaeser coordinated "Regional spatial planning for the German coast: the national ICZM strategy", a German national research project.

In 2004, he became involved in two more projects: "Coastal Futures" investigates the economic and social impacts of offshore wind farm development on the North Sea. "ICZM Oder" focuses on the administrative framework required for implementing ICZM in a German-Polish cross-border Baltic context.

Beyond his involvement in national projects, Glaeser is also part of the German-Indonesian international collaborative research project, "Science for the Protection of Indonesian Coastal Environments" (SPICE), where he assists in building up a social science cluster focusing on tsunami related governance.

Bernhard Glaeser has been in contact with LOICZ ever since the late 1990s; he contributed to the 2002 LOICZ Synthesis and Futures meeting in Miami, Florida (USA). As an SSC member (appointed in 2005), he hopes to be able to help integrate social and natural science subject matter and issues, and to link these to coastal policy and management. His involvement focuses on LOICZ Priority Topic 1, "Social-Ecological Systems" (SES).