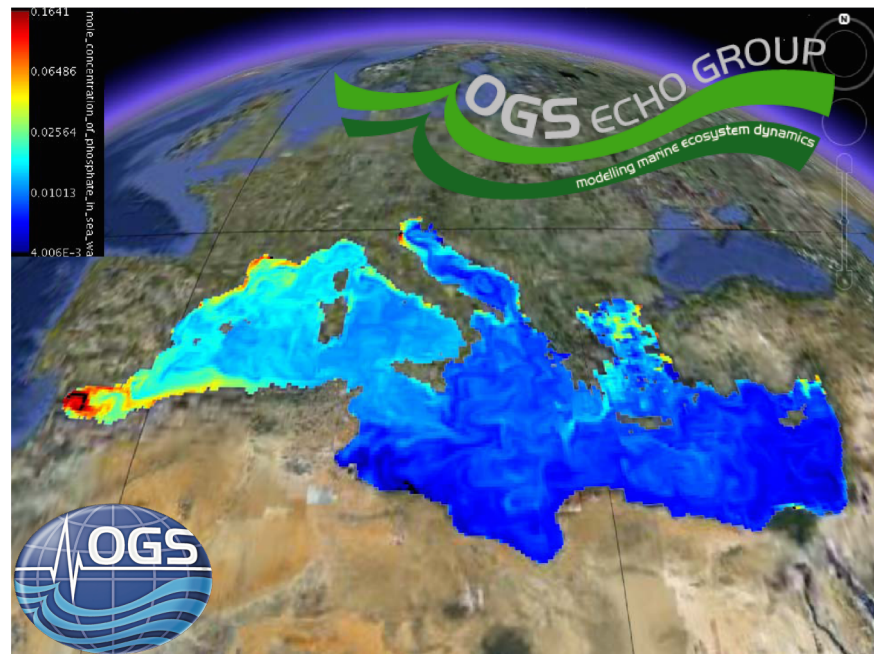


# Models and Data for Blue Growth strategy: how to become aware of the EU Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Services (CMEMS) offer

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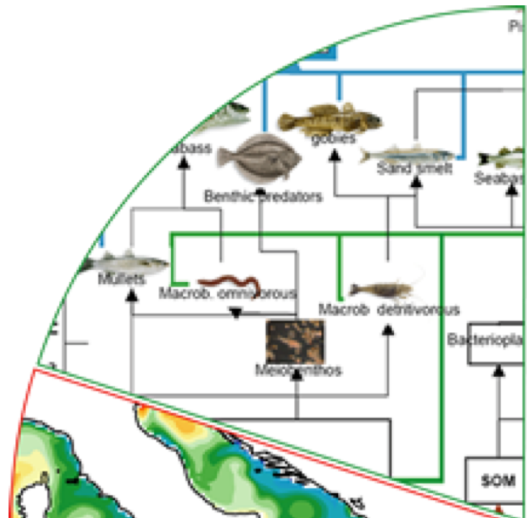




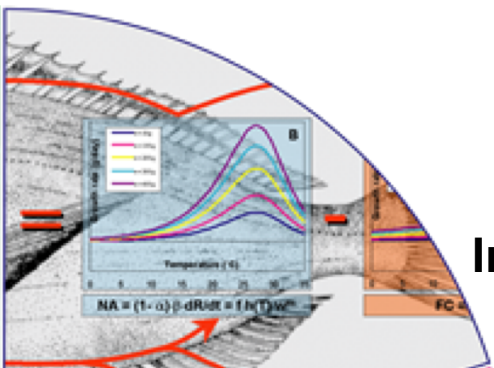
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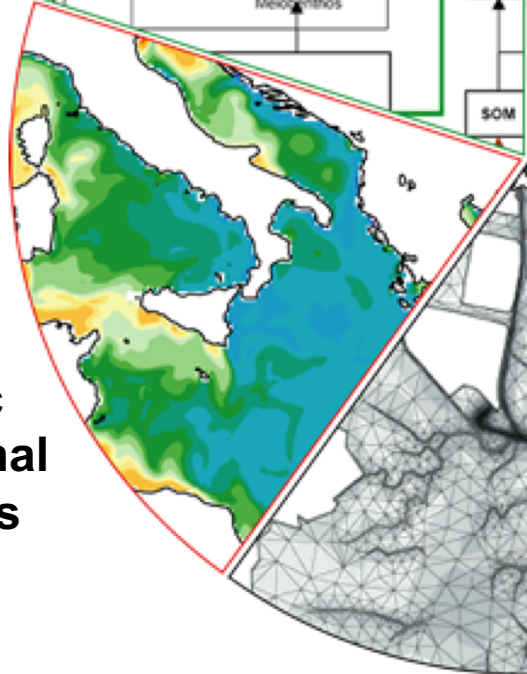
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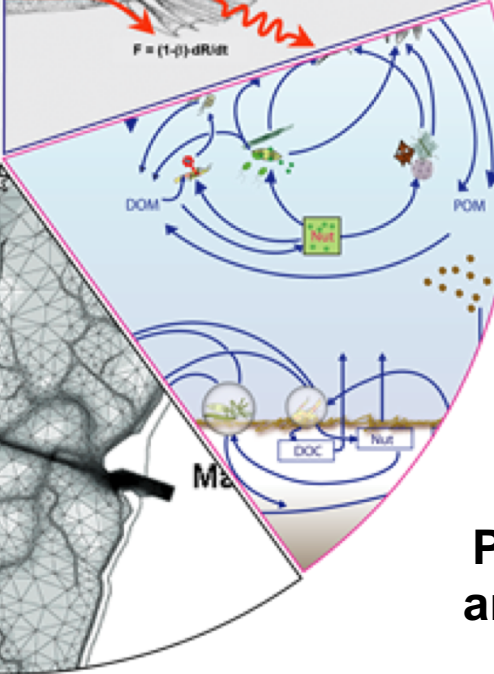
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**Hydrodynamic models at regional and local scales**



**Biogeochemical models**

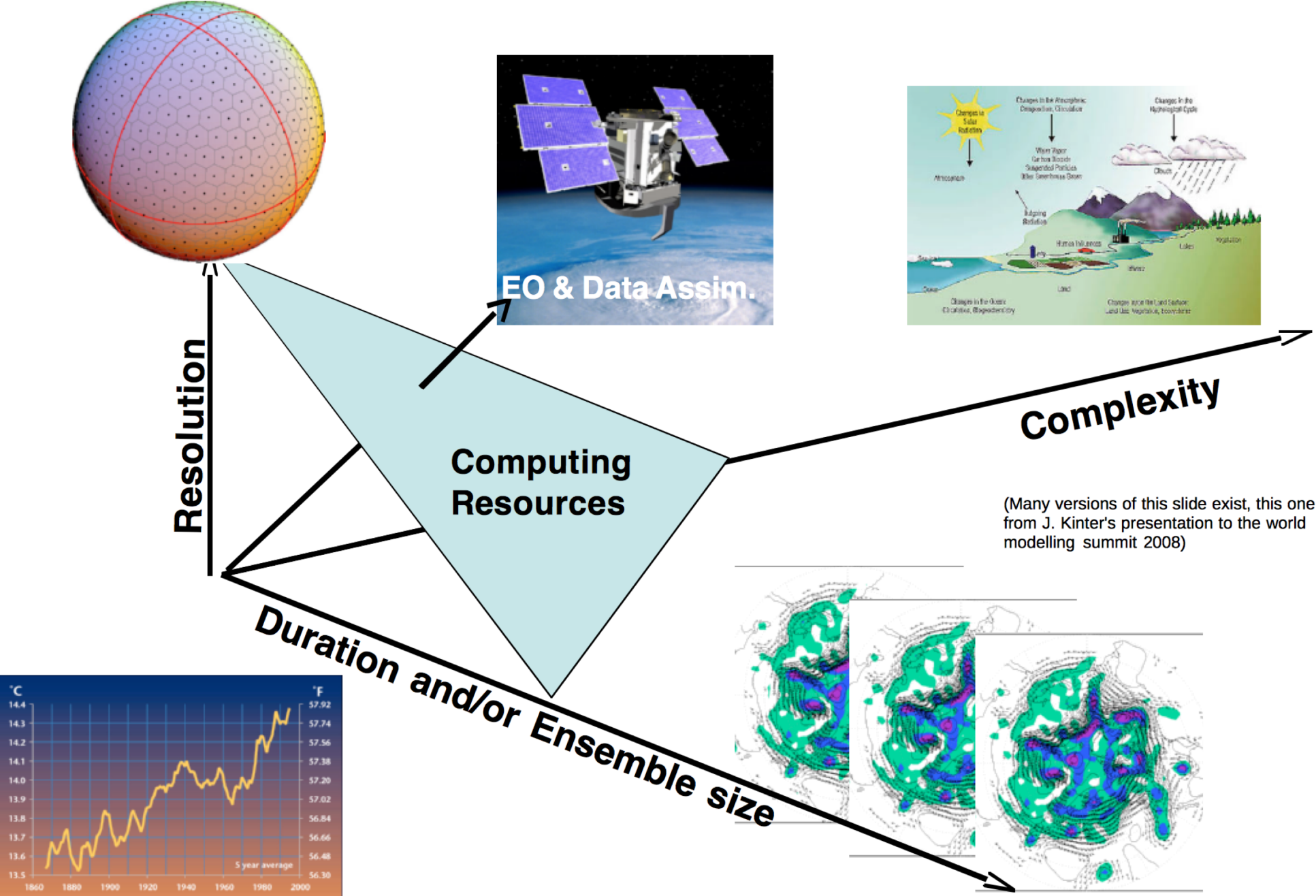


**Pollutant dispersion and bioaccumulation**

**Operational Oceanography models integrated in Copernicus**



# Challenges in ocean (and Earth System) modelling



# Outline

- **An Ocean of data**
- **The EU Blue Growth strategy**
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# Talk objectives


- 1. Understand** the potentiality of the Copernicus infrastructure
- 2. Increase** the awareness of the information provided by Copernicus
- 3. Design** the most proper Copernicus information useful to analyze the case study of your interest

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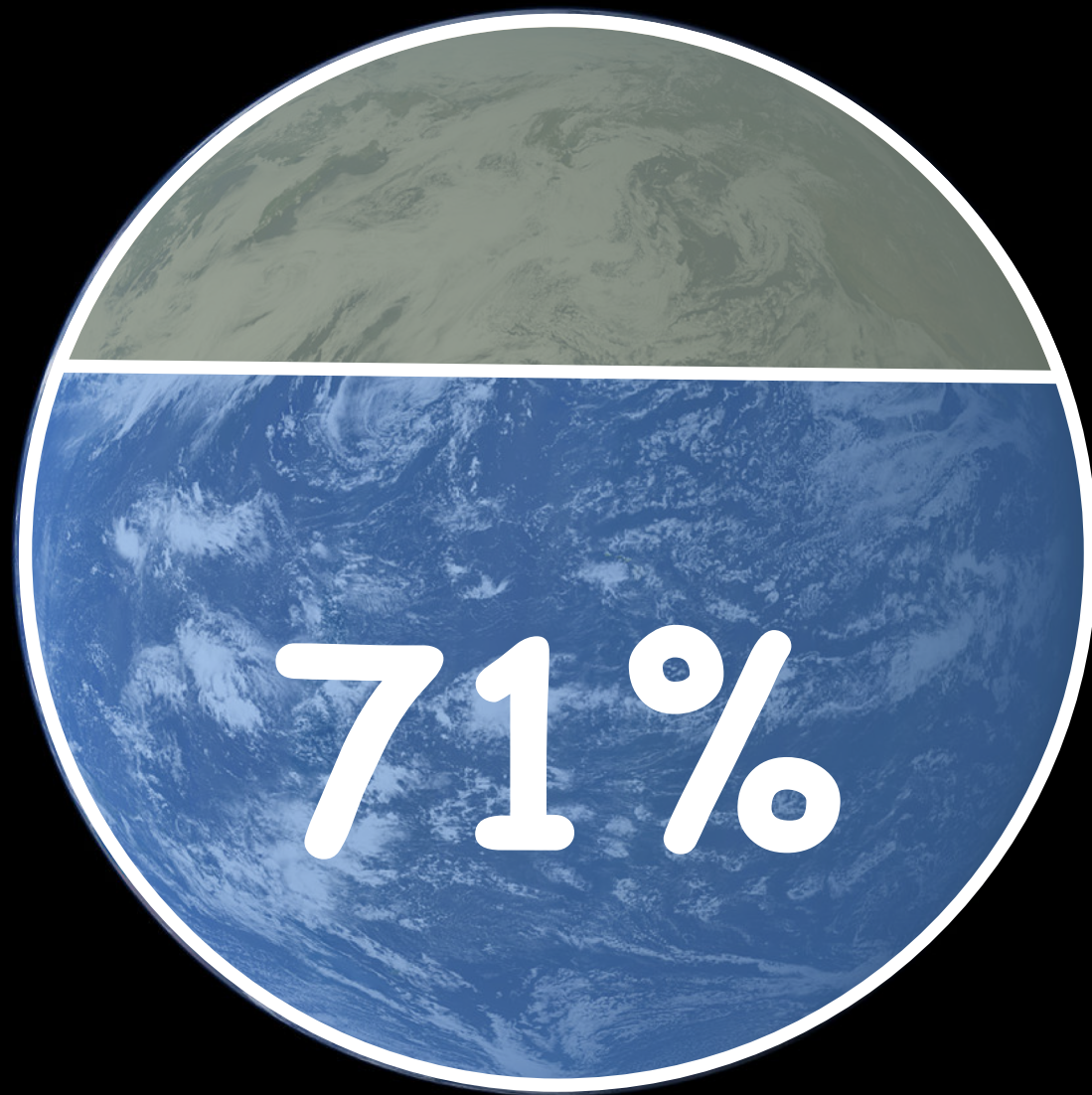
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...our planet, the Earth...







































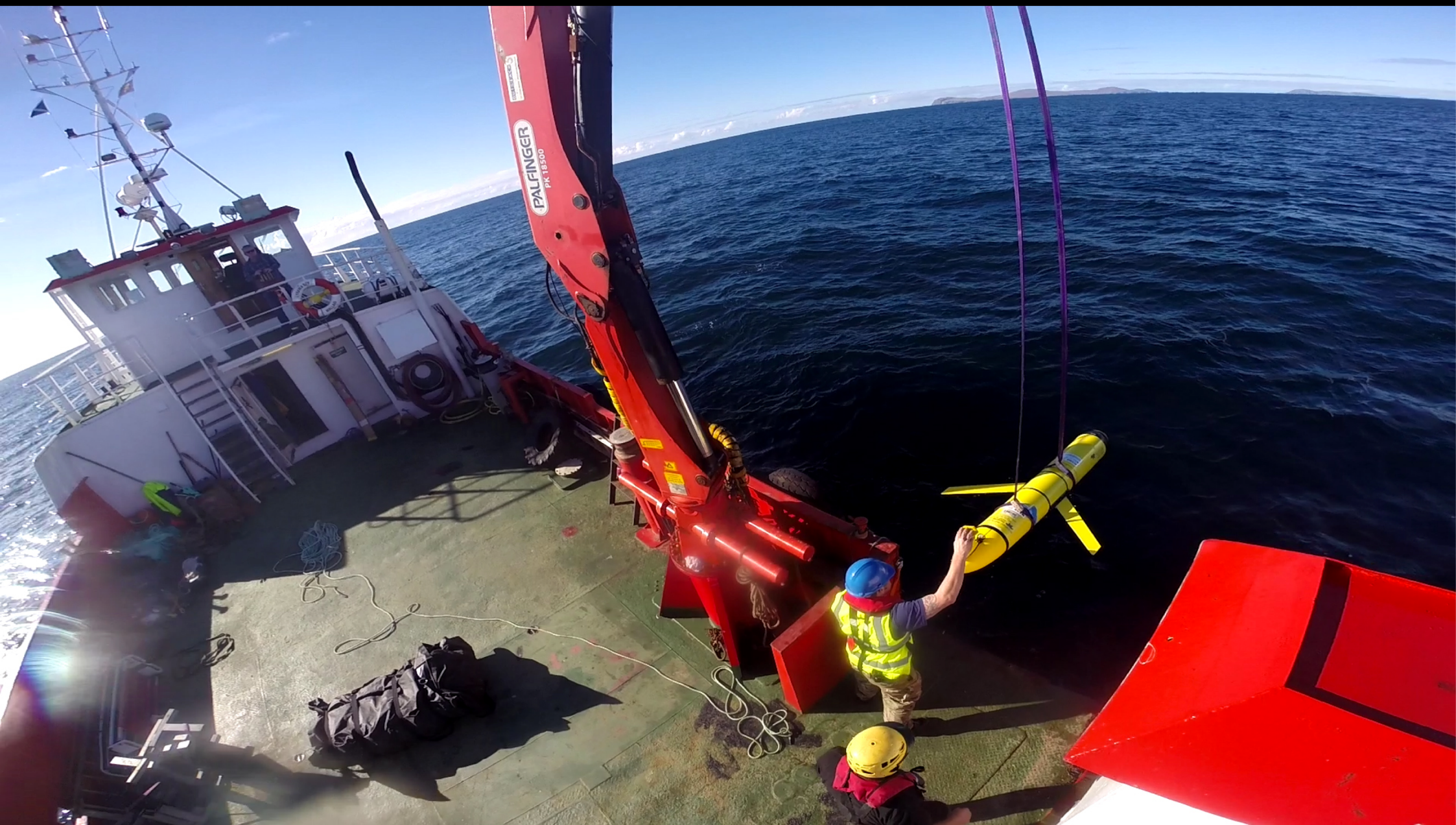




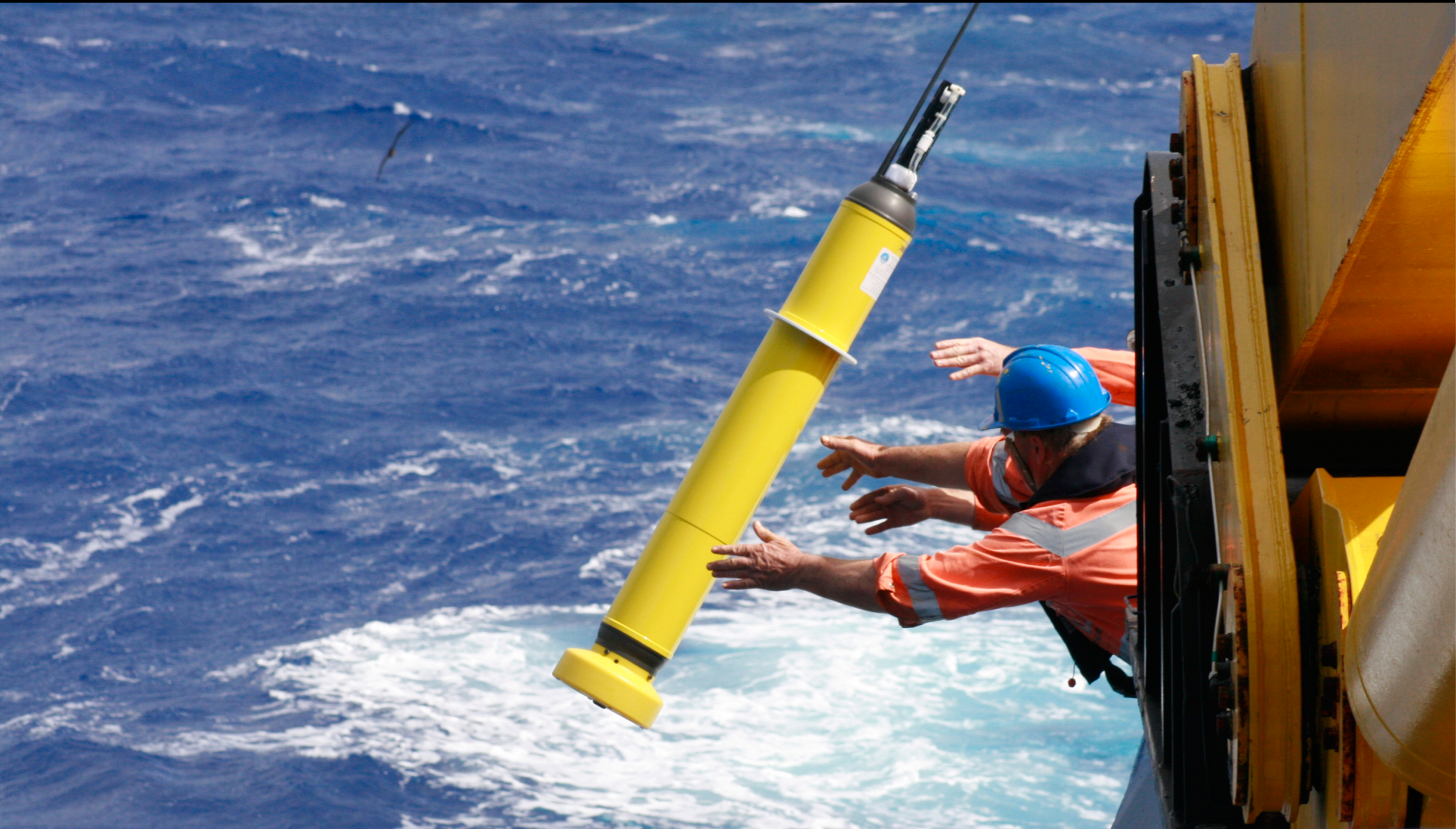


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how can  
we  
measure  
how our  
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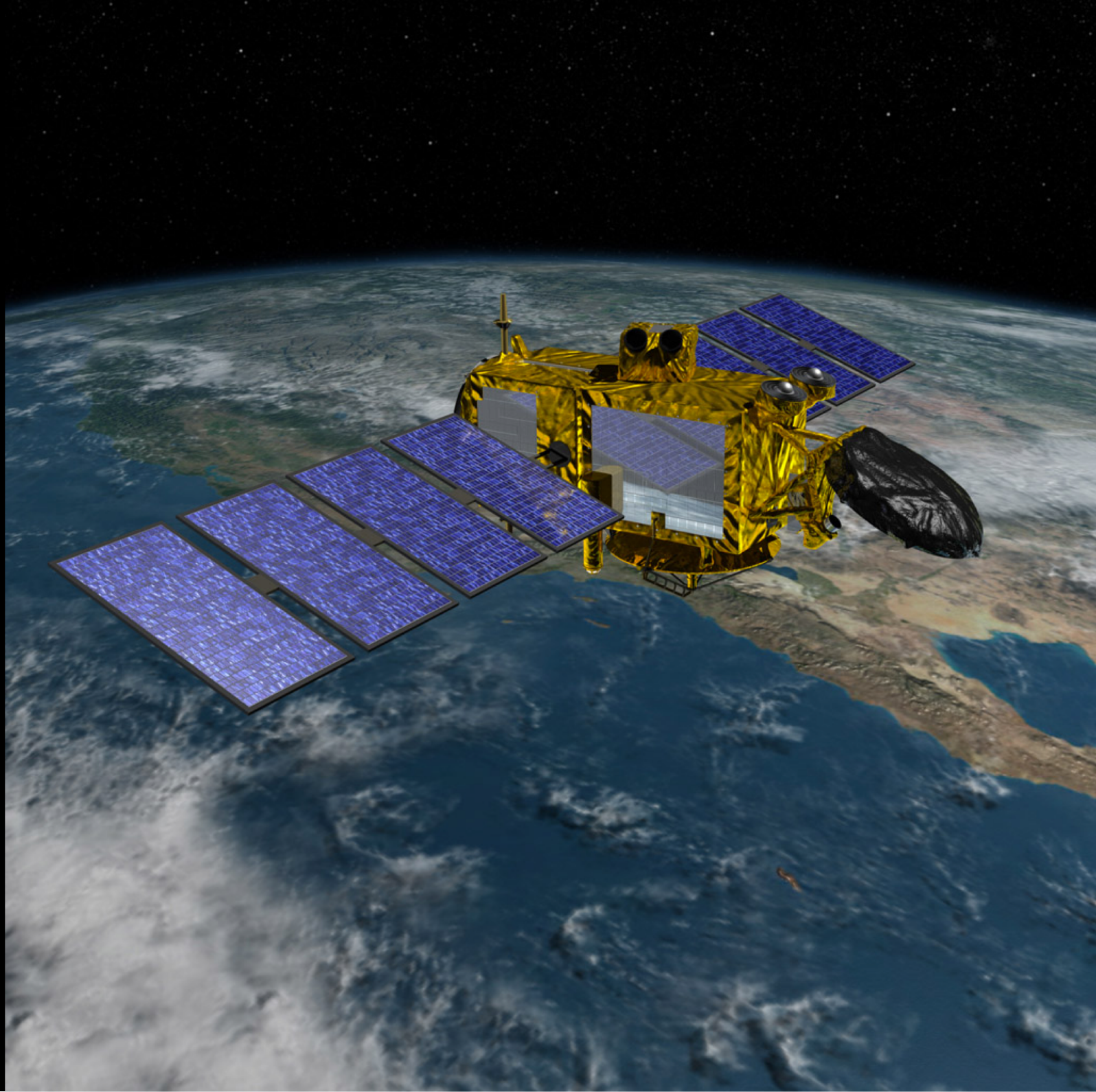










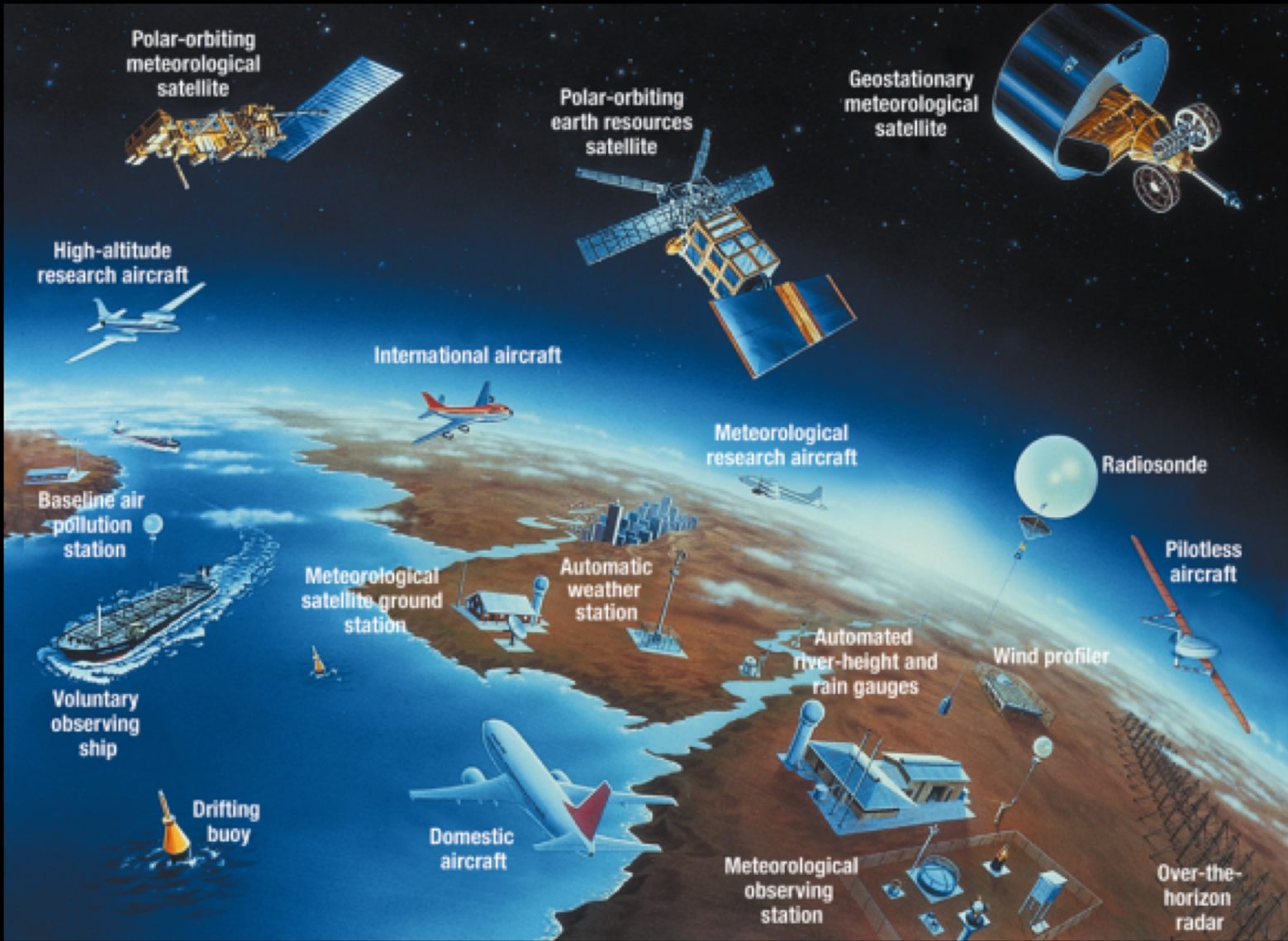






...atmosphere  
and ocean are  
closely  
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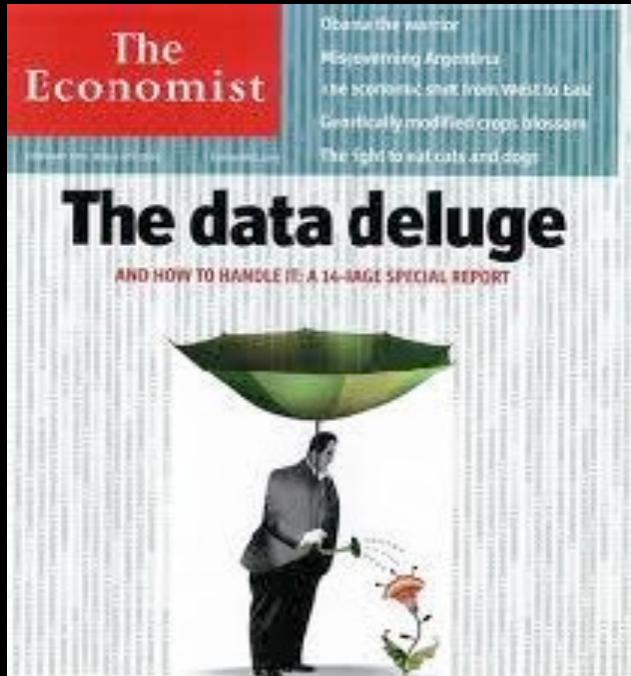




