

# EMODneStatus Update

EMODnet – Copernicus Marine Service coordination meeting 2 February 2023

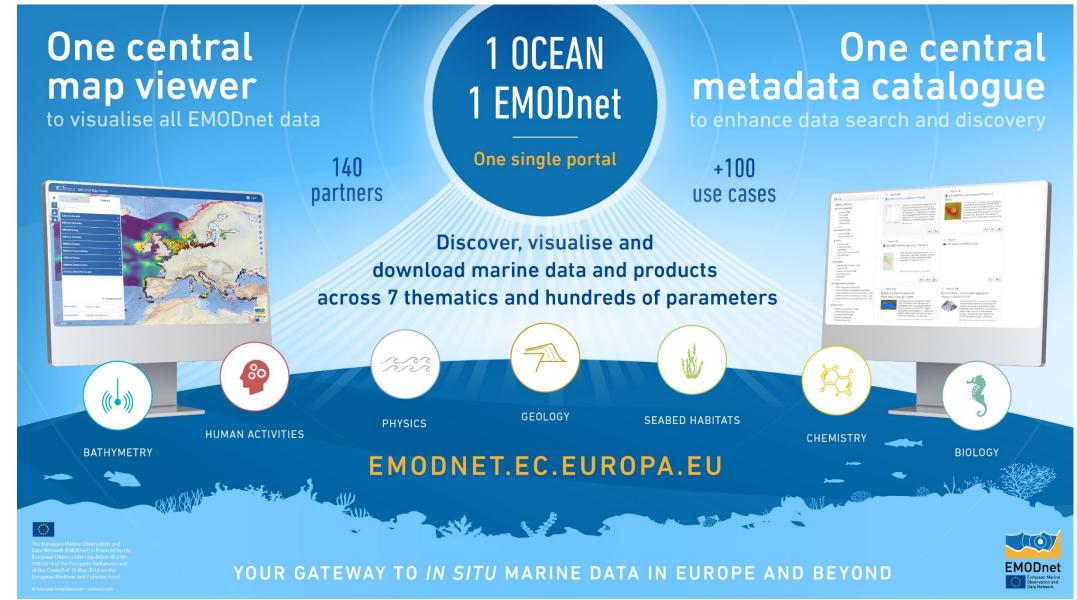
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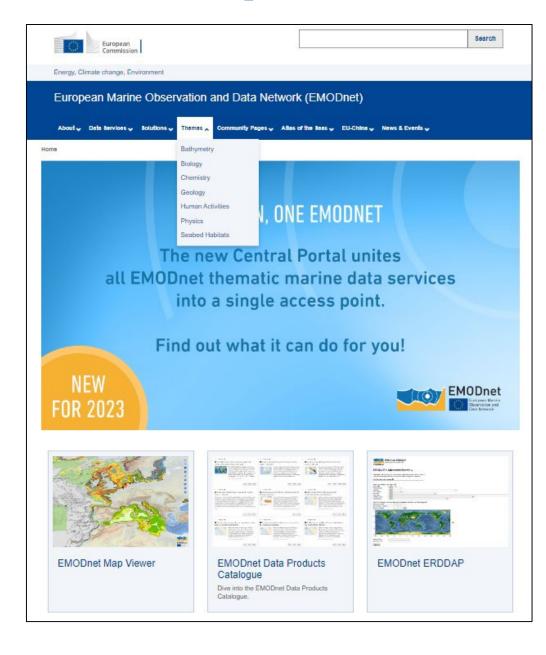


# **Unification of EMODnet Service: January 2023**



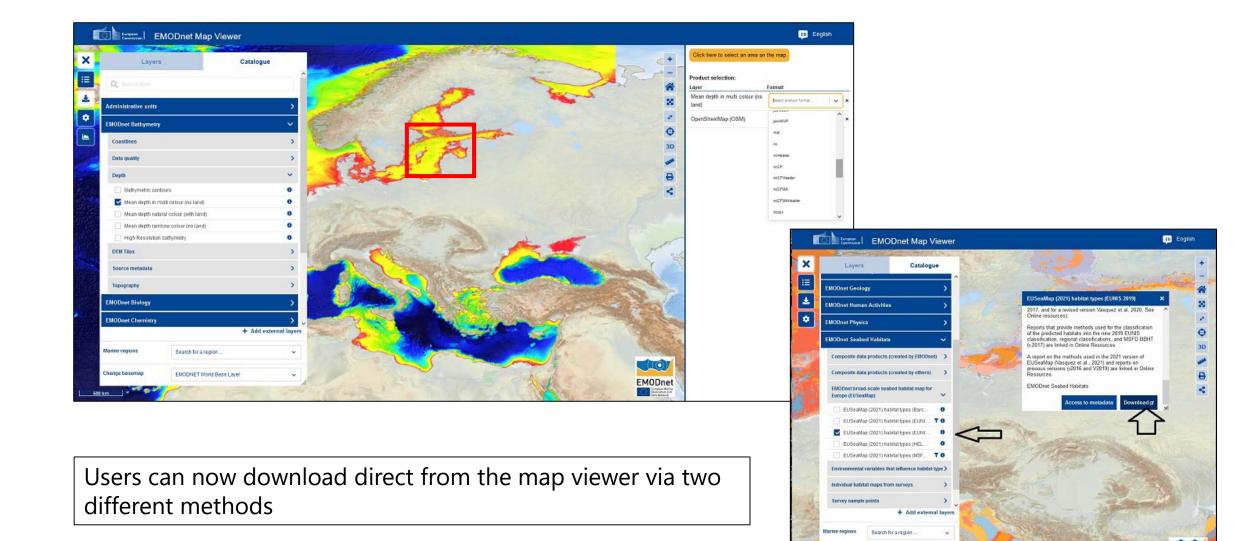


# New EMODnet portal.



- One EMODnet portal.
- One EMODnet Map Viewer
- One EMODnet Catalogue
- One EMODnet ERDDAP
- Thematic portals are gone
- Striving for consistency across themes in:
  - Metadata
  - File formats
  - Download APIs
  - Web Services