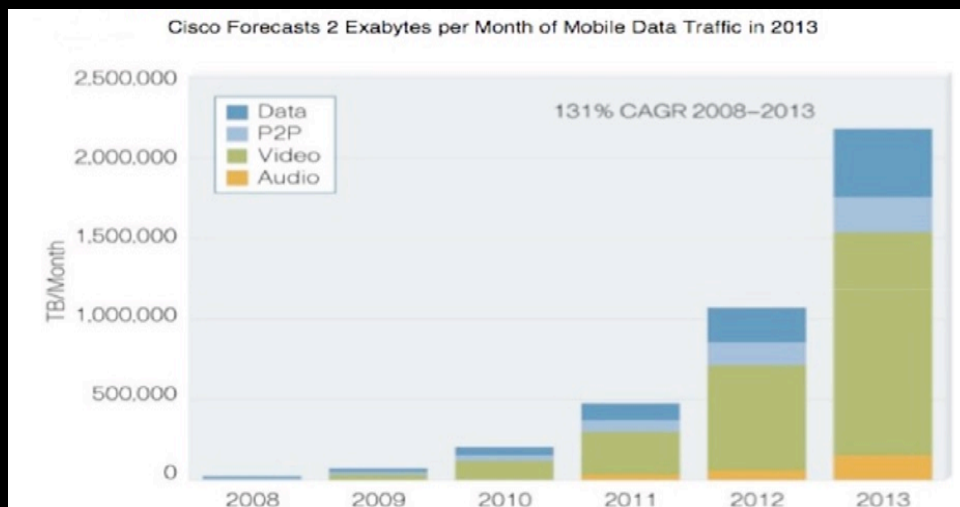




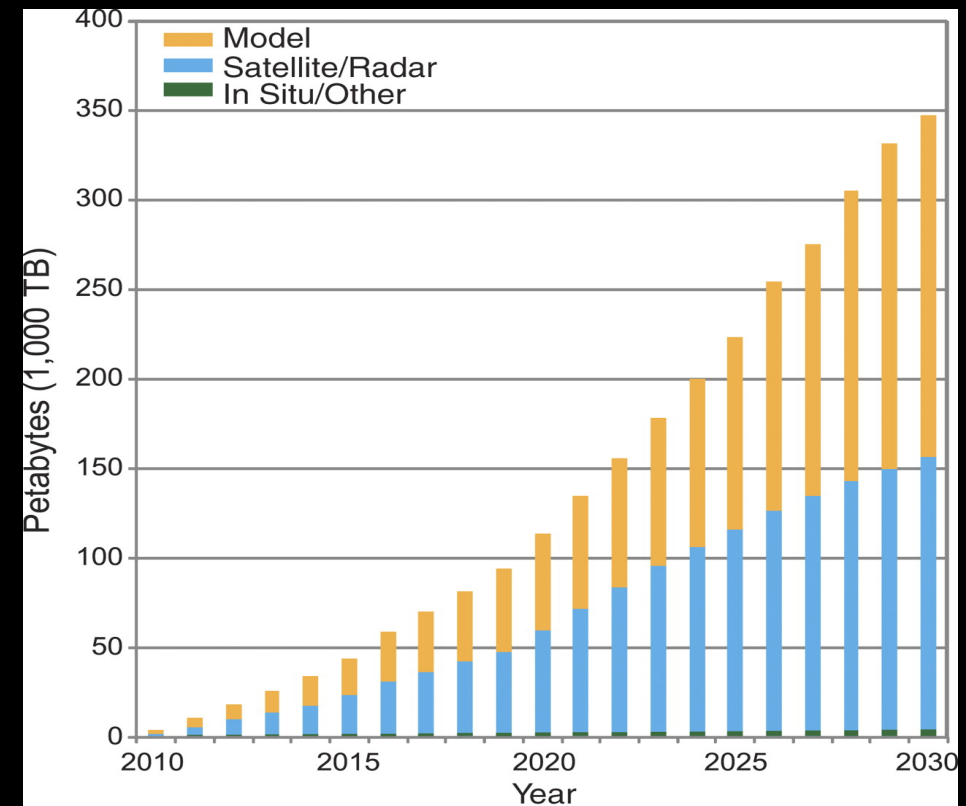
# Data amount produced is becoming bigger and bigger...



- The volume of **worldwide climate data** is expanding rapidly, creating challenges for both physical archiving and sharing, as well as for ease of access and finding what's needed, *particularly if you are not a climate scientist*.
- Post-processing can be synonym of Data Mining, Data Analytics
- HPC must become a necessary tool when “BigData” have to be analyzed
- **DIKW** process (Data-Information-Knowledge-Wisdom/Decision) is becoming a matter for professionals...



Source: Cisco (2009), then: Sule M.J., DataDay@ICTP, Sep2013



J. T. Overpeck et al. Science 2011;331:700-702





**... an OCEAN of DATA !!!**

**DATA**





**... an OCEAN of DATA !!!**

**INFORMATION**

**DATA**



**... an OCEAN of DATA !!!**

**KNOWLEDGE**

**INFORMATION**

**DATA**



**... an OCEAN of DATA !!!**

**WISDOM**

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**DATA**








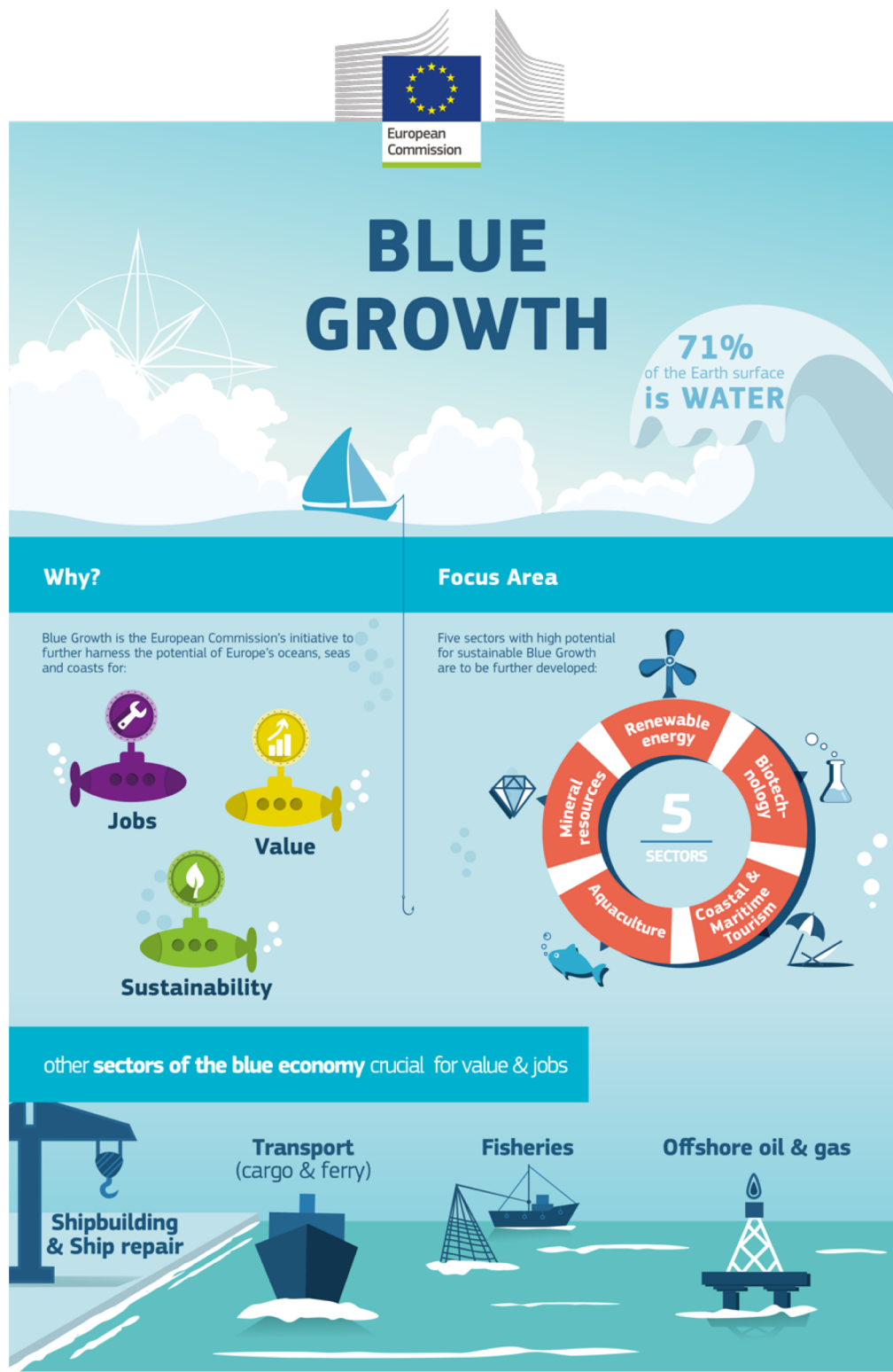
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**Blue Growth** = long term strategy to support **sustainable growth in the marine and maritime sectors.**

Seas and oceans are drivers for the European economy and have great potential for innovation and growth.

**BG** is the maritime contribution to achieving the goals of the **Europe 2020** strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

'blue' economy = roughly **5.4 million jobs** generating a gross added value of almost **€500 billion a year.**

=> further growth is possible in a number of **areas** which are highlighted within the strategy.



# The strategy consists of three components:

## 1. Develop sectors that have a high potential for sustainable jobs and growth:

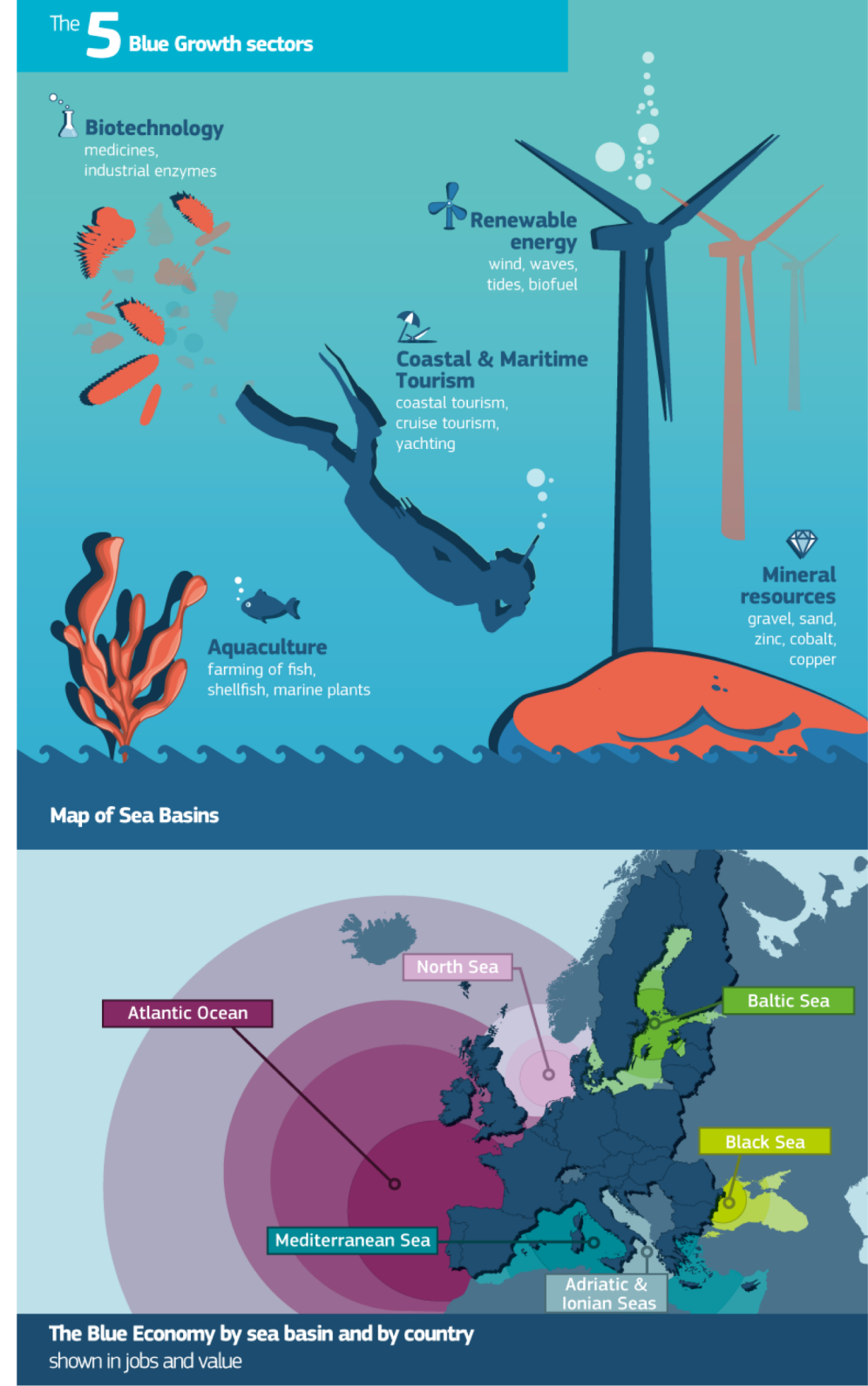
- a. aquaculture
- b. coastal tourism
- c. marine biotechnology
- d. ocean energy
- e. seabed mining

## 2. Essential components to provide knowledge, legal certainty and security in the blue economy:

- a. **marine knowledge** to improve access to information about the sea;
- b. **maritime spatial planning** to ensure an efficient and sustainable management of activities at sea;
- c. **integrated maritime surveillance** to give authorities a better picture of what is happening at sea.

## 3. Sea basin strategies to ensure tailor-made measures and to foster cooperation between countries

- a. Adriatic and Ionian Seas
- b. Arctic Ocean
- c. Atlantic Ocean
- d. Baltic Sea
- e. Black Sea
- f. Mediterranean Sea
- g. North Sea





**Motivation**

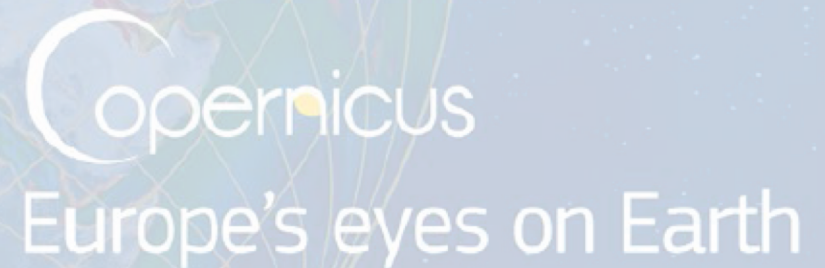
**IN THE BLUE GROWTH  
“WORLD”  
EVERYBODY NEEDS DATA!**

**DATA → INFORMATION → KNOWLEDGE → WISDOM  
(DIKW)**



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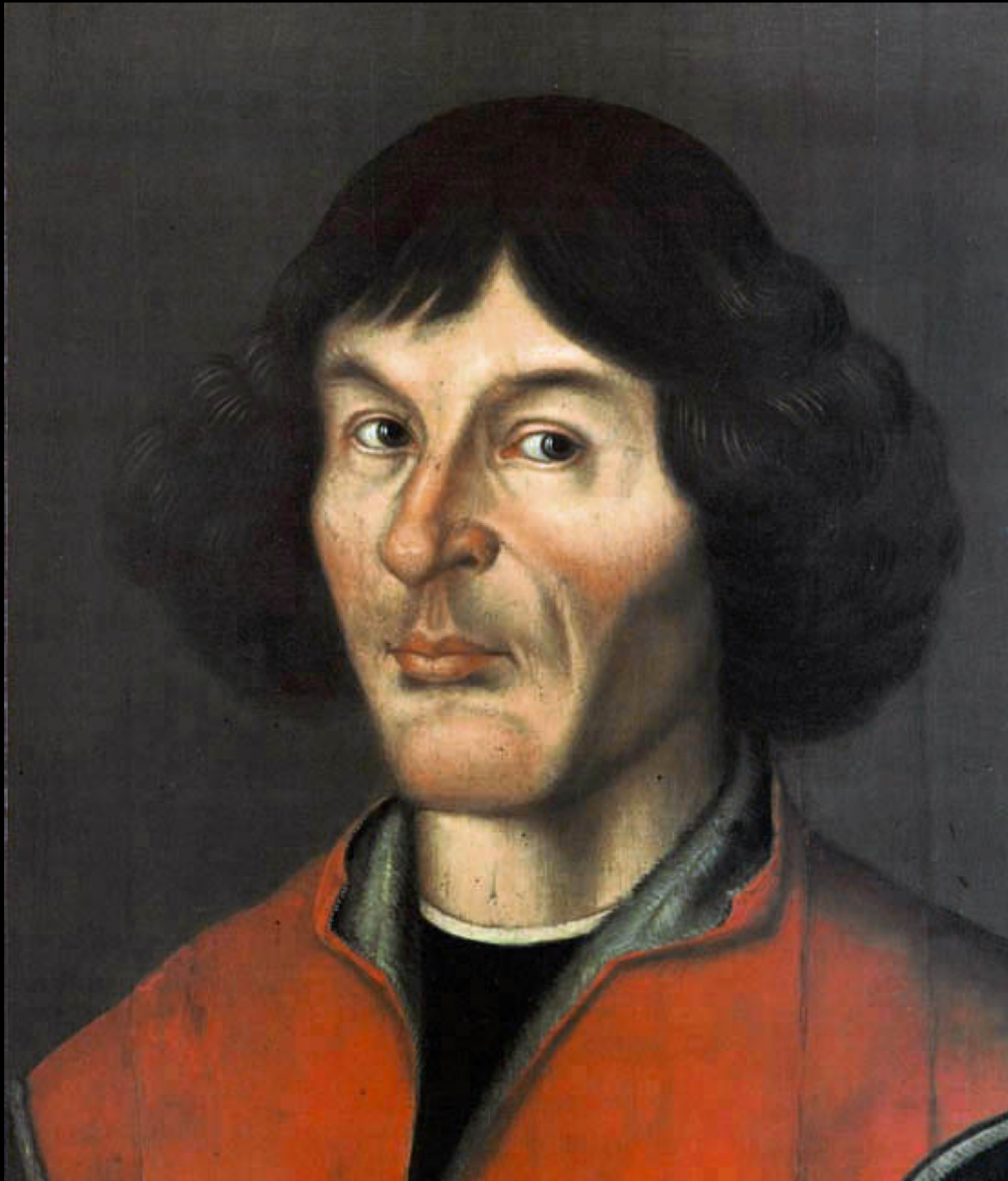


...COPERNICUS ?





# COPERNICUS...?



Nicolaus Copernicus (1473 -1543) was a Renaissance-era mathematician and astronomer who formulated a model of the universe that placed the Sun rather than the Earth at the center of the universe.



# COPERNICUS...!



Copernicus, previously known as GMES (Global Monitoring for Environment and Security), is the European Programme for the establishment of a European capacity for Earth Observation.

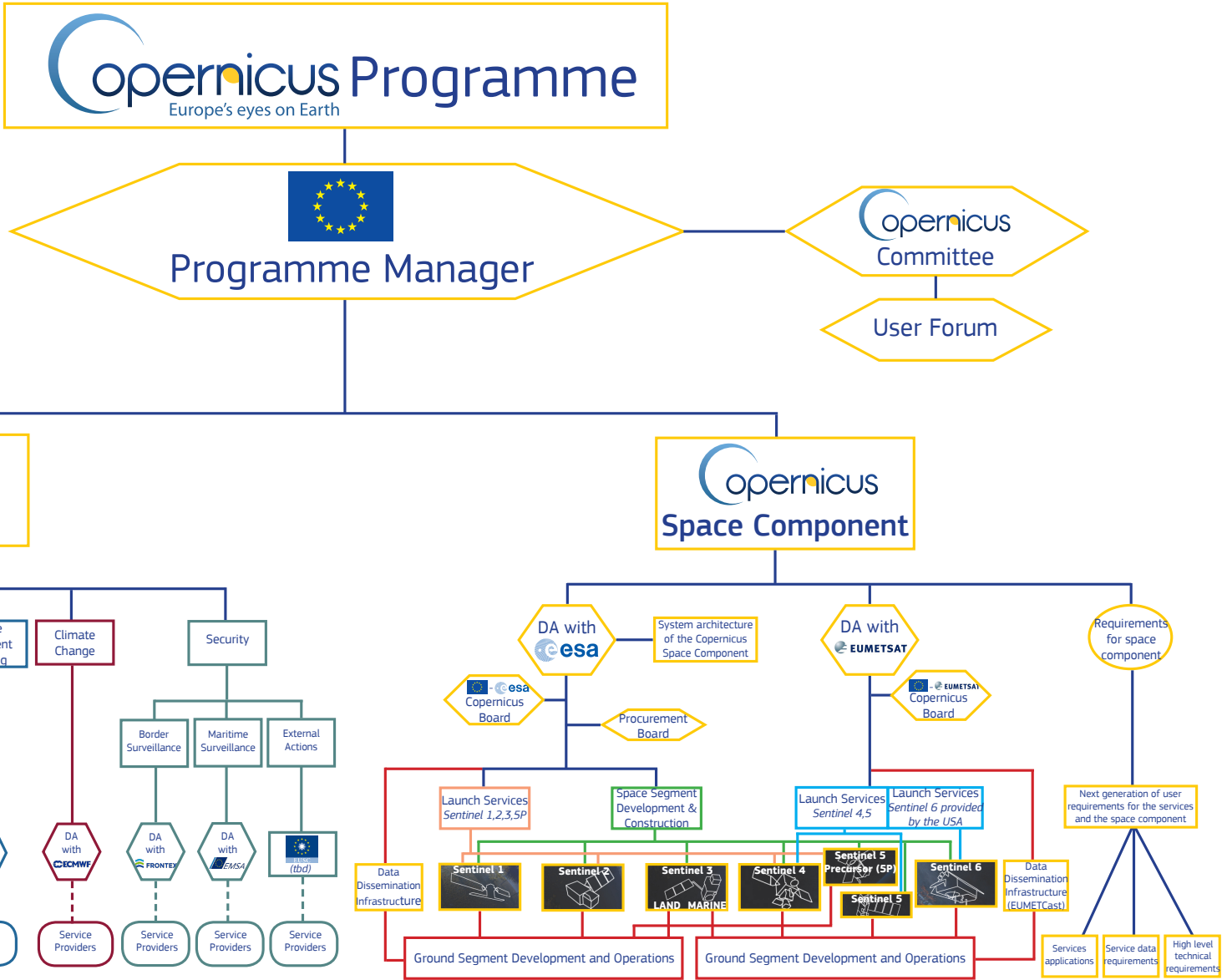


1. What is the Copernicus system?
2. CMEMS within Copernicus
3. CMEMS focus on Mediterranean Sea





**Copernicus is  
“a European system  
for monitoring the  
Earth”**



Implementation mode still to be defined:

- Commercial contracts
- Grants

 Copernicus comp  
Service Providers

Mode of Implementation (direct/indirect):

-  Indirect Management
-  Direct Management

- \* Coordination by EEA
- DA - Delegation agreement
- CSD - Cross Sub-delegation
- EEA - European Economic Area

EUMETSAT - European Organisation for  
Meteorological Satellites

EEA - European Environment Agency

ESMC - European Union Satellite Centre

FRONTEX - The European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union

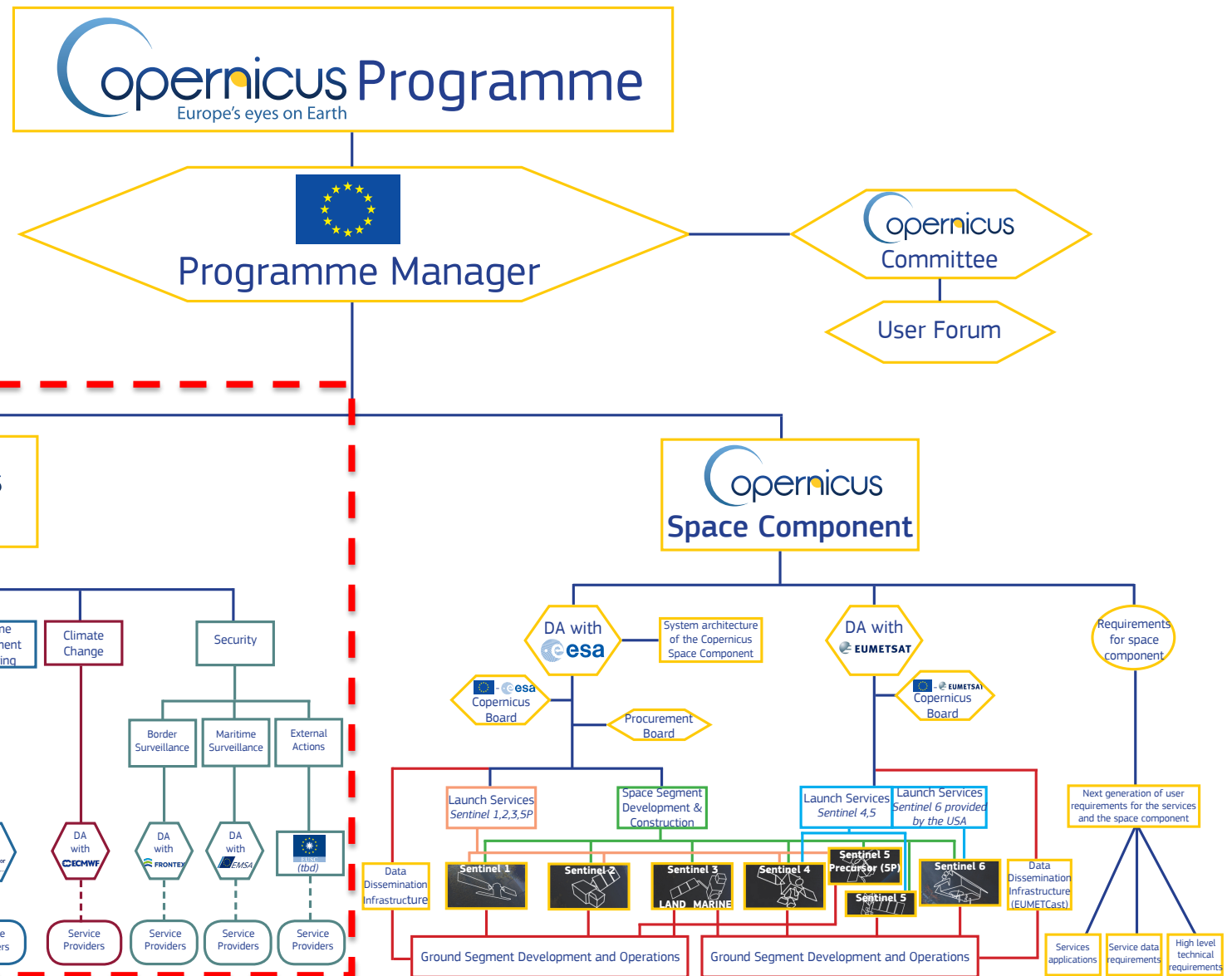
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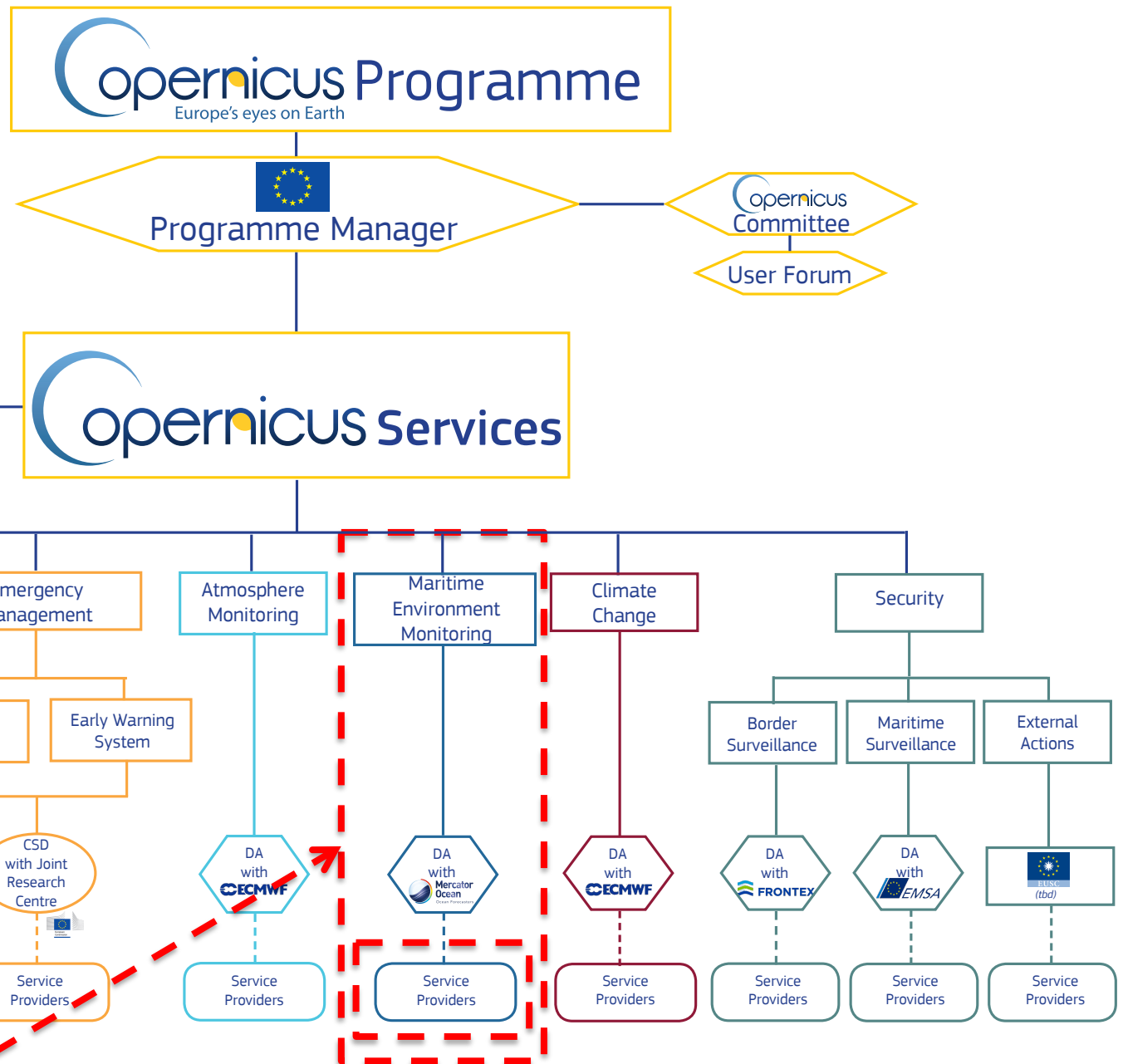
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**Legend:**  
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--- Copernicus component  
--- Grants  
Mode of Implementation (direct/indirect):  
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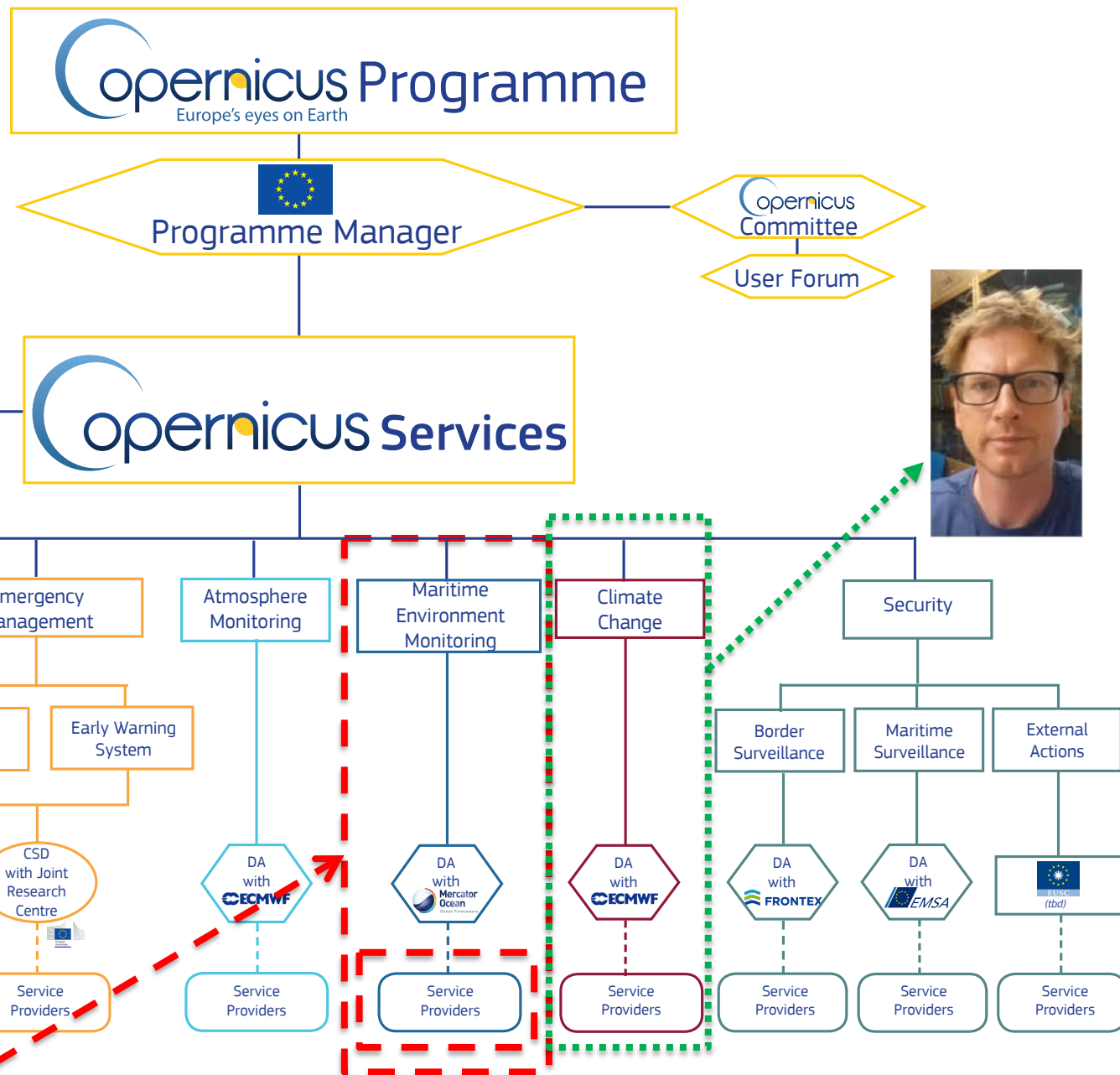


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**Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS)**



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Copernicus components

Mode of Implementation (direct/indirect):

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**Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS)**



# Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS) is a one-stop-shop for marine data

**It provides state-of-the-art analyses and forecasts daily, which offer an unprecedented capability to observe, understand and anticipate marine environment events, and reanalyses to assess decadal changes since the satellite era**





# Operational Oceanography User-centered Services

Why? For whom?



Safety of navigation



Coastal protection and erosion



Search and Rescue



Pollution emergencies



Climate Change



Protection&management of marine ecosystems



Off-shore activities



Military activities



Renewable energies



Fishery & acquaculture



Tourism



Harbours




# Vocabulary of products and variables

1. What kind of **information** can be found?
2. How is organized the CMEMS **service**?
3. What is available for the Mediterranean and Black Seas in CMEMS **catalogue**?



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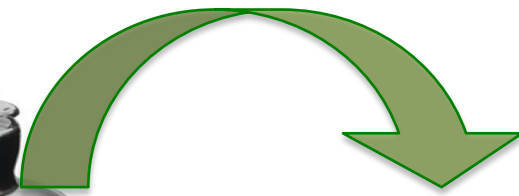
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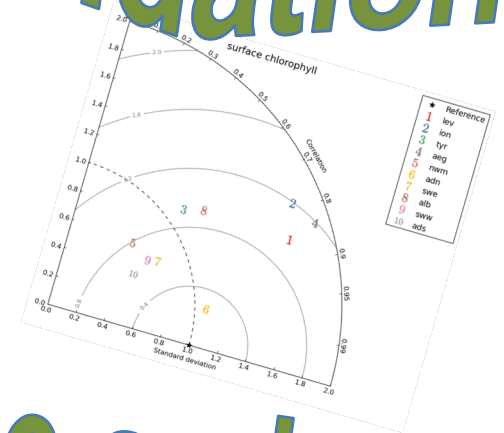
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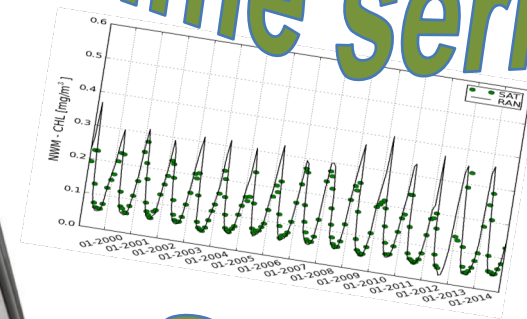
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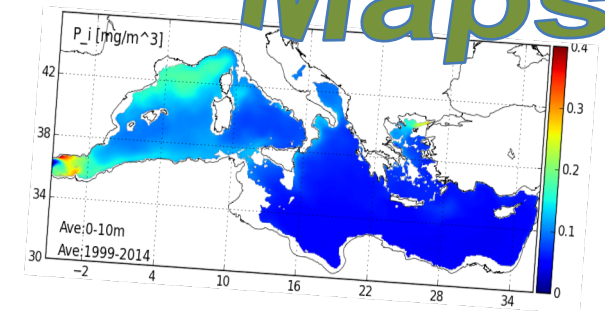
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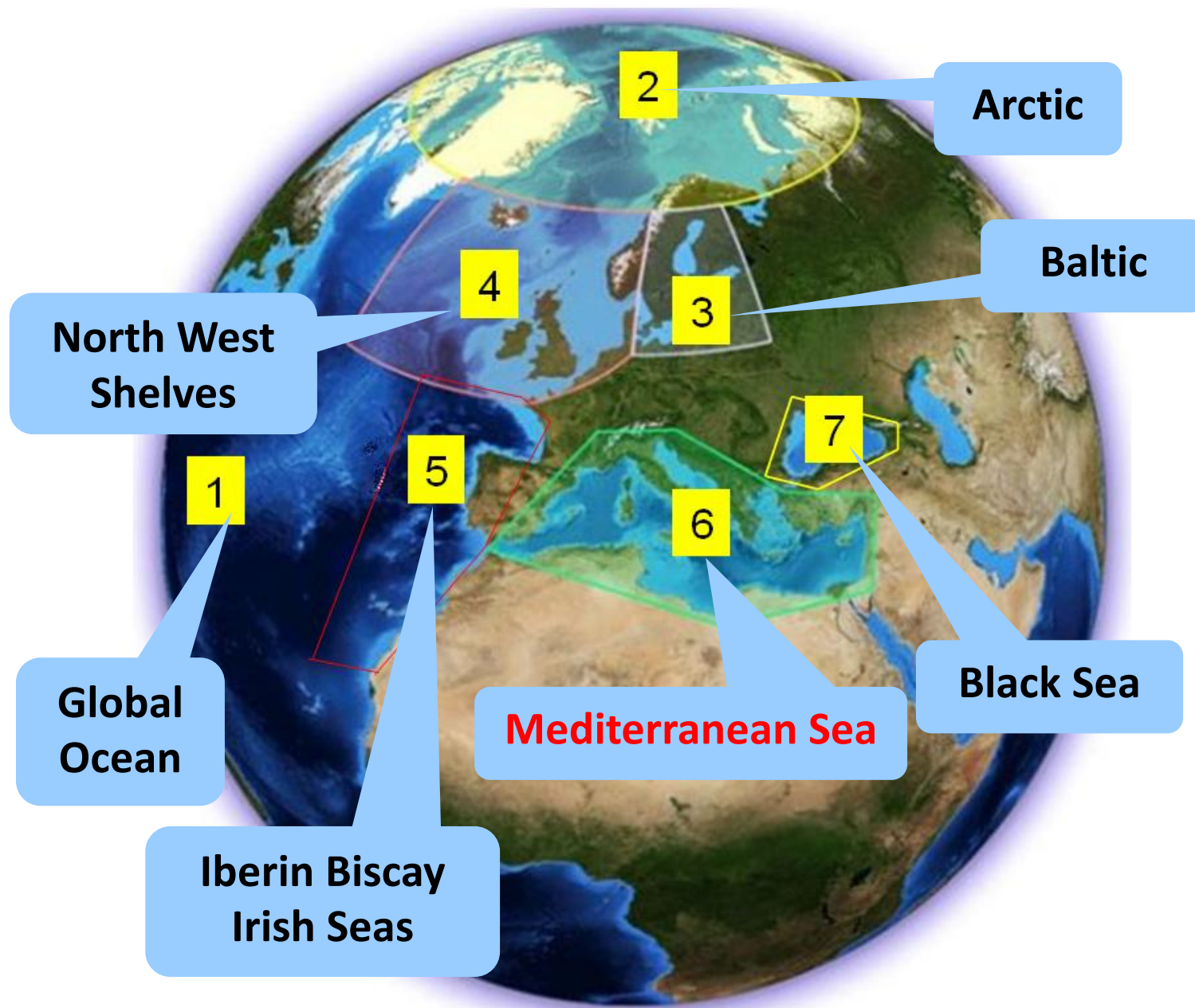


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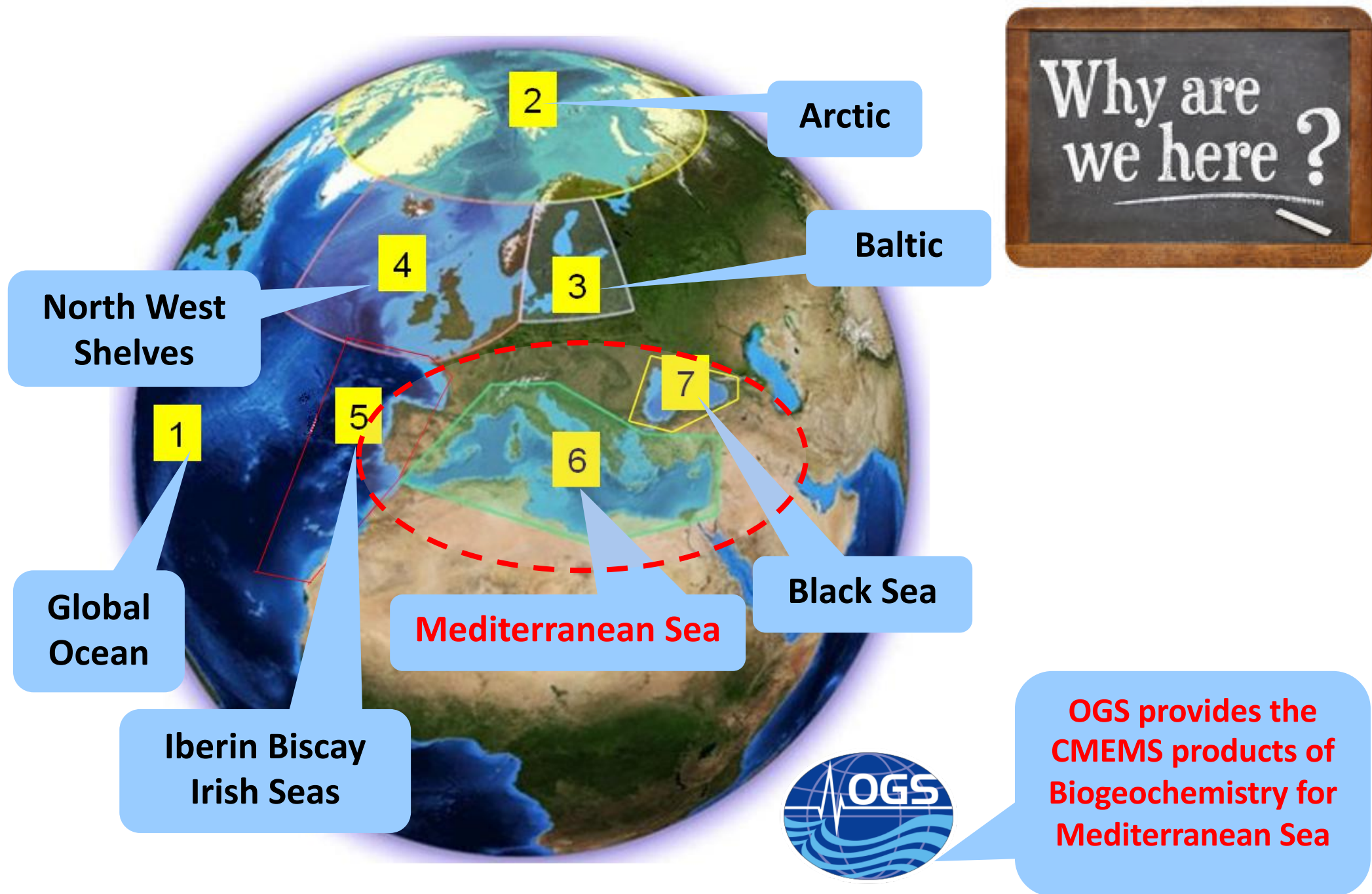


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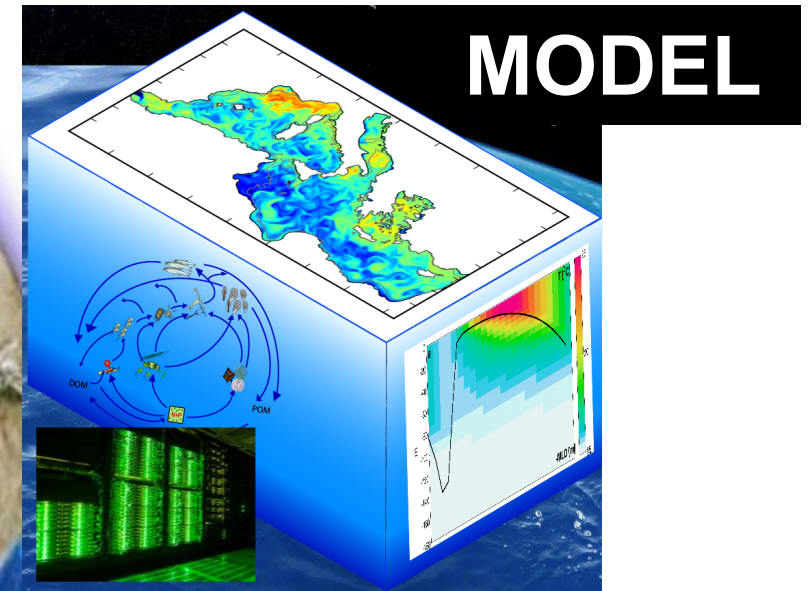
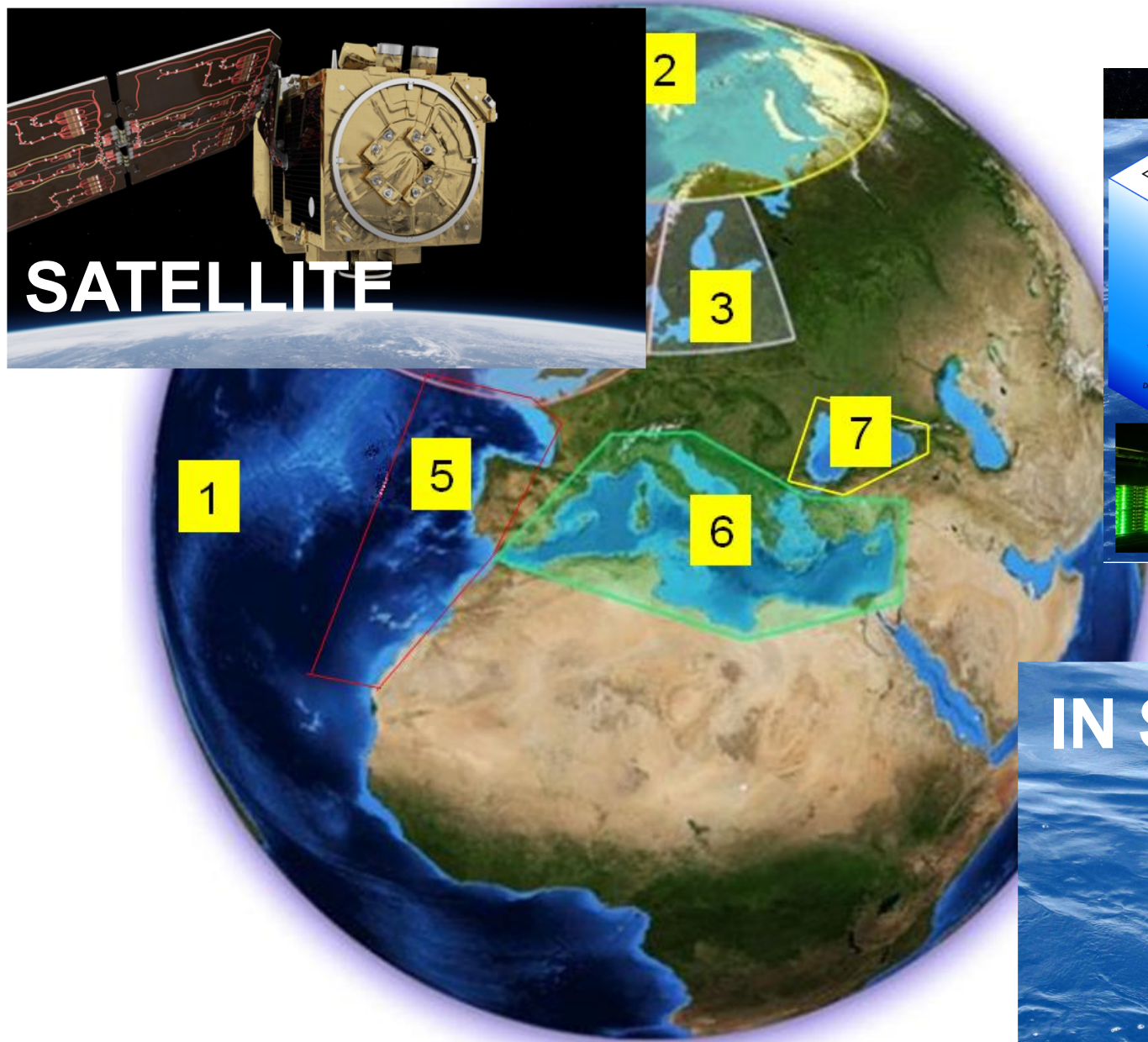


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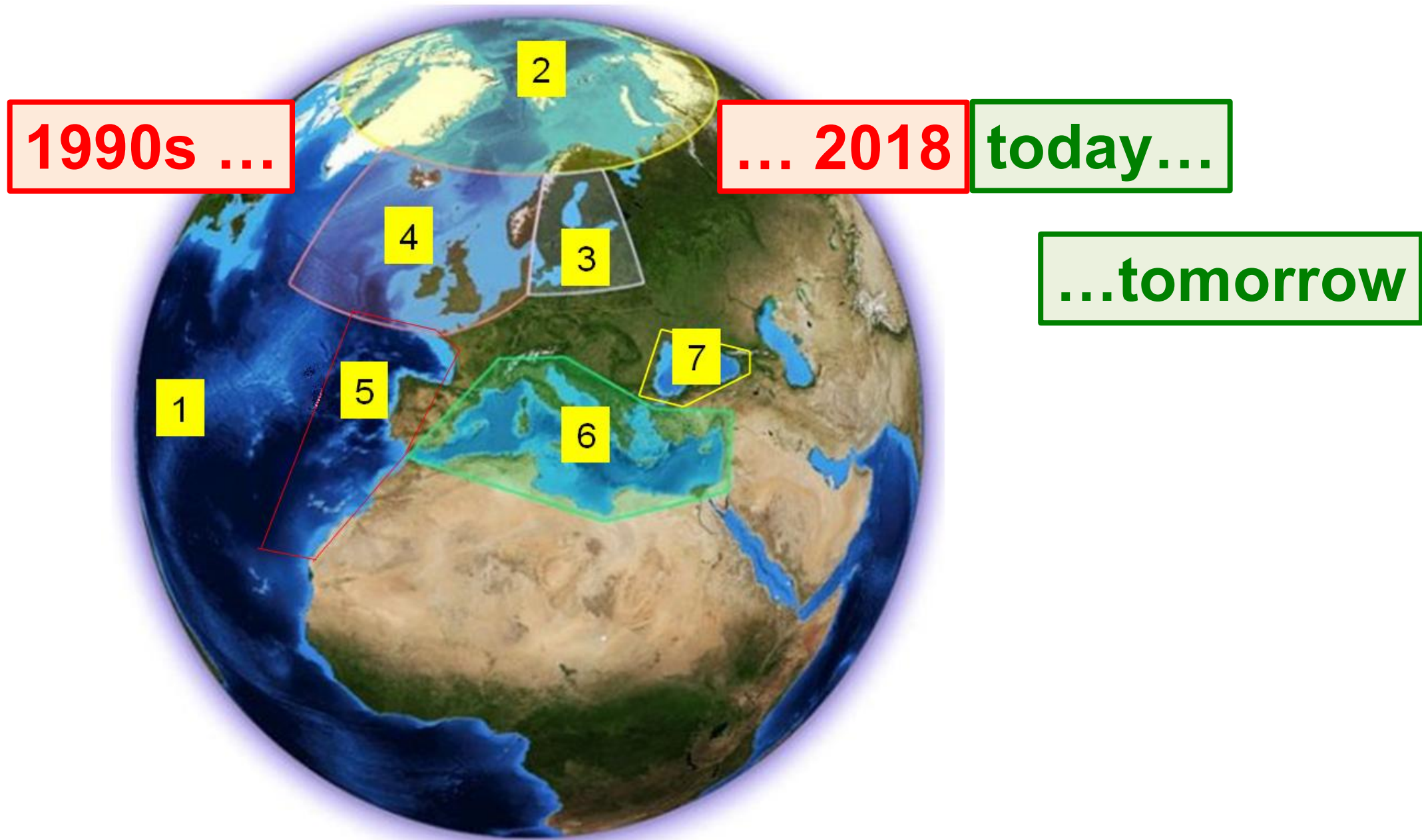


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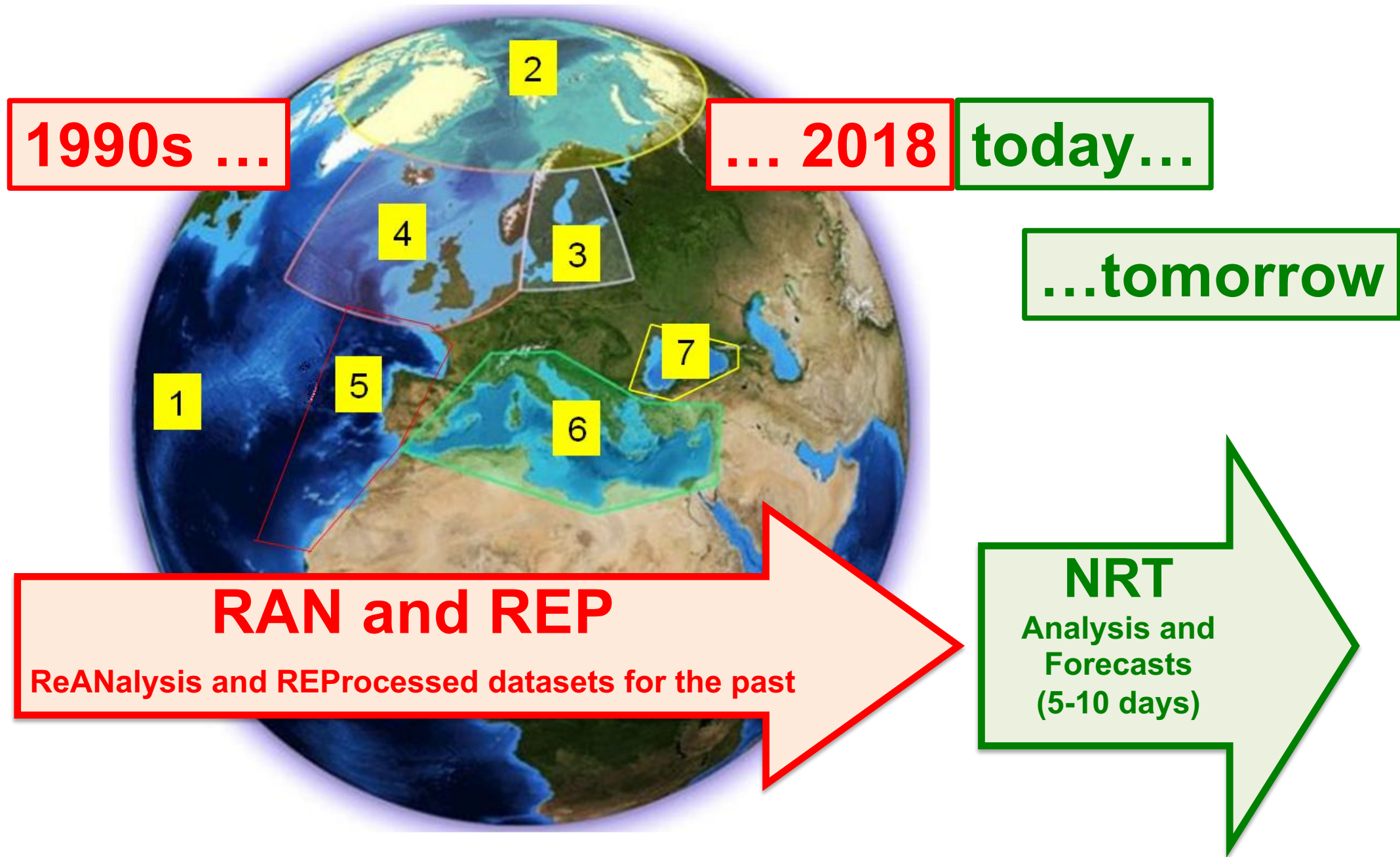


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## IN SITU products:

- area: global or regional
- spatial resolution: discrete data (L2) or spatially interpolated at 1/4deg (L4)
- update: daily/weekly (NRT) or yearly (REP)
- variables: T, S, few BIO

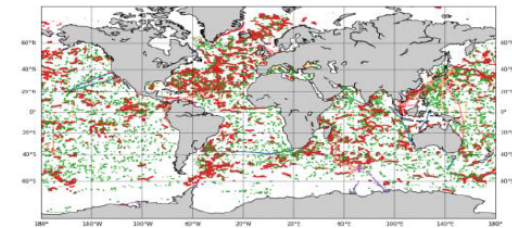


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## WHICH PRODUCTS IN CMEMS CATALOGUE? (2/2)

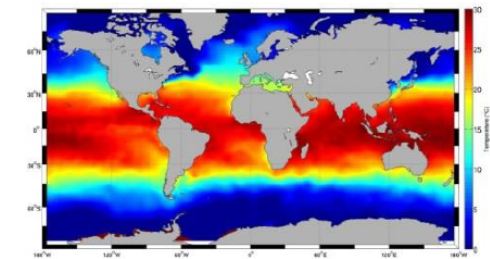
**In-Situ Observations products over the GLOBAL Ocean and European Seas are sorted into 2 categories:**

- **L2 discreet - Real Time or Reprocessed -**  
**INSITU\_(AREA)\_TS\_L2\_(NRT)or(REP)\_OBSERVATIONS\_013\_XXX**



- **L4 gridded Objective Analysis - 1/4 ° - Real Time or Reprocessed**  
**(Global Ocean only)**

**INSITU\_GLO\_TS\_L4\_(NRT)or(REP)\_OBSERVATIONS\_013\_XXX**



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## SATELLITE products:

- area: global or regional
- spatial resolution: gridded (L3) or interpolated (L4) at 1km
- update: daily/weekly (NRT) or yearly (REP)
- variables: SST, SL, WIND, CHL, OPTICS



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## WHICH PRODUCTS IN CMEMS CATALOGUE? (1/2)

OCEAN COLOUR Satellite products over the GLOBAL Ocean and all European Seas are sorted into 2 categories:

- **CHL: Chlorophyll-A**

L3 or L4 - Real Time and Reprocessed

OCEANCOLOUR\_(AREA)\_CHL\_(L4)or(L3)\_(NRT)or(REP)\_OBSERVATIONS\_009\_XXX

- **OPTICS: Optical Water Properties (as Turbidity...)**

L3 or L4 - Real Time and Reprocessed

OCEANCOLOUR\_(AREA)\_OPTICS\_(L4)or(L3)\_(NRT )or (REP)\_OBSERVATIONS\_009\_XXX



# MODEL products:

- area: global or regional
- spatial resolution: gridded (L4) at different resolutions (for Med: 1/24 and 1/16deg)
- update: daily (NRT) or yearly (RAN)
- variables: PHY (T,S,current...), BIO (CHL, nutrients, pCO2...), WAV (SWH and other wave properties)



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## WHICH PRODUCTS IN CMEMS CATALOGUE?

Ocean Models products over the GLOBAL Ocean and all European Seas are sorted into 2 categories:

- **REAL TIME Model Analysis and Forecast**

GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_(PHY)or(BIO)or(WAV)\_00x\_xxx

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BLKSEA\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_(PHY)or(BIO)or(WAV)\_00x\_xx

- **MULTIYEAR Model Time Series: Reanalysis of the past**

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ARCTIC\_REANALYSIS\_(PHY)or(BIO)\_00x\_xx

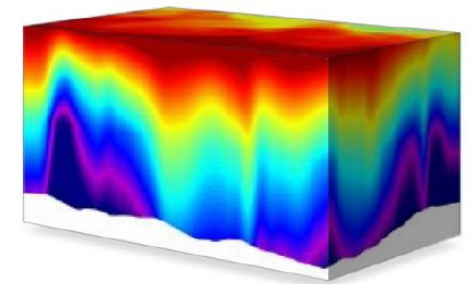
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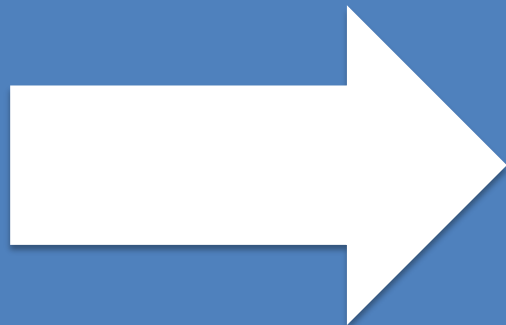
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...click on

<http://marine.copernicus.eu>

and select

**SERVICE PORTFOLIO /  
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marine.copernicus.eu/services-portfolio/access-to-products/

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**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHY\_001\_024**  
GLOBAL OCEAN 1/12° PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY

MODEL	● ● ● ● ●	GLO
T bottomT S SSH UV MLD SIC SIT SIUV	①	
0.083 degree x 0.083 degree (50 depth levels)		
From 2006-12-27 to Present		
monthly-mean, daily-mean, hourly-mean		
MORE INFO	ADD TO CART	WMS Sub-setting

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_BIO\_001\_014**  
GLOBAL OCEAN BIOGEOCHEMISTRY ANALYSIS AND WEEKLY FORECAST

MODEL	● ● ● ● ● X X	GLO
CHL PHYC O2 NO3 PO4 SI FE PP	①	
0.5 degree x 0.5 degree (50 depth levels)		
From 2012-01-01 to Present		
weekly-mean		
MORE INFO	ADD TO CART	WMS Sub-setting

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHYS\_001\_015**  
GLOBAL OCEAN 1/4° PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY

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0.25 degree x 0.25 degree (43 depth levels)		
From 2014-03-14 to Present		
daily-mean, hourly-instantaneous		
MORE INFO	ADD TO CART	WMS Sub-setting

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_WAV\_001\_027**  
GLOBAL OCEAN WAVES ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY

MODEL	●	GLO
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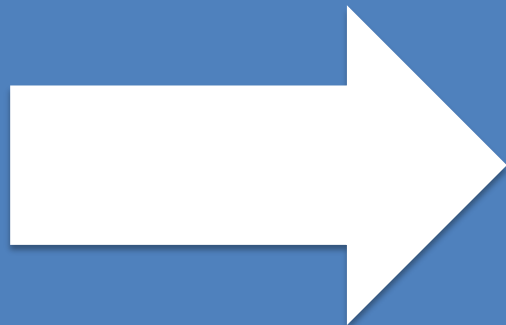
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Search by keyword

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All areas

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**TEMPORAL COVERAGE**  
From 1992-01-01 To 2018-06-28  
☐ If checked, the search results will only show products containing the whole selected time range

**PRODUCT WITH DEPTH LEVEL** ☐

Found **157 ocean products** matching your criteria. Export results

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHY\_001\_024**  
GLOBAL OCEAN PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY  
GLO

bottomT S SSH UV MLD SIC SIT SIUV  
0.083 degree x 0.083 degree (50 depth levels)  
From 2006-12-27 to Present  
monthly-mean, daily-mean, hourly-mean

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_BIO\_001\_014**  
GLOBAL OCEAN BIOGEOCHEMISTRY ANALYSIS AND WEEKLY FORECAST  
GLO

MODEL CHL PHYC O2 NO3 PO4 SI FE PP  
0.5 degree x 0.5 degree (50 depth levels)  
From 2012-01-01 to Present  
weekly-mean

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

**GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHYS\_001\_015**  
GLOBAL OCEAN 1/4° PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY  
GLO

MODEL T bottomT S SSH UV MLD SIC SIT SIUV  
0.25 degree x 0.25 degree (43 depth levels)  
From 2014-03-14 to Present  
daily-mean, hourly-instantaneous

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

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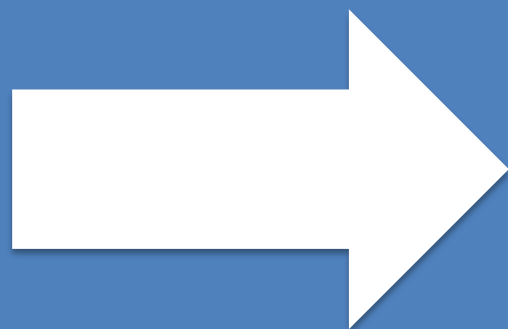


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**PARAMETERS** ▶

**TEMPORAL COVERAGE**  
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**PRODUCT WITH DEPTH LEVEL** ☐

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**MEDSEA\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHY\_006\_013**  
MEDITERRANEAN SEA PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST

0.042 degree x 0.042 degree (141 depth levels)  
From 2016-01-01 to Present  
monthly-mean, daily-mean, hourly-mean

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

Potential Temperature [°C] 01/01/2015 00:00 UTC

**MEDSEA\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_WAV\_006\_017**  
MEDITERRANEAN SEA WAVES ANALYSIS AND FORECAST

MODEL X X X X  
SSH SWH MWP VMDR VSDXY WW SW1 SW2  
0.042 degree x 0.042 degree (Surface only)  
From 2017-01-01 to Present  
hourly-instantaneous

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

Spectral Significant Wave Height (m) 15/01/2019 12:00 UTC

**MEDSEA\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_BIO\_006\_014**  
MEDITERRANEAN SEA BIOGEOCHEMISTRY ANALYSIS AND FORECAST

MODEL X X X X X  
SSH CHL PHYC O2 NO3 PO4 PP  
0.042 degree x 0.042 degree (125 depth levels)  
From 2017-01-01 to Present  
monthly-mean, daily-mean

MORE INFO ADD TO CART WMS Sub-setting

Chlorophyll Concentration [mg/m³] 01/01/2017 12:00 UTC

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IN SITU DATA	1+1	1+1	
SATELLITE DATA	9+8	16+17	
MODEL DATA	3+3	3+3	3+3

## SST in the past: information from IN SITU products

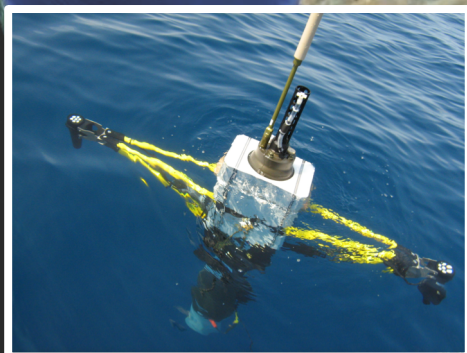
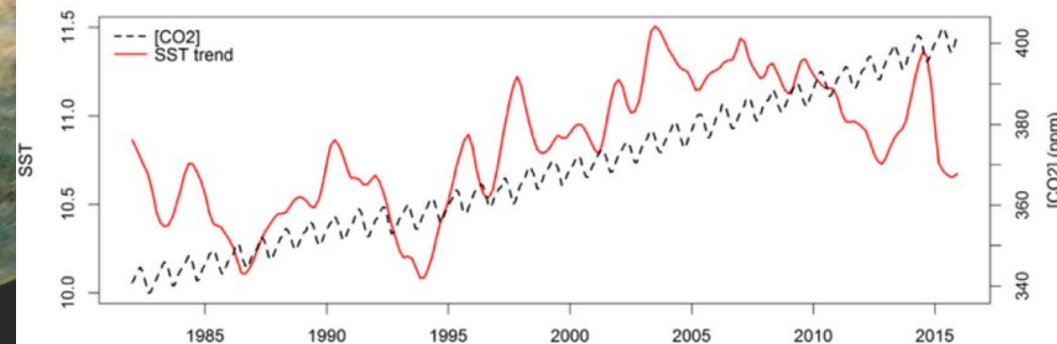
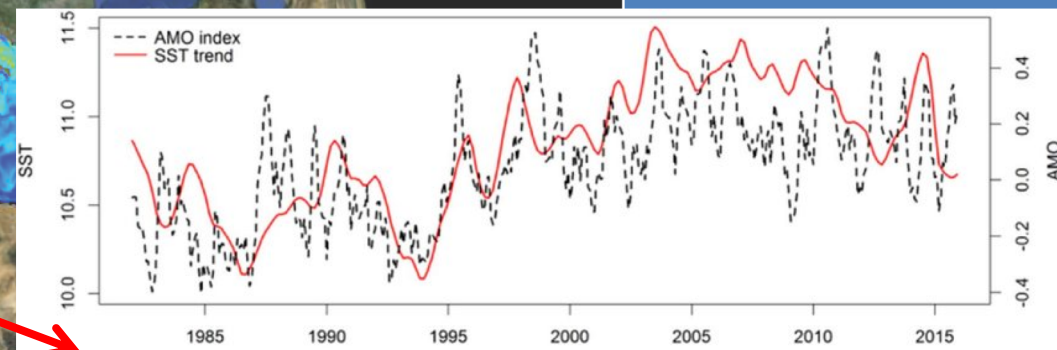
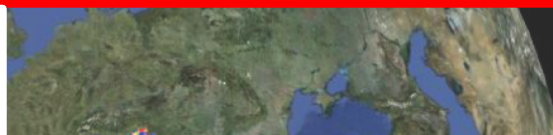


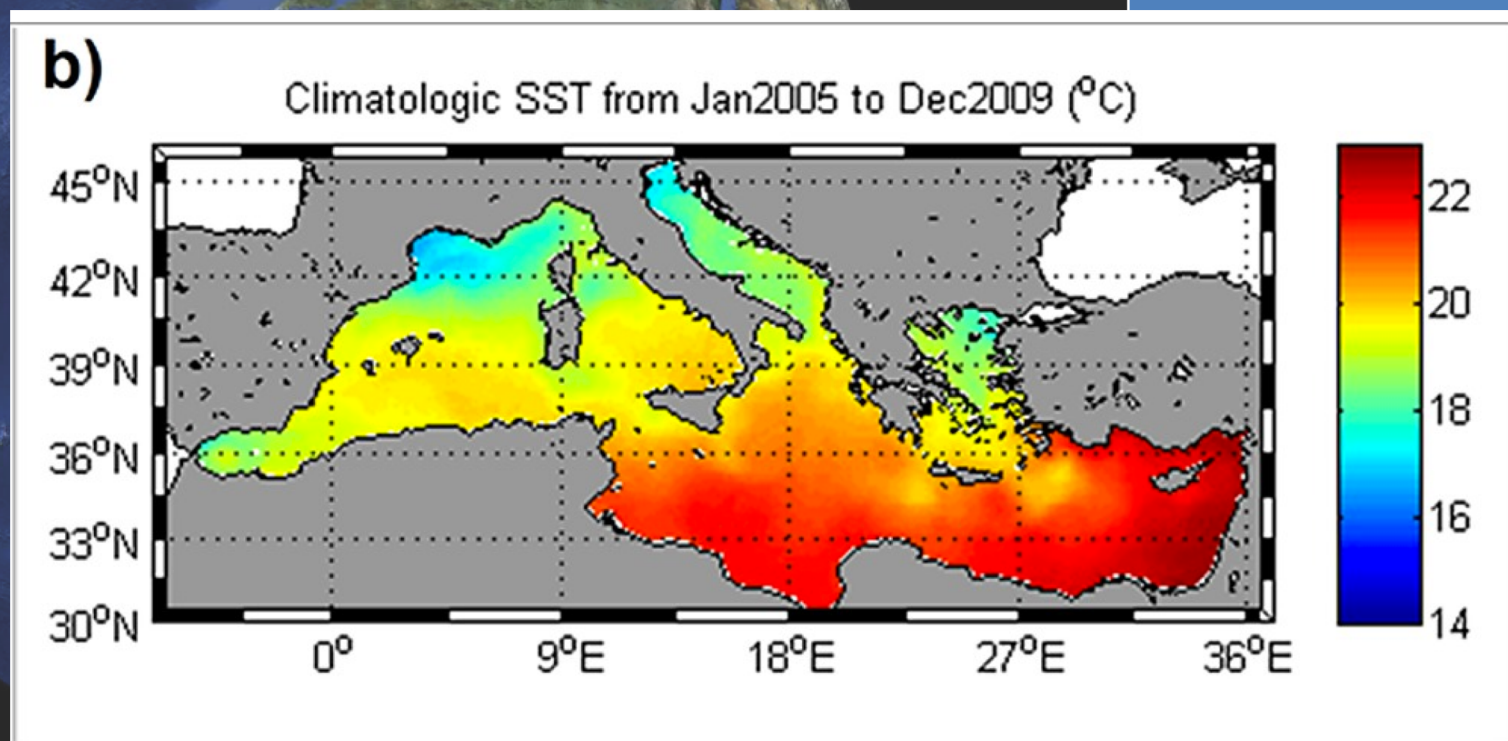
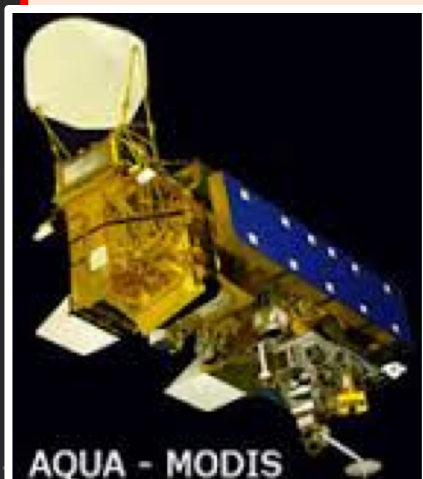
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MED + BLKSEA CMEMS products	REPROCESSED / REANALYSIS	NRT-DT / ANALYSIS	FORECAST
IN SITU DATA	<b>1+1</b>	<b>1+1</b>	
SATELLITE DATA	<b>9+8</b>	<b>16+17</b>	
MODEL DATA	<b>3+3</b>	<b>3+3</b>	<b>3+3</b>

## SST in the past: information from SATELLITE products (L4)





MED + BLKSEA CMEMS products	REPROCESSED / REANALYSIS	NRT-DT / ANALYSIS	FORECAST
IN SITU DATA	1+1	1+1	
SATELLITE DATA	9+8	16+17	
MODEL DATA	3+3	3+3	3+3

## SST in the past: information from MODEL products



Potential Temperature (3D) - Monthly Mean  
sea water potential temperature  
Date: 1990-01-01 00:00 UTC  
Depth: 1.47m

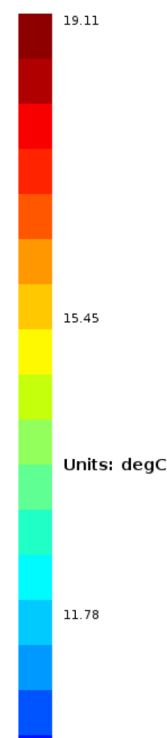
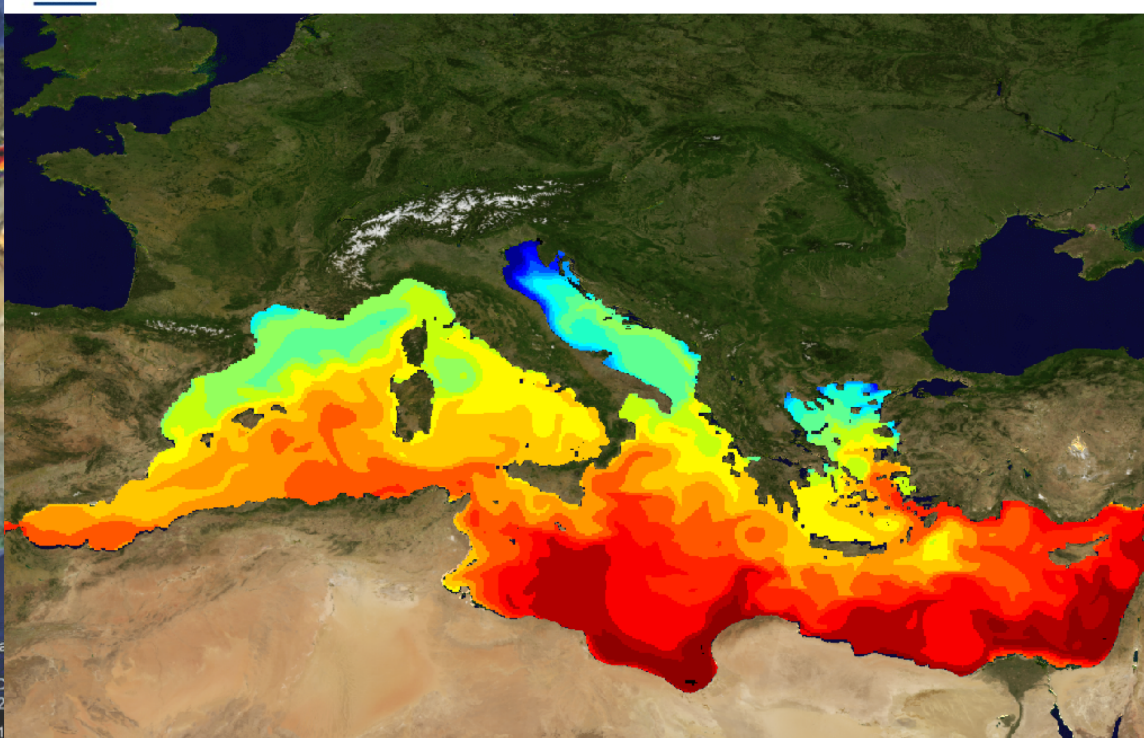


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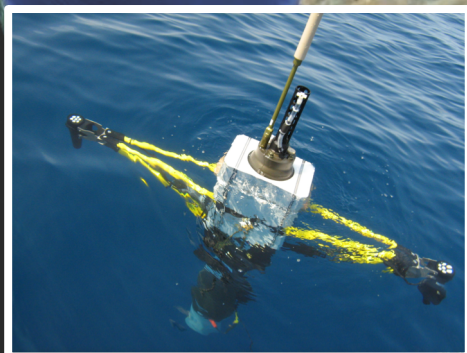
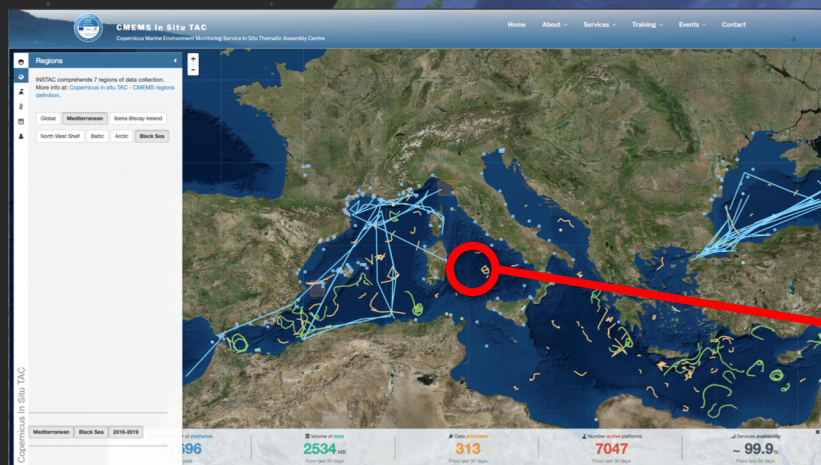
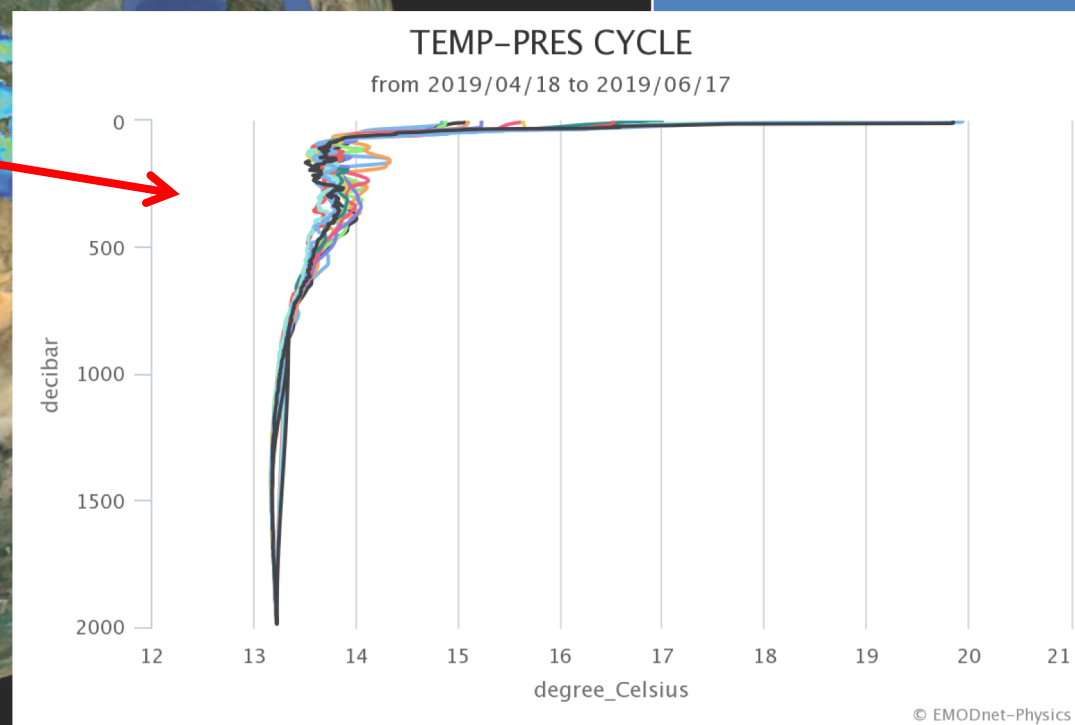


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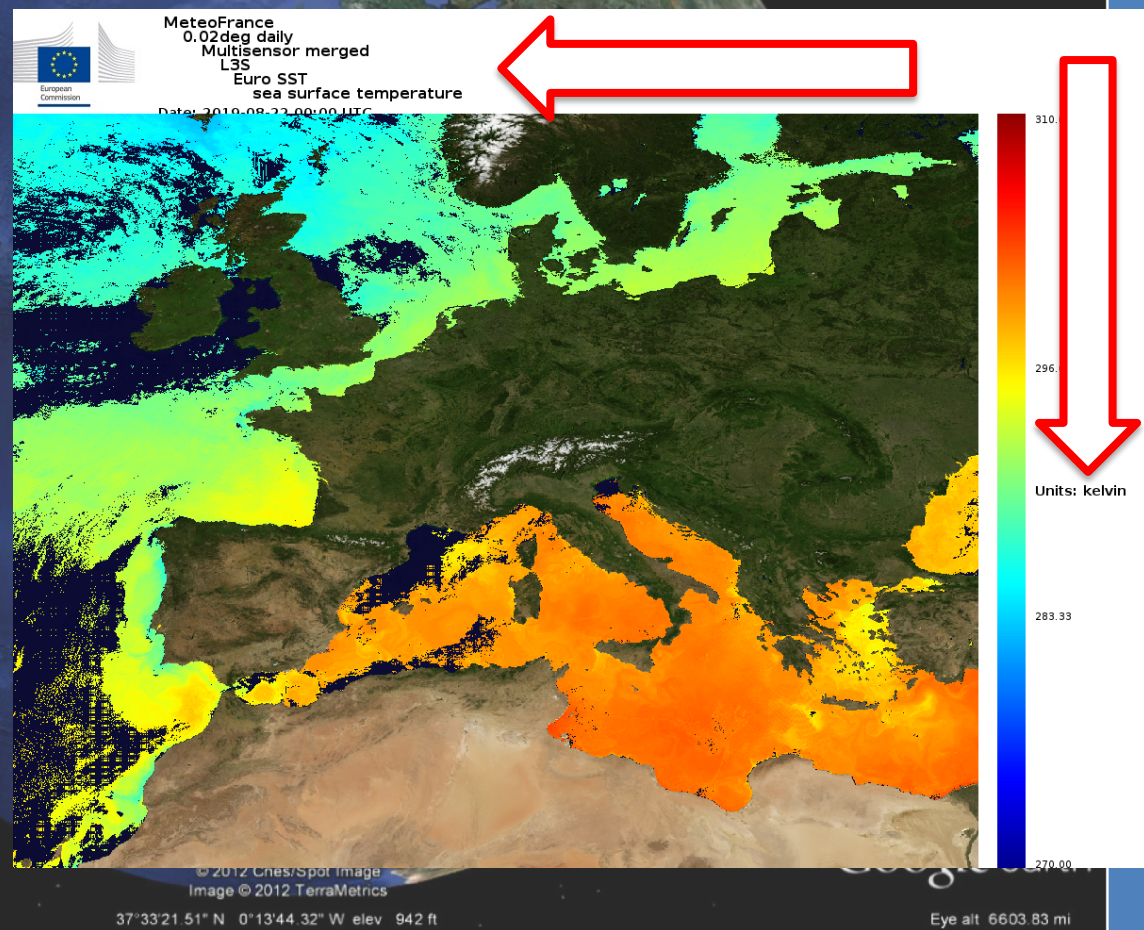
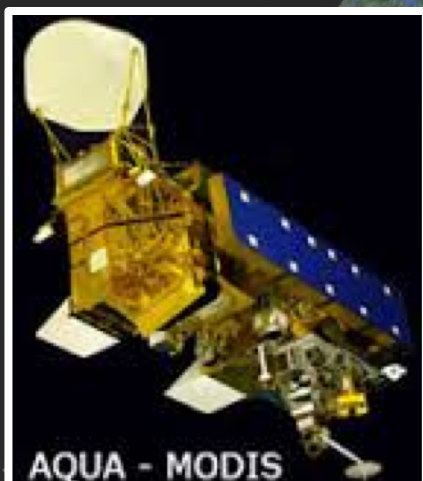
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## SST today: information from SATELLITE products (L3)





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MODEL DATA	3+3	3+3	3+3

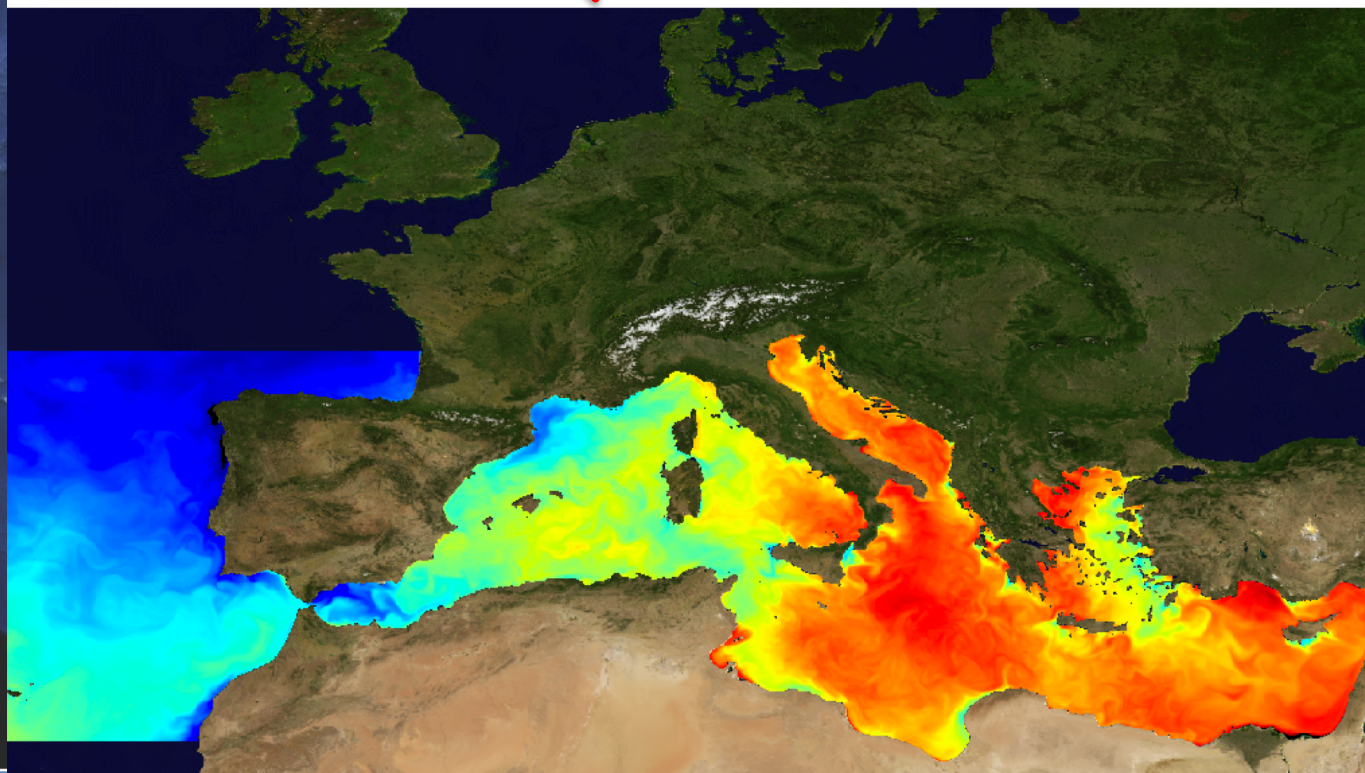
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Potential Temperature (3D) - Hourly Mean - time series  
sea water potential temperature

Date: 2019-06-21 00:30 UTC

Depth: 1.02m

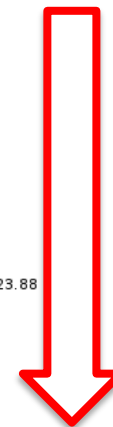


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23.88

19.60

Units: degC





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SATELLITE DATA	9+8	16+17	
MODEL DATA	3+3	3+3	3+3

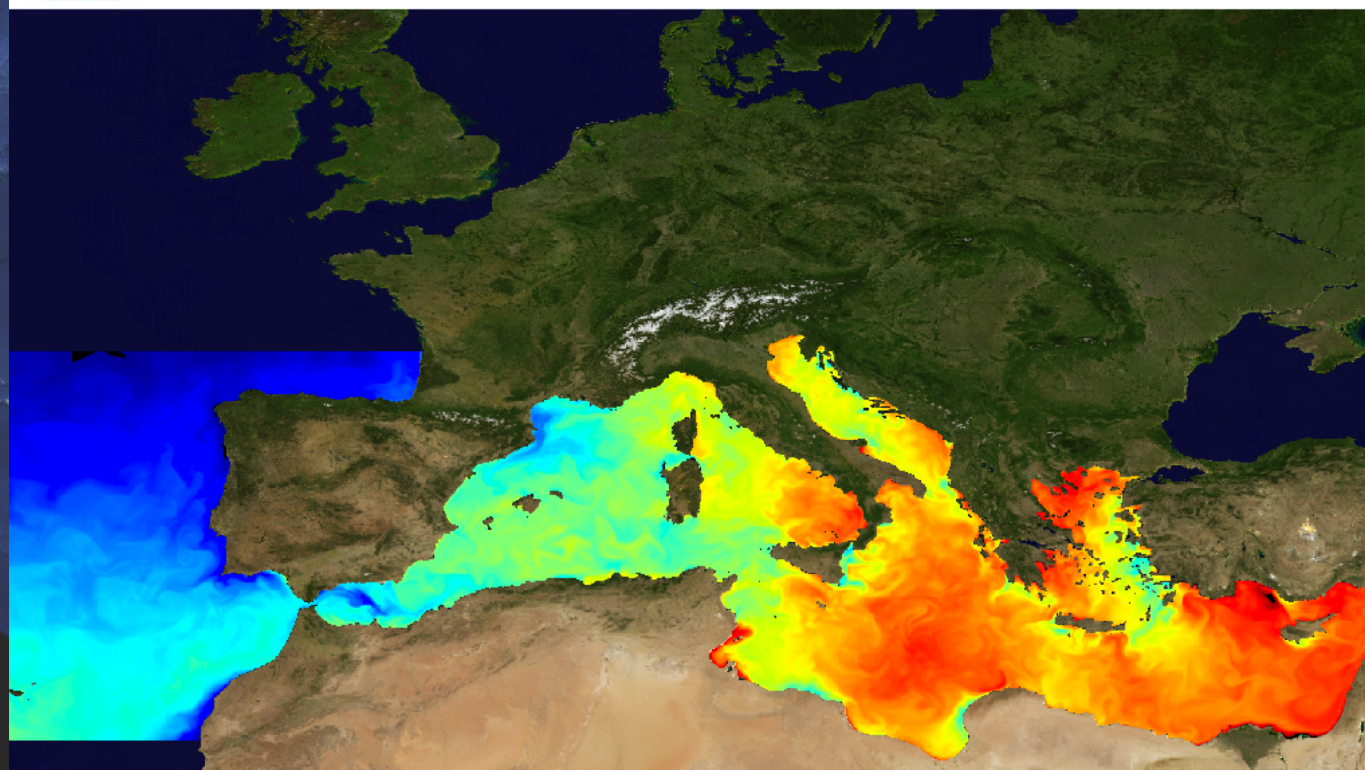
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sea water potential temperature

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Depth: 1.02m



29.20

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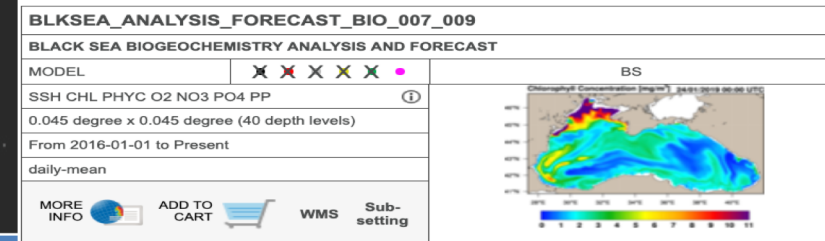
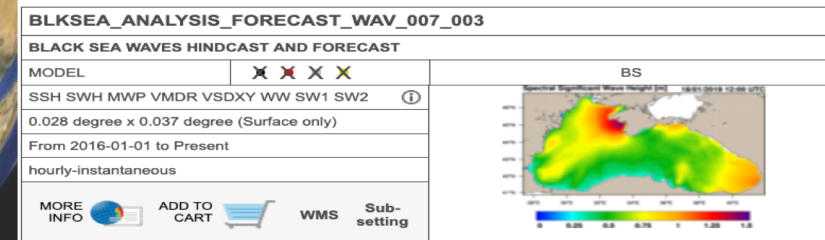
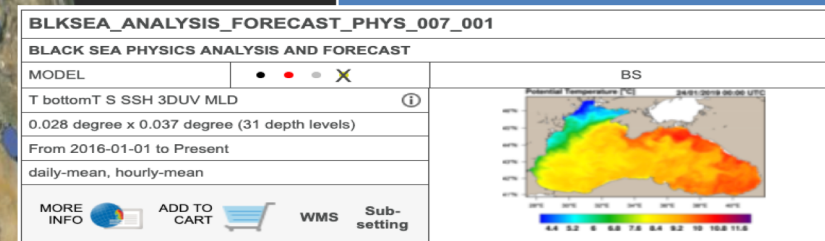
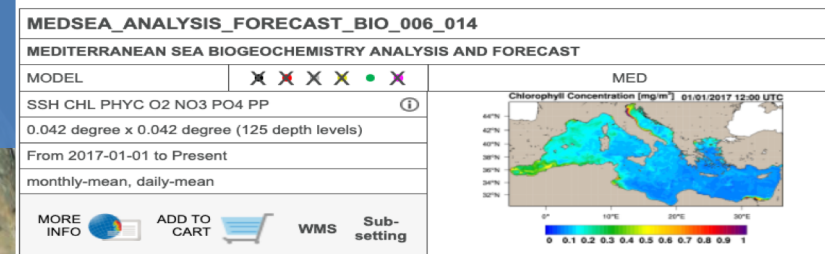
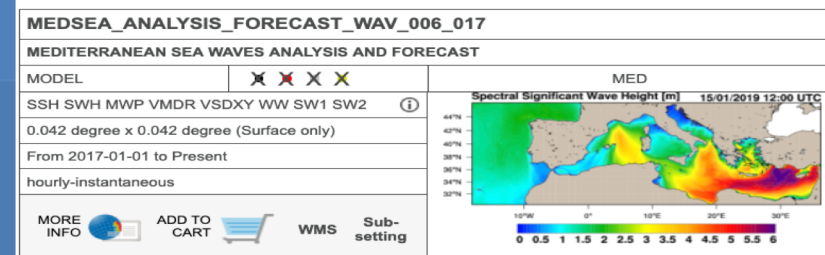
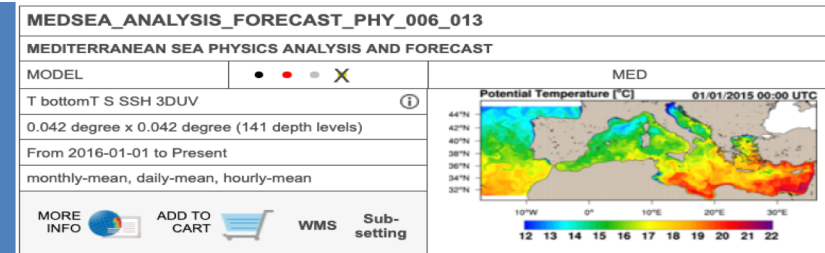
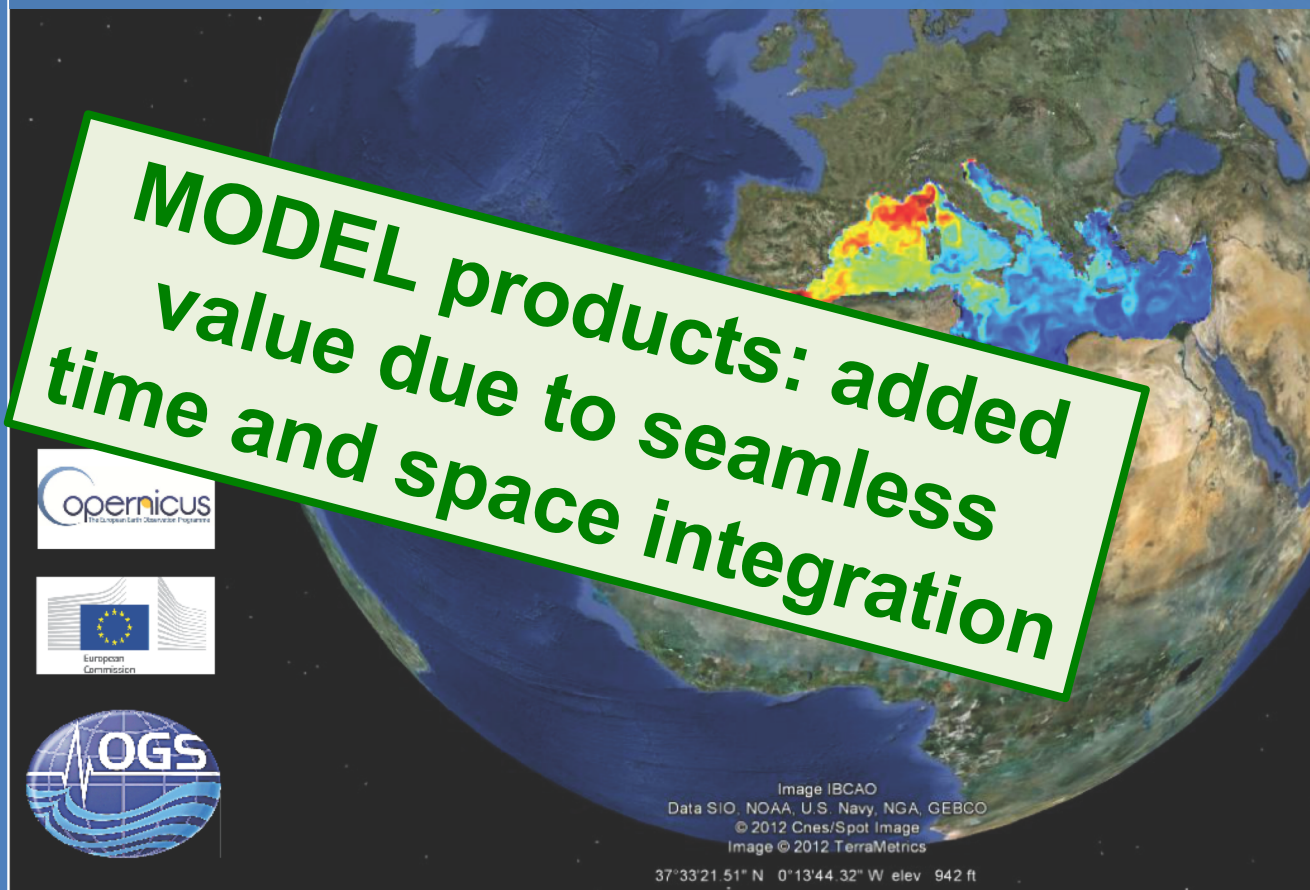
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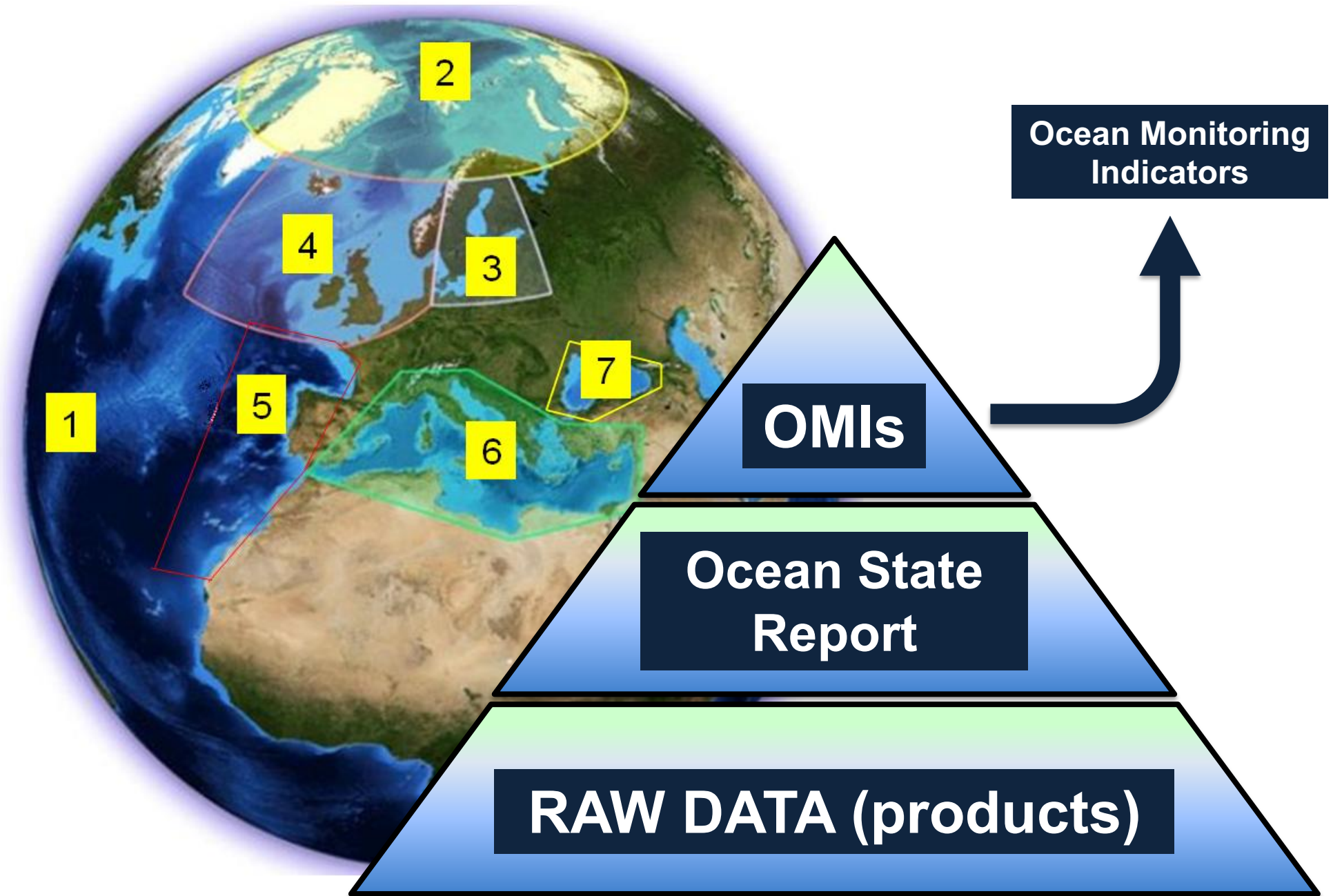
## Ex: **MODEL** products are PHY + BIO + WAV:

- Variables **PHY**: temperature, salinity, current, SSH, Stokes drift velocity, mean wave number, MLD, bottom temperature
- Variables **BIO**: chlorophyll, nitrate, phosphate, primary production, phytoplankton biomass, oxygen, pCO2, pH
- Variables **WAV**: significant wave height, wind and primary/secondary swell wave significant wave height, periods, direction, Stokes drift velocity
- Resolution: MED=1/24° - BS=1/36° x1/27° ; hourly/daily/monthly





# CMEMS products: three levels of information





# The Ocean State Report (OSR)

The [CMEMS OSR](#) is a comprehensive and state-of-the art **assessment** of the state of the global ocean and European regional seas for the ocean scientific community as well as for policy and decision-makers.

OSR provides a **4-D view**, from above and directly from the interior of the **blue, white and green global ocean and the EU regional seas**.

OSR has been conceived and intended as a **reference EU report** meant to contribute to reporting tasks and activities of EU policy makers, of environmental agencies in the EU (e.g. EEA), of Regional Sea Conventions, of EU Member States' decision makers and authorities concerned, of EU Peripheral Maritime Regions and of international organizations (e.g. IPCC, United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 14, OCDE...).

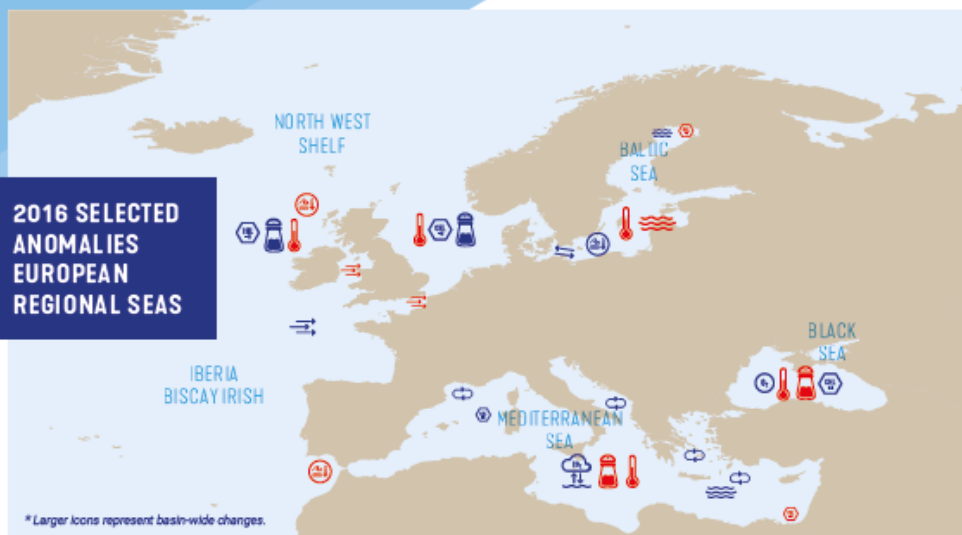
OSR aims at increasing general **public awareness** about the status of, and changes in, the marine environment.





# ANOMALIES 2016

## 2016 SELECTED ANOMALIES EUROPEAN REGIONAL SEAS



## LEGEND

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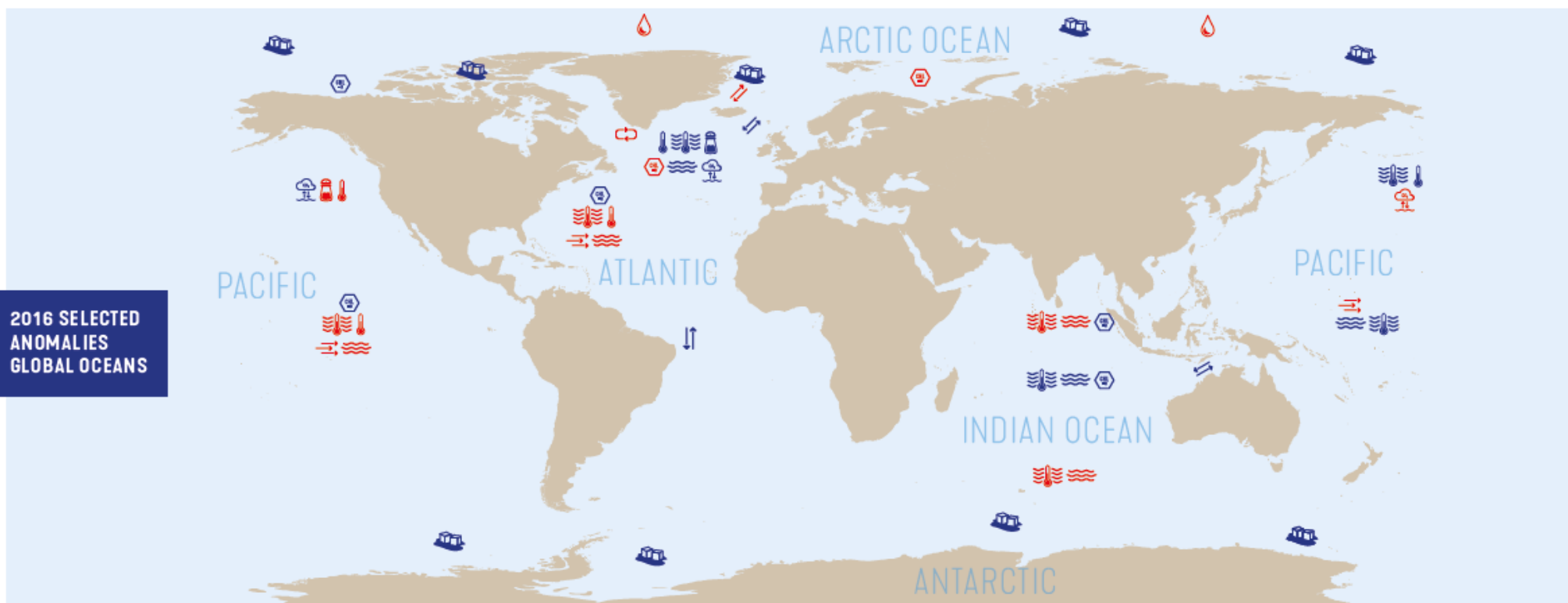
Symbols in BLUE signify a lower than average anomaly (lower than average quantity/amount)

	Ocean surface currents		Salinity
	Carbon dioxide sea-to-air exchange		Temperature
	Amount of oxygen		Convection
	Chl-a - Chlorophyll-a		Sea level
	Significant wave height		Ocean transport
	Ocean heat content		Ocean freshwater content
	Sea ice extent		Extreme variability

## ANOMALIES

In this report "anomaly" is defined as the difference of a measurement when compared to an average over a long time period. For example, the sea surface temperature in 2016 (in some areas) was higher than the sea surface temperature averaged over 1993 to 2014 in those same areas.

## 2016 SELECTED ANOMALIES GLOBAL OCEANS

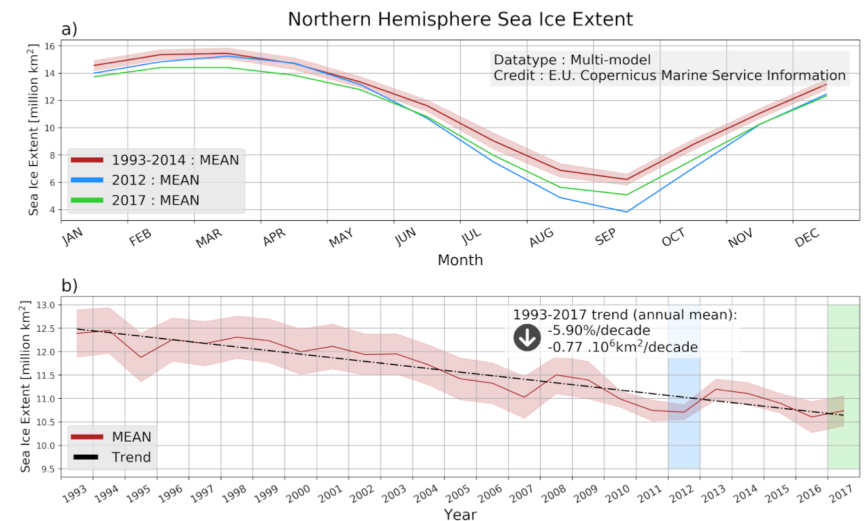
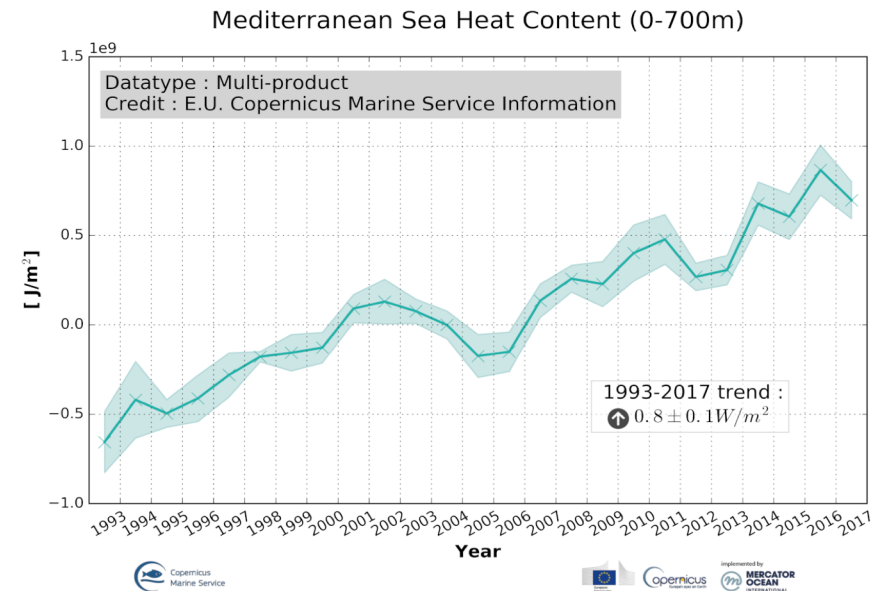




# The Ocean Monitoring Indicators (OMIs)

[CMEMS OMIs](#) are free downloadable **data sets** covering the past 25 years of the **key variables used to monitor the oceanic trends in line with climate change**, including ocean warming, sea level rise and melting of sea ice. This **free and open ocean information** allows users to track the vital health signs of the ocean over the past quarter of a century.

- Ocean Heat Content: anomalies and trends, time series and maps 1993-2017
- Sea Level: averaged mean and regional trends, time series and maps 1993-2017
- Sea Ice: sea ice extent time series 1979-2017
- Next OMIs for biogeochemistry and waves



# How to access and appraise data

1. **Visualize** the CMEMS data
2. **Download** the CMEMS data
3. **Manipulate** the CMEMS data
4. How to understand the **quality** of the CMEMS products?



# How to visualize the CMEMS data

Visualizing the products through the Copernicus Web-portal

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ONLINE CATALOGUE

CATALOGUE PDF

FIRST VISIT ?

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Global Ocean 1/12° Physics Analysis and Forecast updated Daily

Product id: GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHYS\_001\_002

Dataset: daily mean fields from Global Ocean Physics Analysis and Forecast updated Daily

Variable: sea\_water\_potential\_temperature

Units: K Time: 2014-07-11 12:00:00.000Z Depth (m): -0.49

NO NEED TO BE REGISTERED TO VIEW PRODUCT

CHANGE GEOGRAPHIC PROJECTION  
(e.g. NORTH POLAR STEREOGRAPHIC)

SAVE AS .KMZ  
GoogleEarth format

MAKE A MOVIE

DOWNLOAD DOCUMENTATION

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# How to download the CMEMS data

Downloading the products, then manipulating and visualizing by your own

You need:

- registration to CMEMS service
- choose among 3 different protocols
- disk space to store NetCDF file
- software that interactively visualizes NetCDF files
- NetCDF library (e.g. for Python, Fortran, Matlab)
- some computer skills 😊

See dedicated tutorial at <http://marine.copernicus.eu/tutorials/how-to-download-products-service-release-septembre-2015/>

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You can check the size of your request here

**According to chosen product, various **DOWNLOAD** mechanisms are available :**

**1 - THE SUBSETTER DOWNLOAD :**  
HTTPS protocol, allow to subset on (areas / depth / time / variable), available for 75% of the products

**2 - THE DIRECTGETFILE DOWNLOAD :**  
HTTPS protocol, download the whole file with a time selection, available for 40% of the products

**3 - THE MYOCEAN FTP DOWNLOAD :**  
FTP protocol, download the whole file, available for 85% of the products

**SUBSETTER**  
The following criteria are taken into account with subsetting:  
◦ Geographical area  
◦ Depth  
◦ Time range  
◦ Variables  
VIEW SCRIPT  
The maximum amount of data that can be downloaded is 2048 MB.

**DIRECT GET FILE**  
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**MYOCEAN FTP**  
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# Software for NetCDF files:

**NetCDF:** network Common Data Form (format for matrices of multivariate data organized in space and time)

Several options for different platforms, different skills and performances

Computer software:



**Ferret**

<http://ferret.pmel.noaa.gov/Ferret/home>



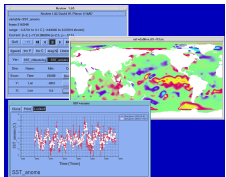
**IVE -The Interactive Visualization Environment**

<http://www.atmos.washington.edu/ive/>



**ncBrowse**

<http://www.epic.noaa.gov/java/ncBrowse/>



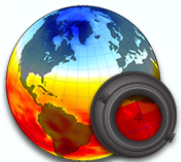
**NcView**

<ftp://cirrus.ucsd.edu/pub/ncview/>



**QGIS**

<http://www.qgis.org/en/site/>



**Panoply**

<http://www.giss.nasa.gov/tools/panoply/>

*Interactively visualizing*

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Computer Programming languages: **FORTRAN, C, visual basic**



**Python**

<https://www.python.org/>



**MATLAB (Matrix Laboratory)**

[www.mathworks.com](http://www.mathworks.com)



**R**

[www.r-project.org](http://www.r-project.org)



**GNU Octave**

[www.gnu.org/software/octave/](http://www.gnu.org/software/octave/)



**NCO**

[nco.sourceforge.net](http://nco.sourceforge.net)



**GRADS**

<http://cola.gmu.edu/grads/>

*Manipulating and plotting*



# Appropriateness of the data given a specific investigation



Which instrument to measure the dimensions of a table?



# Appropriateness of the data given a specific investigation



Which instrument to measure the dimensions of a table?

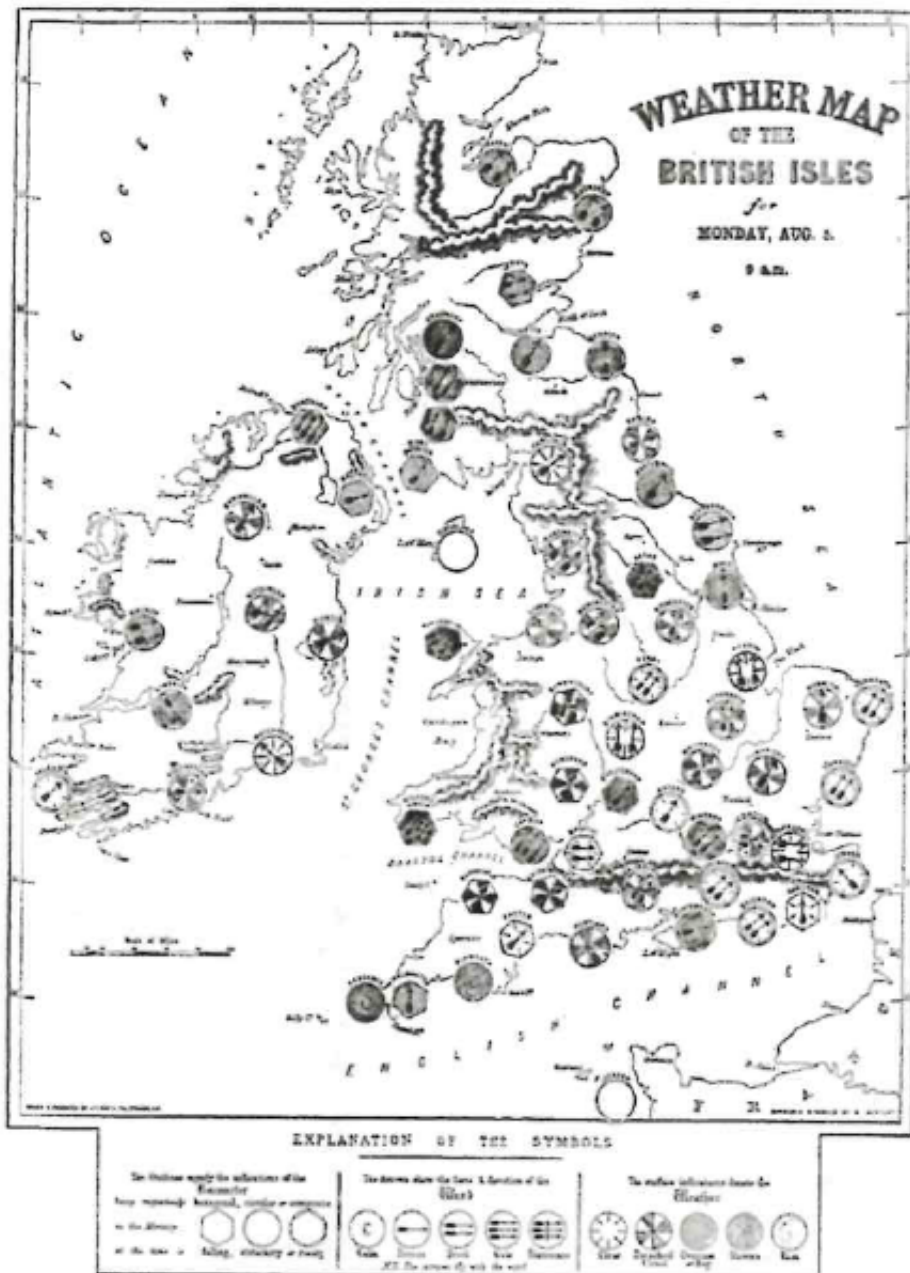


.. and to monitor/predict a harmful algal bloom?

[proper assessment of nutrients, oxygen, turbidity, mixed layer dynamics, fresh water run-off, species presence/abundance on the shelf at the proper temporal (hour/day) and spatial resolution (up to hundreds/tens of meters)]



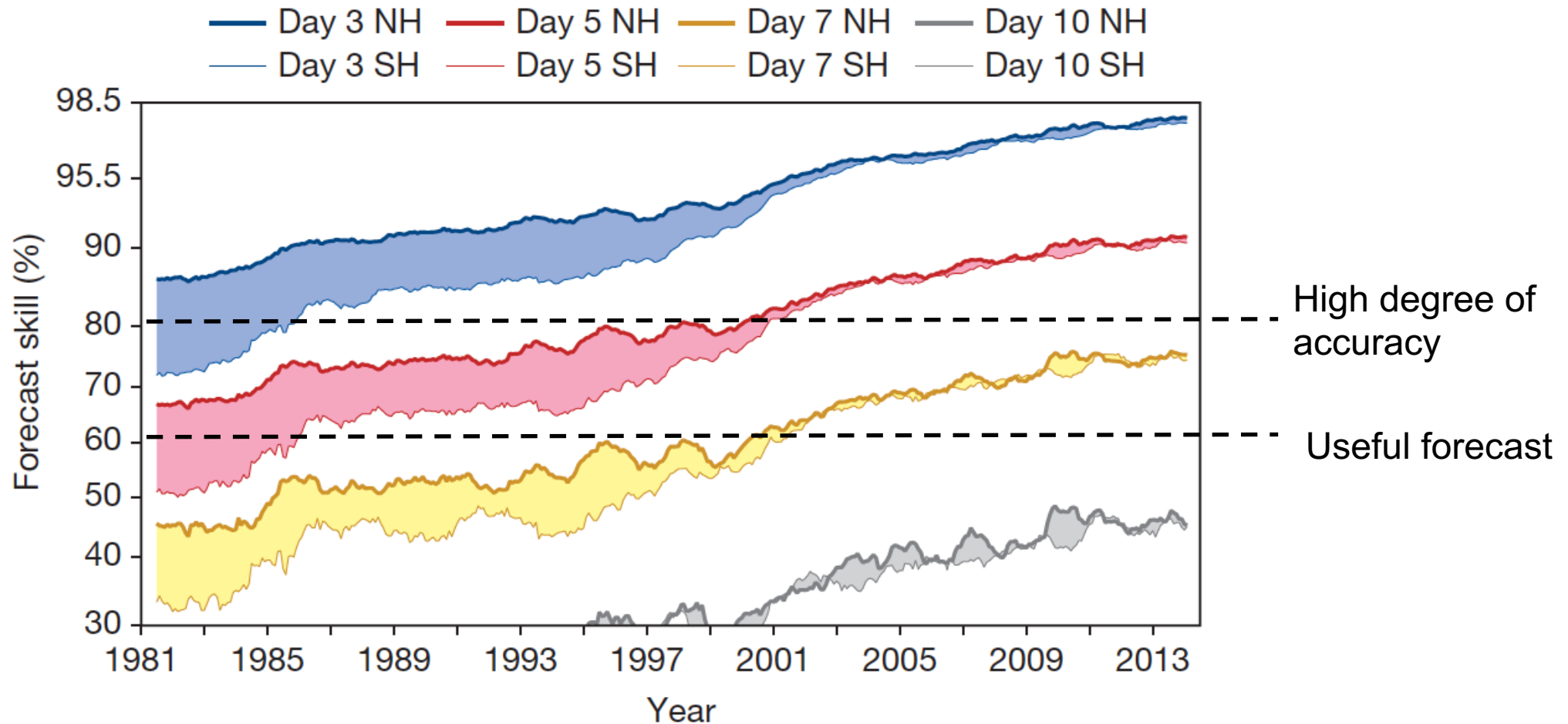
**Accuracy:** a measure of the quality of the variable/product values



*Weather forecasts are not prophecies and dogmatic predictions. The term forecast is strictly applicable to such an opinion [probability] as is the result of scientific combination and calculation.*

Robert FitzRoy, 1861

# Accuracy: a measure of the quality of the variable/product values: weather forecast skill at three-, five-, seven- and ten-day ranges

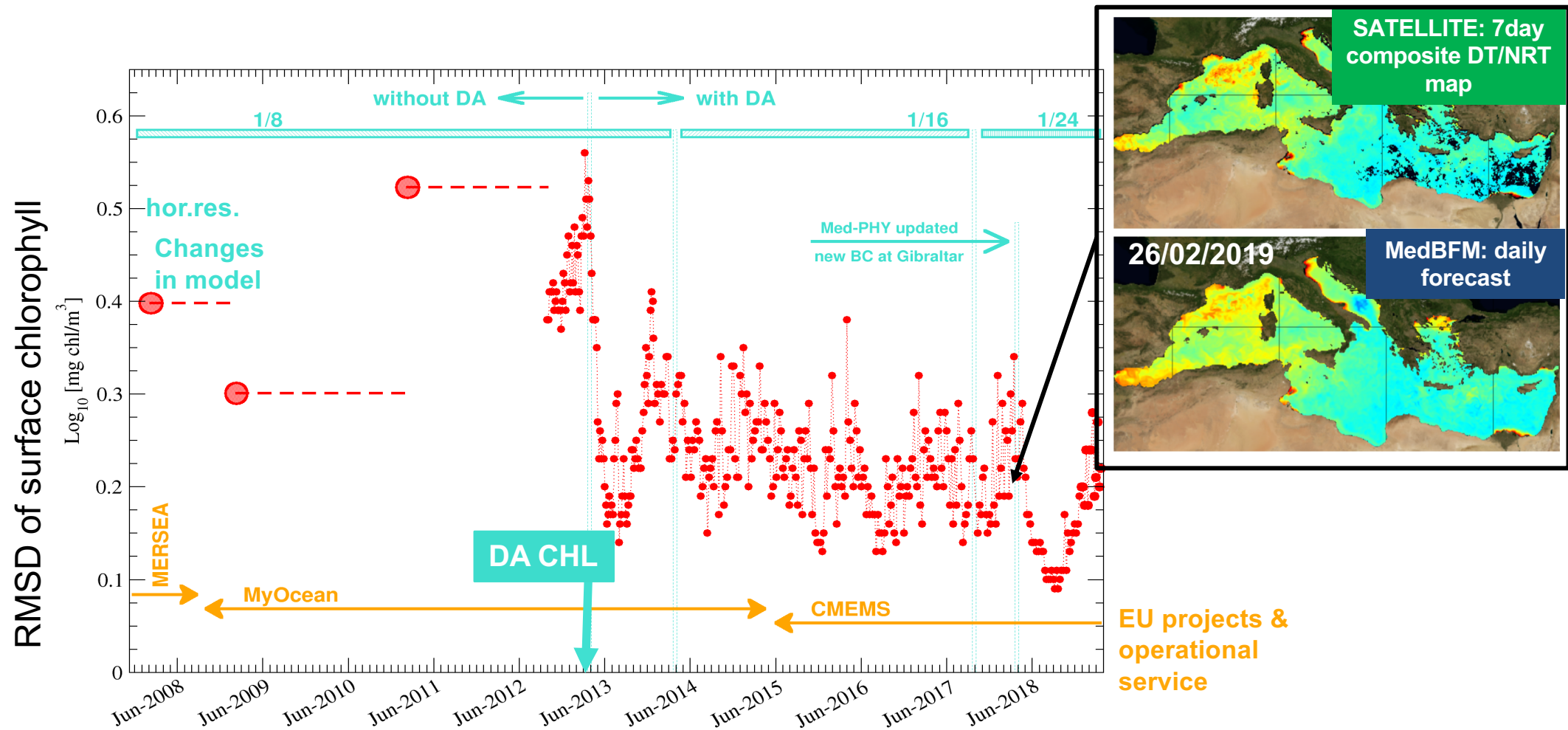


*Forecast skill metric: correlation between the forecasts and the verifying analysis of the height of the 500-hPa level, expressed as the anomaly with respect to the climatological height*



# Accuracy: a measure of the quality of the variable/product values:

## History of the quality of the CMEMS Med forecast system



*Skill performance of the first day of forecast of the surface chlorophyll*

*Salon et al., OS 2019*

**Accuracy:** a measure of the quality of the variable/product values  
skill metrics and graphical representations of the model/data - reference distance

Pearson correlation

$$r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (O_i - \bar{O})(P_i - \bar{P})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (O_i - \bar{O})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i - \bar{P})^2}},$$

Root mean square error

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (P_i - O_i)^2}{n}},$$

bias

$$AE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (P_i - O_i)}{n} = \bar{P} - \bar{O},$$

Reliability index

$$RI = \exp \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \log \frac{O_i}{P_i} \right)^2},$$

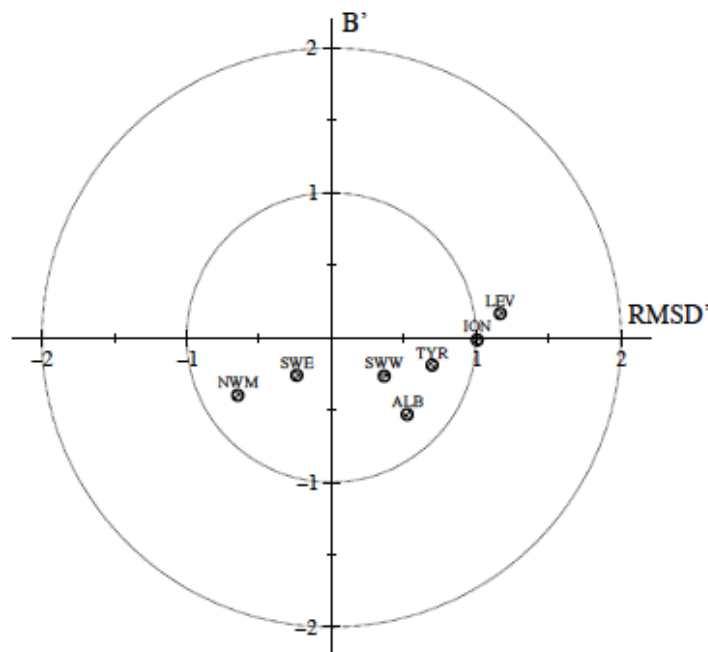
Model efficiency

$$MEF = \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n (O_i - \bar{O})^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i - O_i)^2 \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (O_i - \bar{O})^2},$$

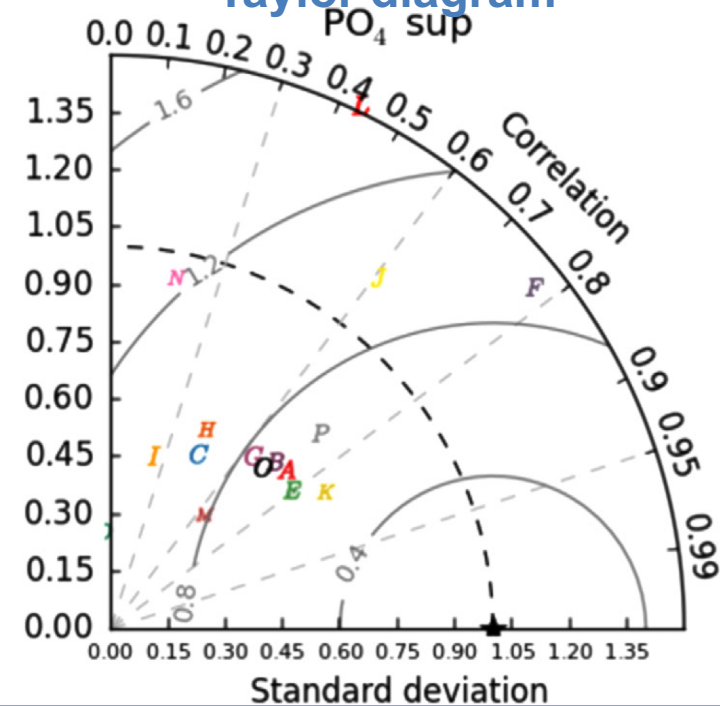
Average absolute error

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Target diagram



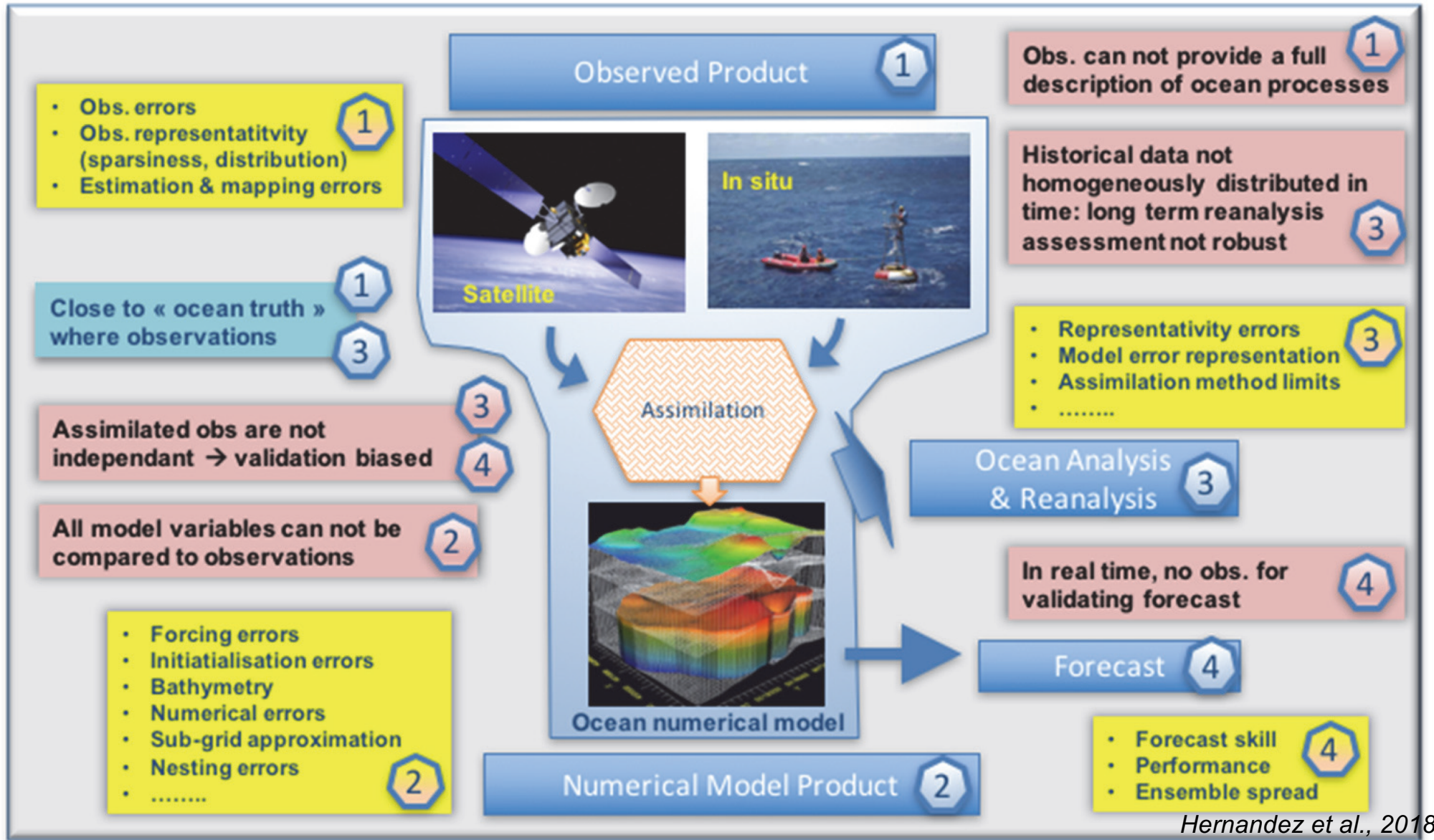
Taylor diagram






# Accuracy of Ocean Forecast Monitoring products

What is the true state of the ocean? critical aspects?



Type of products, their associated errors, positive aspects, drawbacks in using observations for the evaluation



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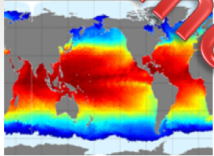
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### GLOBAL OCEAN 1/12° PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY


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PRODUCT IDENTIFIER

GLOBAL\_ANALYSIS\_FORECAST\_PHY\_001\_024

OVERVIEW

**Short description**


The Operational Mercator global ocean analysis and forecast system at 1/12° resolution, updated daily, is aggregated in real time in order to reach a two full year forecast. It provides a comprehensive view of the ocean state, including temperature, salinity, currents, sea level, mixed layer depth and ice parameters. The system is based on a combination of interpolated ETOP data and a high-resolution ocean model. The global ocean output files are distributed in NetCDF format. The vertical levels are ranging from 0 to 5500 meters.

**Detailed description**

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GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE



OBSERVATION/MODELS

numerical-model

PRODUCT TYPE



forecast  
invariant  
invariant\*

PROCESSING LEVEL

L4





DATA ASSIMILATION

In-Situ TS Profiles  
Sea Level  
Sea Wave Height (SWH)  
SST

Coventry  

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MED MFC

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MEDSEA Reanalysis BIO\_006 008**

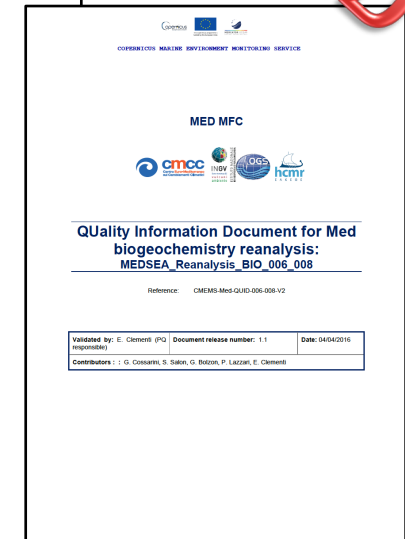
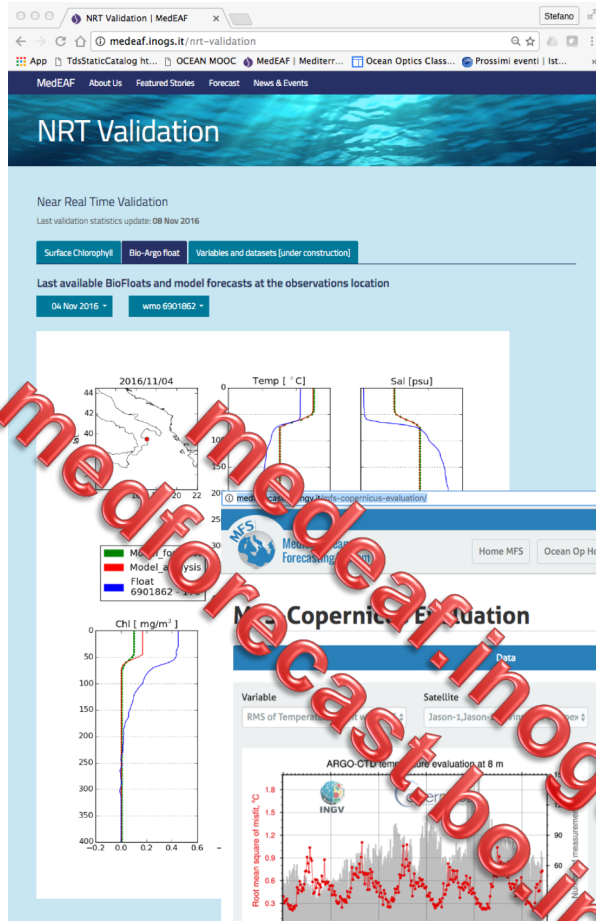
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# Quality of CMEMS products: where to find the information



Every day/week

Updated statistics  
every 3 months

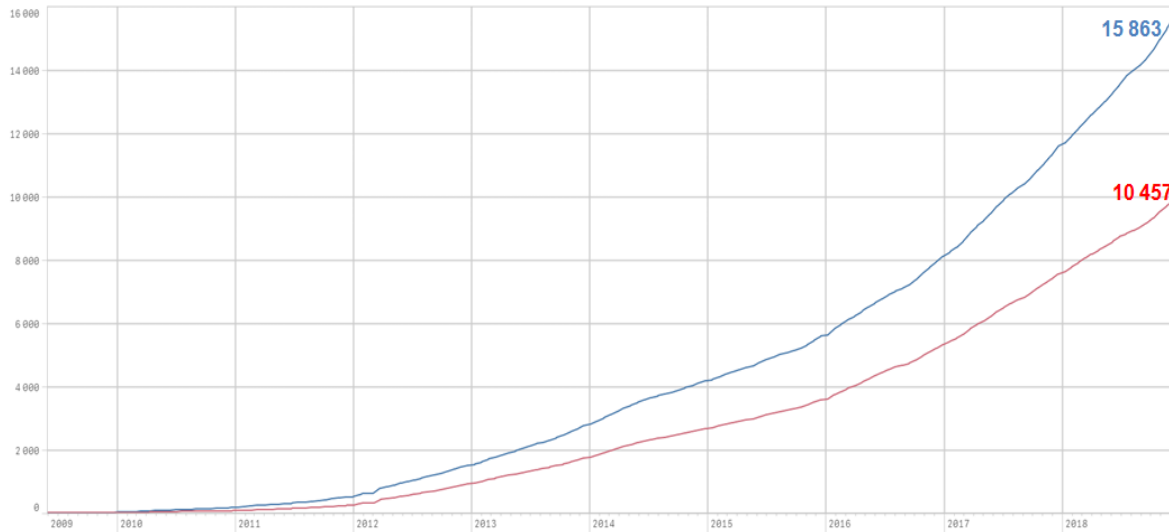
Every year:  
new reanalysis / new  
system version

# Use case description

1. CMEMS Users and Markets
2. Examples of [Use Cases](#)
3. YOUR use case



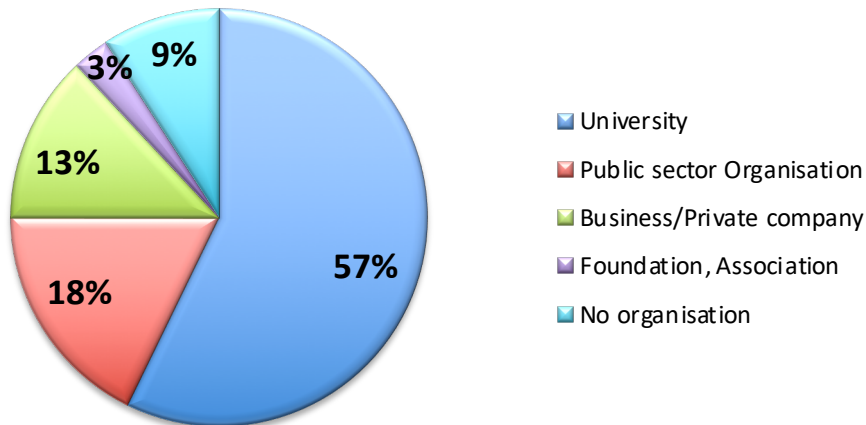
# Use case: growing number of the CMEMS service



- ~ **16000** external users registered
  - > **1100** regular users
  - > **5000** downloaders
  - > **1300** TB downloaded
- => 25% users (regular) downloaded 87% of the data

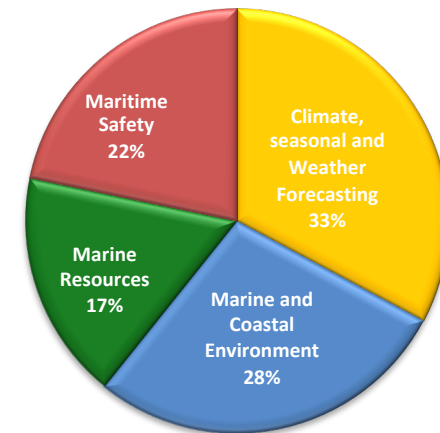
## Who are the users?

CMEMS - Type of Organisation  
All Subscribers (from 2009)



## Which areas of interest?

CMEMS - Area of Interest  
All Subscribers (from 2009)



# CMEMS markets

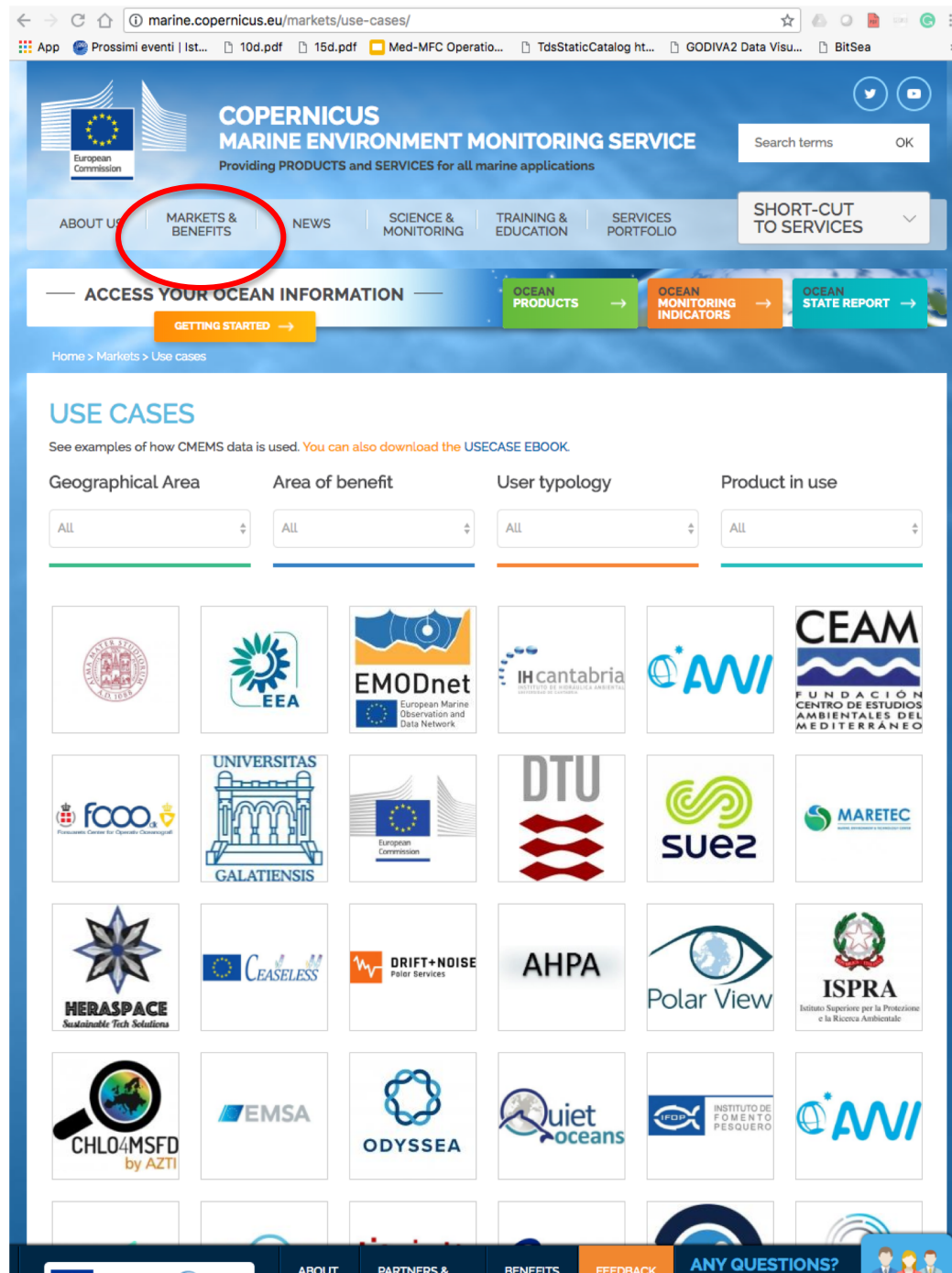
## MARKETS

COPERNICUS MARINE SERVICE SUPPORTS ALL SECTORS OF THE BLUE ECONOMY



- |   |                                      |    |                        |
|---|--------------------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1 | POLAR<br>ENVIRONMENT<br>MONITORING   | 6  | COASTAL<br>MONITORING  |
| 2 | MARINE<br>CONSERVATION<br>& POLICIES | 7  | SOCIETY<br>& EDUCATION |
| 3 | SCIENCE<br>& CLIMATE                 | 8  | MARINE<br>FOOD         |
| 4 | NATURAL<br>RESOURCES<br>& ENERGY     | 9  | MARINE<br>NAVIGATION   |
| 5 | WATER<br>QUALITY                     | 10 | SAFETY<br>& DISASTER   |





**Use case:  
many examples of  
downstream  
applications on the  
CMEMS webpage**

**Continuous  
improvement based on  
science and users  
feedbacks**

**Design next generation  
of Monitoring and  
Forecast Systems**

# Downstream user applications (1/4): Costa Concordia oil spill scenario simulation

## EVENTS / AGENDA

### MYOCEAN STILL ON ALERT FOR THE COSTA CONCORDIA

News - September 18, 2013

During the parbuckling of the Costa Concordia, initiated on September 16th, MyOcean currents forecasts in the Mediterranean Sea are still needed by the downstream application developed by INGV, CMCC and UniBO for preventing oil spill risks, as a support of Italian Coastguards.

When the cruiser Costa Concordia ran aground off the Italian coast in January 2012, MyOcean started to provide the Italian Coast Guard Operational Centre with daily valuable information on currents in the Mediterranean Sea (cf [MyOcean news](#), January 2012)

On September 16th 2013 started the parbuckling of the Costa Concordia and MyOcean service is more than ever on alert during this complex Sea operation.

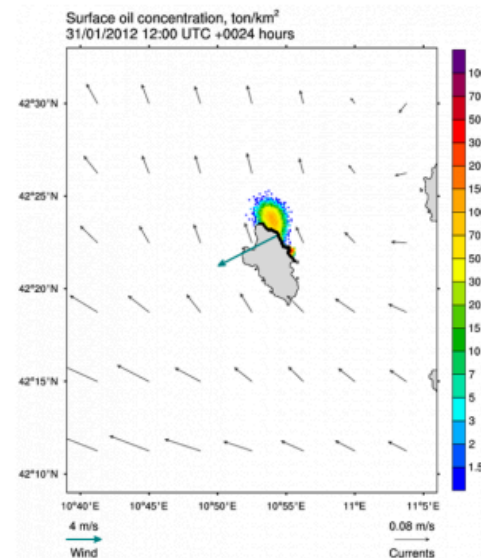
A joint team of the National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology ([Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia, INGV](#)), the [Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change](#) (Centro Euro-Mediterraneo sui Cambiamenti Climatici, CMCC) and the [University of Bologna](#) have developed downstream applications (oil spill forecasting and high resolution relocatable modelling) for the Italian Coast Guards which rely on MyOcean products.

**Currents forecasts in the Mediterranean Sea** ( cf [MyOcean catalogue of product](#)) provided by MyOcean, the Copernicus pre-operational marine service were combined with the oil spill model [MEDSLIK-II](#) in order to simulate possible scenarios of transport and dispersion of the oil in the sea. Counting on these scenario predictions allows authorities to better plan risk mitigation measures and immediately react in case a leak occurs. Data on currents and possible oil spill scenarios will continue to be provided to Coast Guard in case they will be needed during the next phases of the Concordia wreck removal.

[Incredible time-lapse video of the Sea Operation](#) ( © Le Monde)



Legend: Italian Authorities also care about the environmental impact. (Illustration by courtesy of Italian Coast Guard)



Legend: To count on predictive elements allow the Italian authorities to immediately react in case a leak occurred. (Illustration based on MyOcean data/by courtesy of INGV)

<http://marine.copernicus.eu/wp-content/uploads/use-cases/costa-concordia-accident-monitoring-potential-oil-spills-1.0.pdf>



# Downstream user applications (2/4): Allocating suitable zones for shellfish aquaculture in the Adriatic Sea

Operational  
oceanography  
&  
remote  
sensing  
information

- (1) EMODNET ATLAS
- (2) EMODNET BATHYMETRY
- (3) GOOGLE EARTH

REMOTE SENSING & OPERATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHY

- EMIS Sea water temperature
- EMIS Chlorophyll-a
- MyOcean current velocity
- SWAN operational model

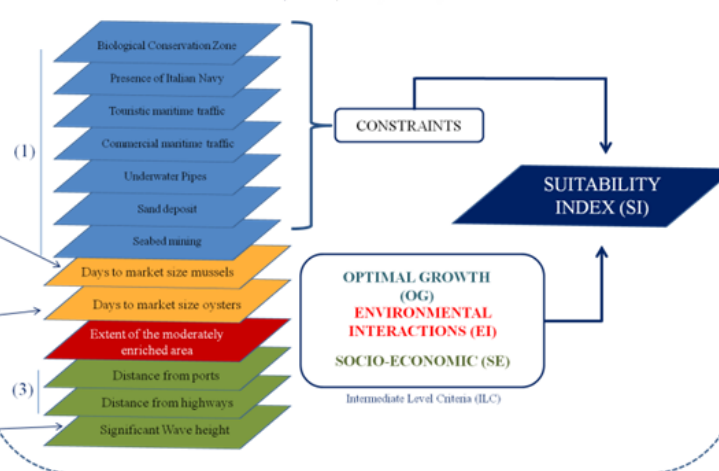
Deterministic  
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DETERMINISTIC AQUACULTURE MODELS

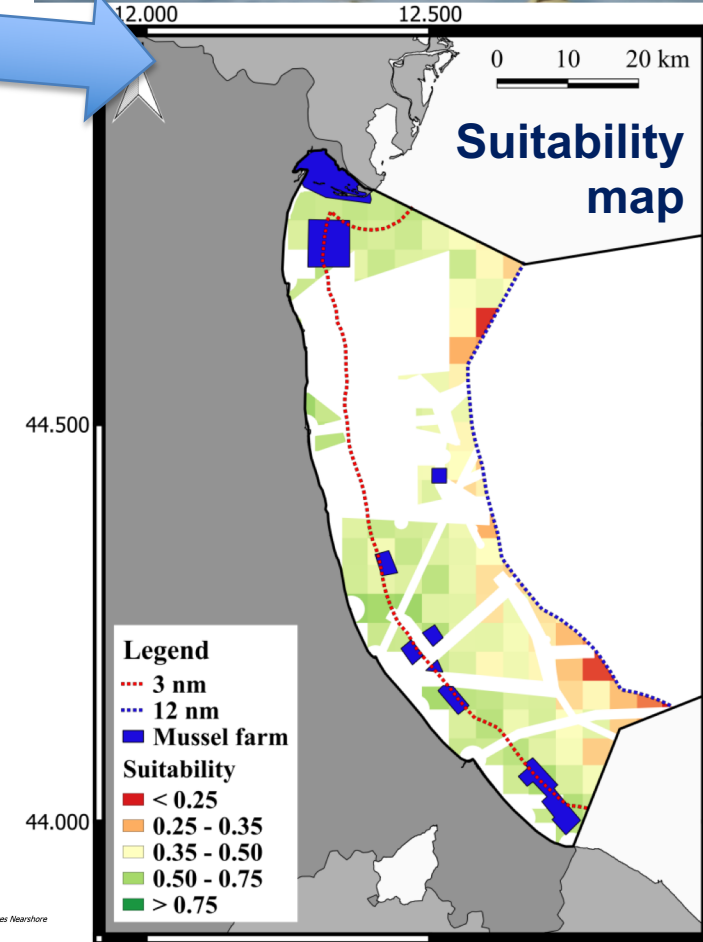
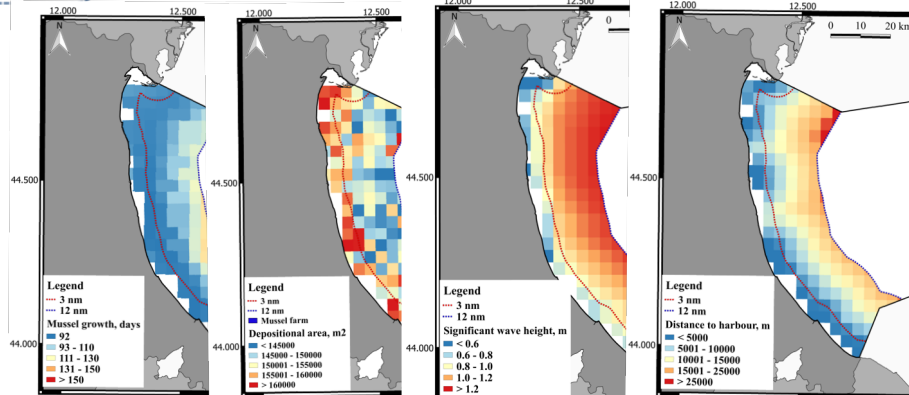
- Individual-based models (mussel; oyster)
- FICIM aquaculture model

Maps for  
criteria

SPATIALLY EXPLICIT MULTI-CRITERIA EVALUATION (SMCE)



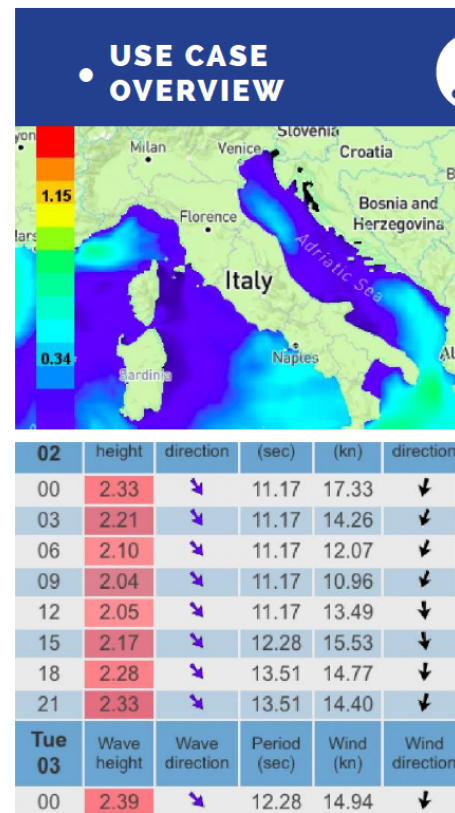
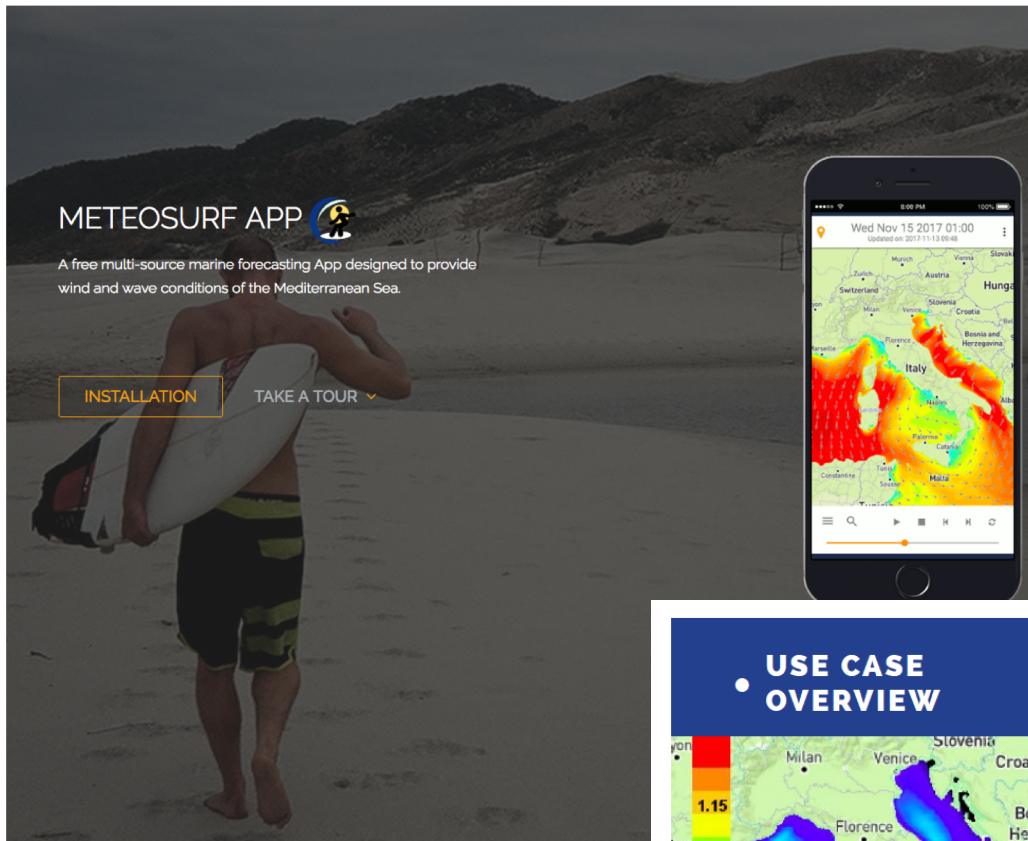
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SWAN  
Simulating Waves Nearshore

# Downstream user applications (3/4):

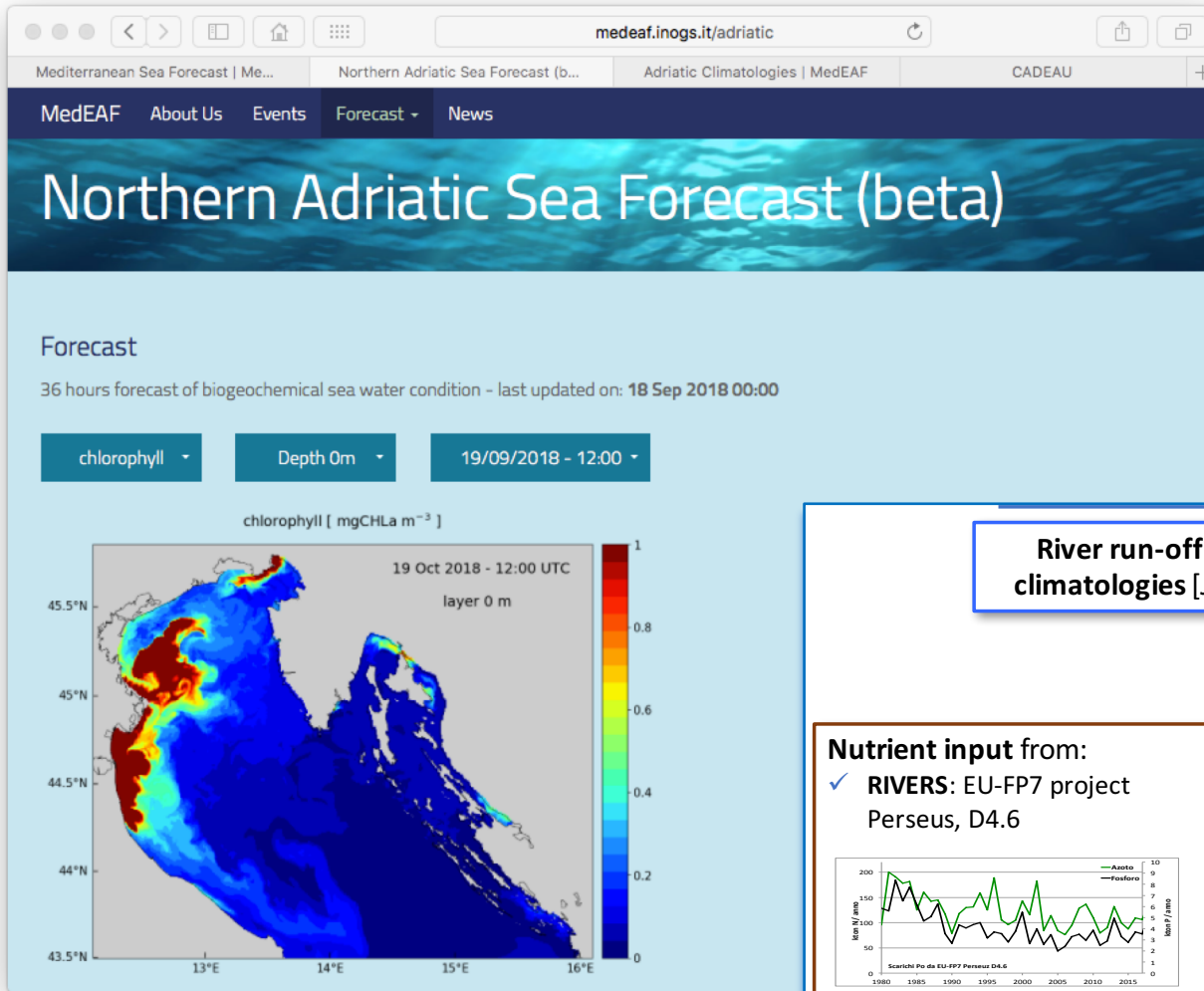
## MeteoSurf



MeteoSurf is a free multi-source weather forecasting App designed to provide wind and wave conditions of the Mediterranean Sea. It is an application for smartphones and tablets, built as a Progressive Web App able to supply detailed and updated maps and data showing heights of sea waves in the Central Mediterranean. It is mainly targeted for surfers and wind-surfers. Data can be displayed as animated graphical maps, or as detailed table data. The maps refer to the whole Mediterranean Sea, while the table data is able to provide specific information for any of the major surf spots in the Med Sea. MeteoSurf shows data collected from 3 different forecasting system sources among which the Copernicus Marine Service ocean forecast model. Met-Oceanic conditions are available in the following locations: Algeria, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Gibraltar, Greece, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey. Once the surfing spot has been selected, data will be prompted in a table listing the forecast for wave height, wave direction, wind speed and wind direction.



# Downstream user applications (4/4): CADEAU Northern Adriatic Sea forecast system

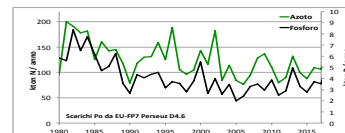


## Downscaling from CMEMS and data integration

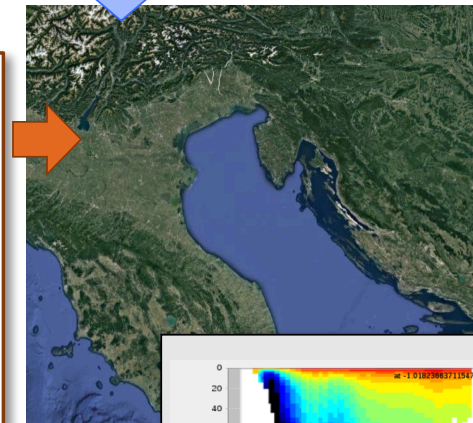
River run-off: ARPAE, ARPA-FVG,  
climatologies [Janekovic et al., 2014]

Nutrient input from:

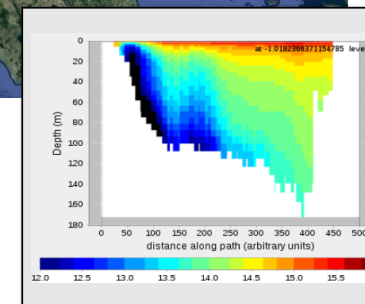
- ✓ RIVERS: EU-FP7 project Perseus, D4.6



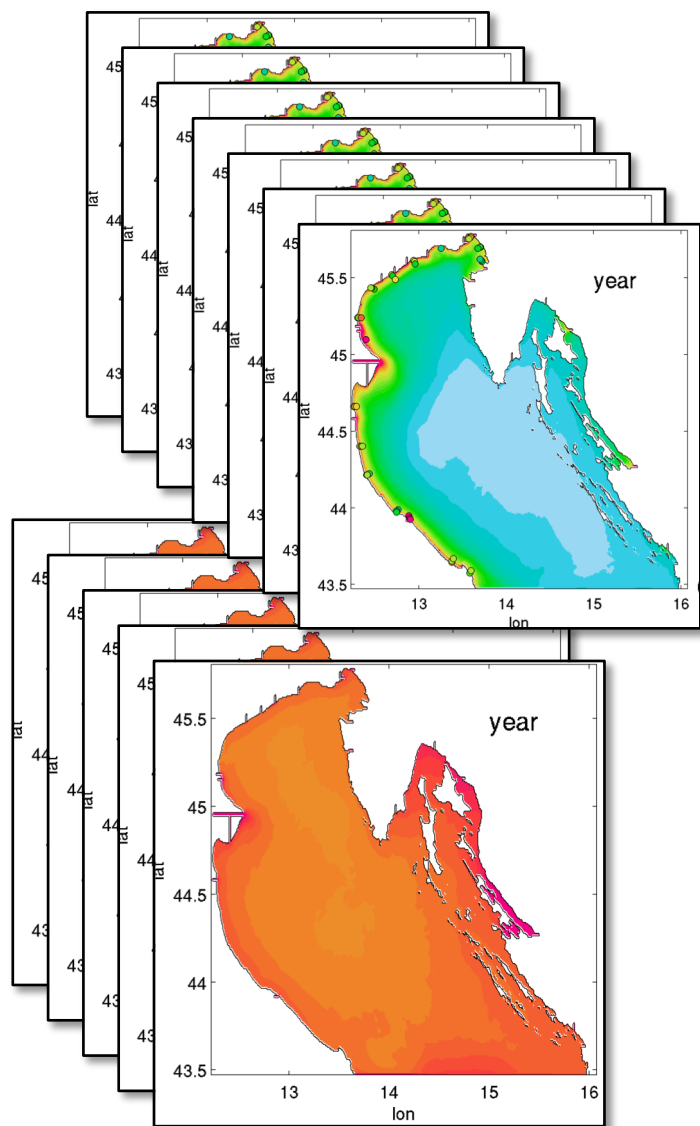
- ✓ VENICE LAGOON [Solidoro et al., 2006]
- ✓ ATMOSPHERE [Ribera d'Alcalà et al., 2003]
- ✓ BOTTOM REMINERALIZATION [Giordani et al., 2002; Bertuzzi et al., 1997]
- ✓ SEWAGE DISCHARGES AT SEA: ISPRA-UWWTP



Atmospheric forcing:  
ECMWF, COSMO I2  
**arpae**  
emilia-romagna

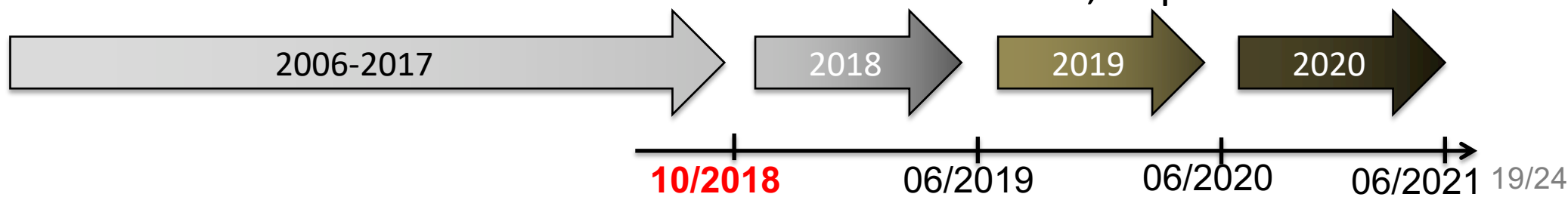


Boundary conditions  
for the southern open  
boundary (*nesting*)  
for physical and  
biogeochemical  
variables:  
**CMEMS**



**High-resolution (~700 m) physical-biogeochemical model corroborated and integrated** with experimental observations (ARPA, ISPRA) and satellite data (CMEMS):

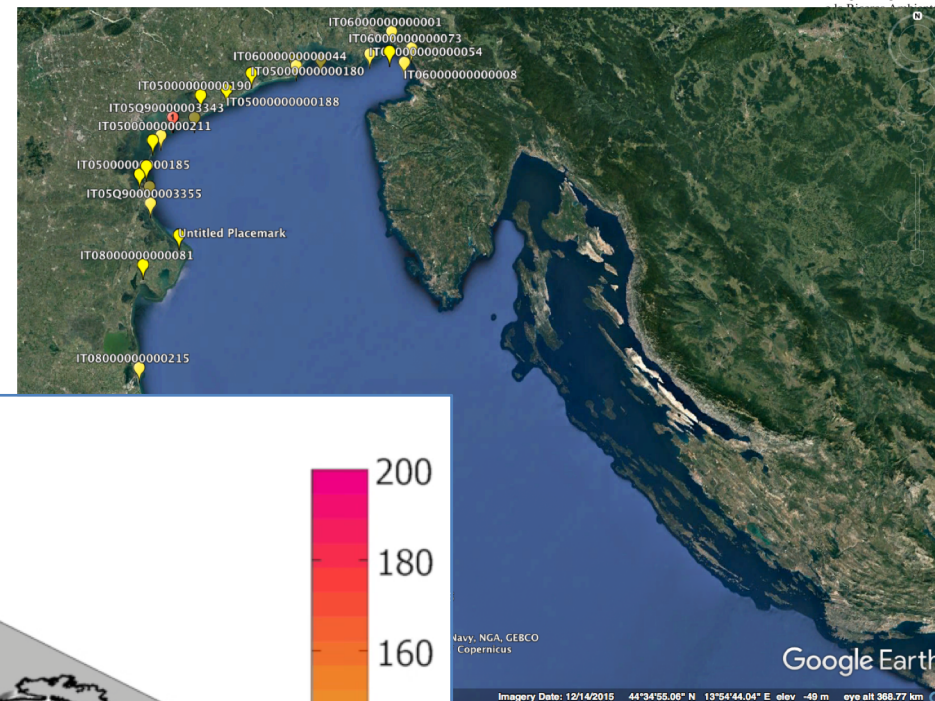
- ✓ <http://www.bio.isprambiente.it/cadeau/>
- ✓ **2006-2017 reanalysis** → recent oceanographic/ecological state of the northern Adriatic (reference to evaluate changes);
- ✓ **annual simulations** from 2018 to 2020 → bulletin of the state of the sea for the previous year and derived products;
- ✓ **simulated variables:** nitrate, phosphate, ammonia, chlorophyll, primary production, oxygen, DOC...
- ✓ **derived variables:** TRIX, impact index...





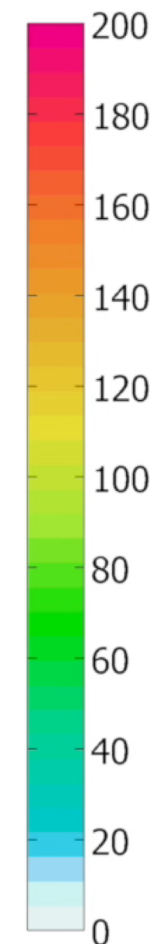
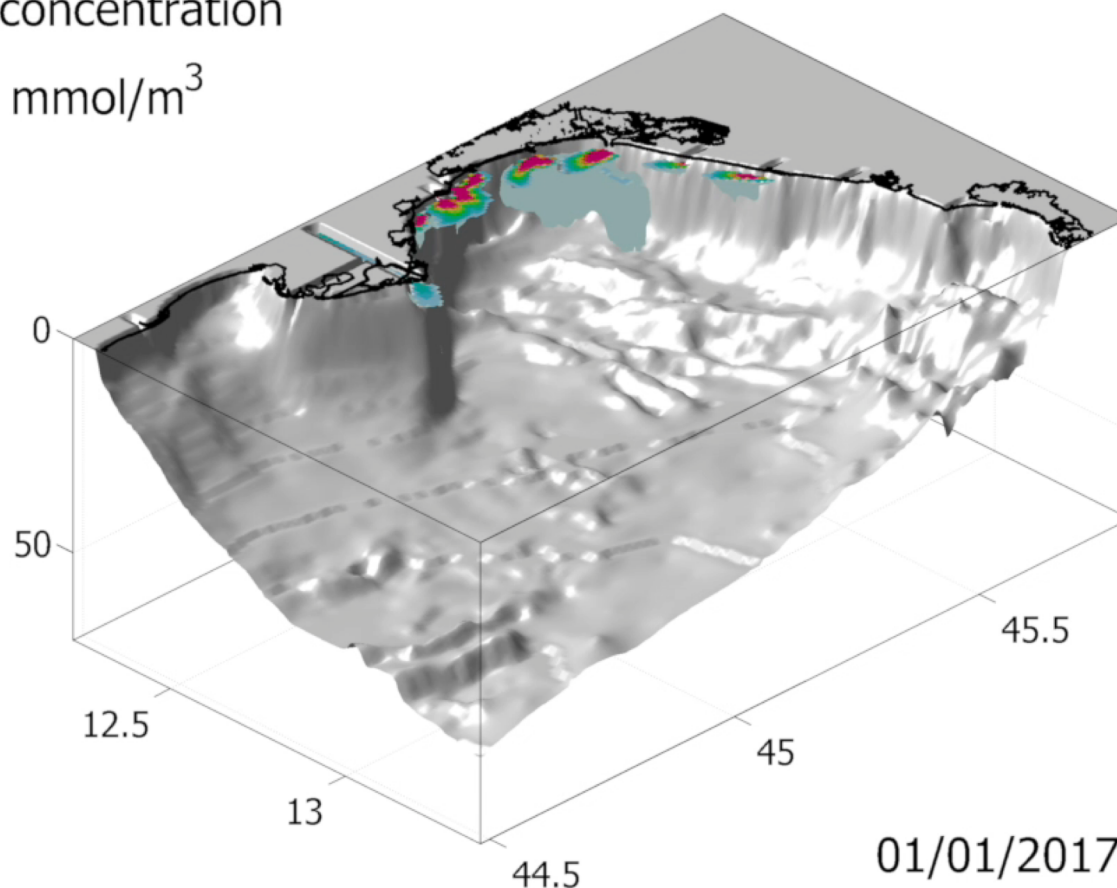
## Simulation of coastal sewage discharges (ISPRA dataset)

### Bathing waters case study (Chioggia): 12 sources of “escherichia coli”



tracer concentration

$10 \text{ mmol/m}^3$



Escherichia coli – like  
model:  
first order decay law  
[*Chan et al.*, 2013]

## ***Exercise: YOUR use case***

1. **Register** to the CMEMS web portal
2. **Explore** the information provided by the CMEMS web portal
3. **Explore** the products available for the Baltic Sea
4. **Select** a study site and identify one or more critical aspects regarding issues related to Ocean Health

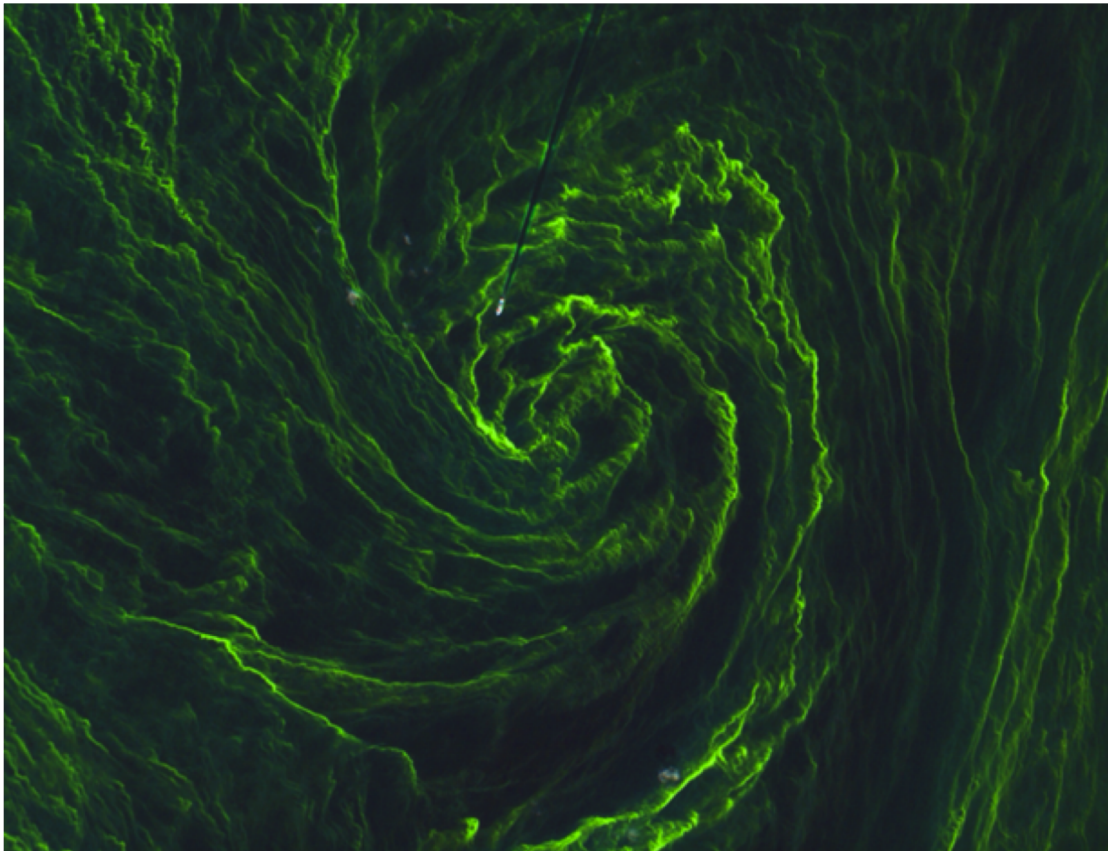


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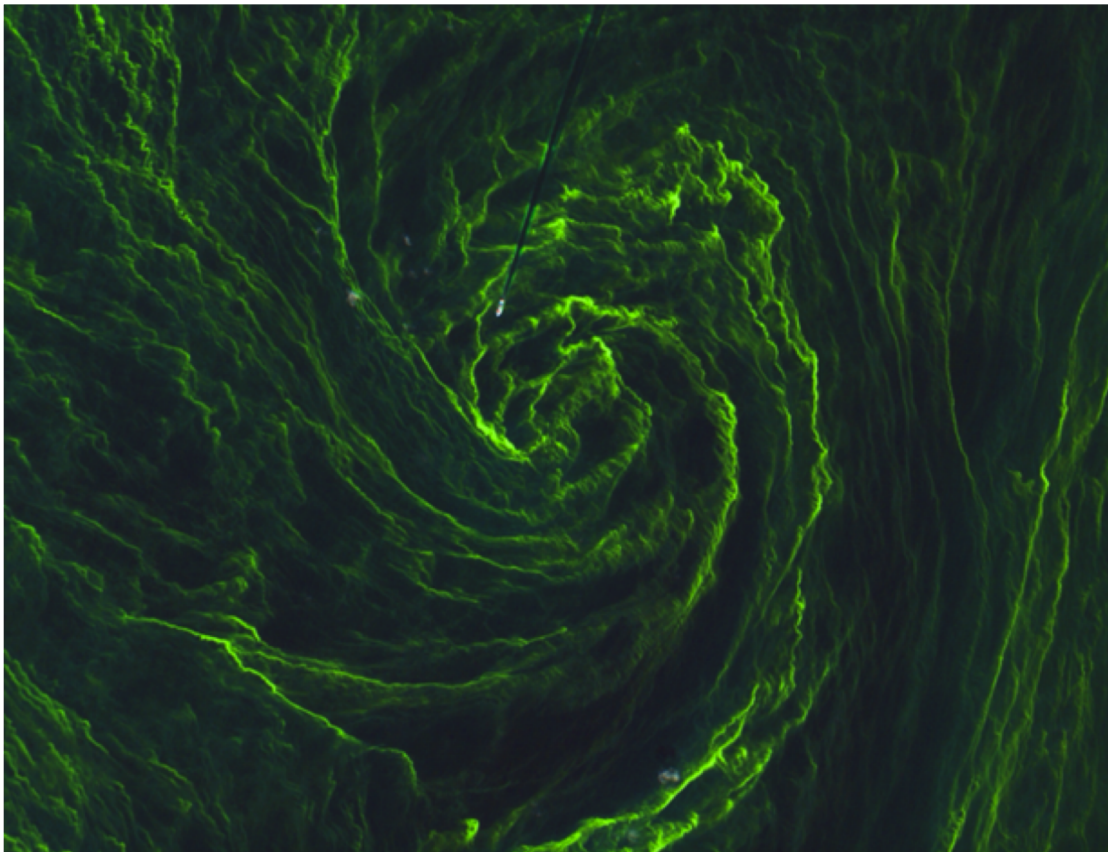


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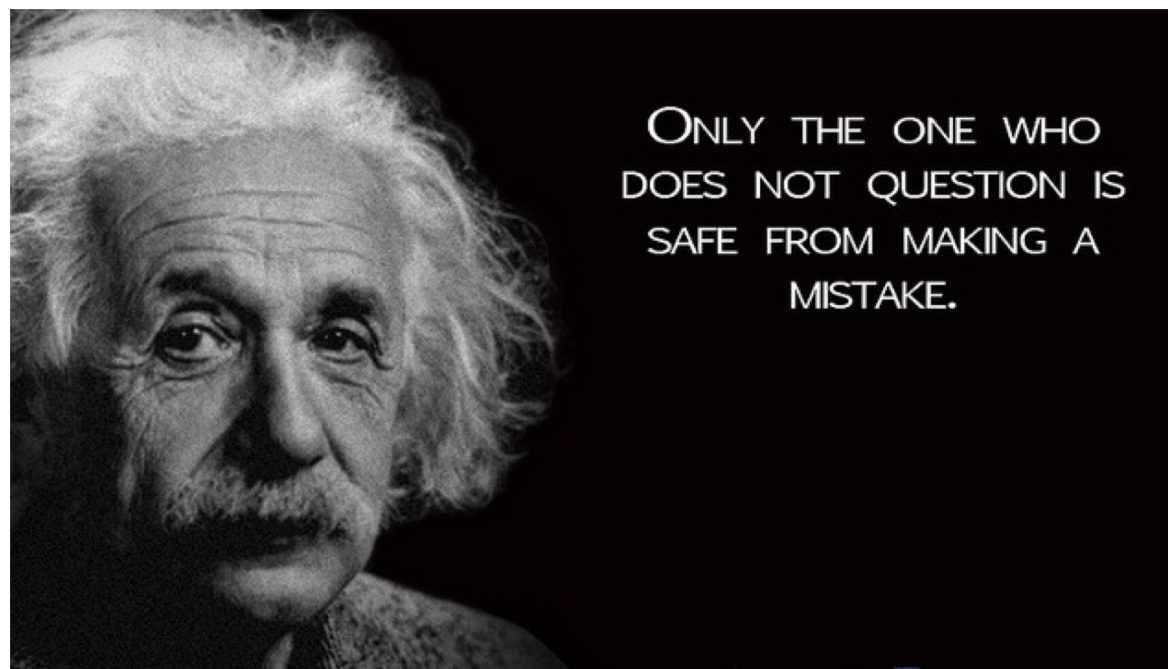
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Stable meteo-marine conditions (warm weather and calm seas) occurred during summer 2015 increased the biological activity in the central Baltic Sea, with a specific dominance of cyanobacteria. In this area, blooms can appear as greenish streaky or vortical structures following density gradients, that may help to identify the biological activity, as specifically shown in this image.

# **Take home messages**

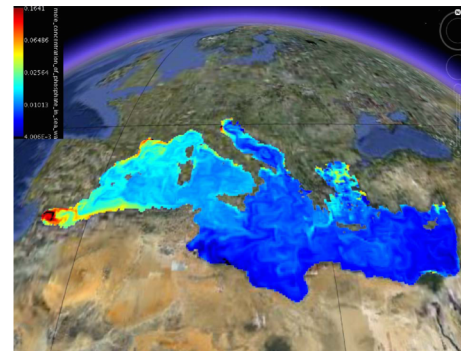
- **Blue Growth has economical and societal impacts: DATA are essential to support the sustainable development of the activities in the coastal areas**
- **Marine Copernicus (CMEMS) is a full, free and open access service that provide information and data on the status of marine environment**
- **Information on physical, biogeochemical and wave status of the European seas and Global ocean**
- **Mix of observing and model systems spanning from the past decades to near-time forecast**
- **Knowledge of the quality and appropriateness of a CMEMS product is necessary to properly and efficiently use/exploit CMEMS information**





ONLY THE ONE WHO  
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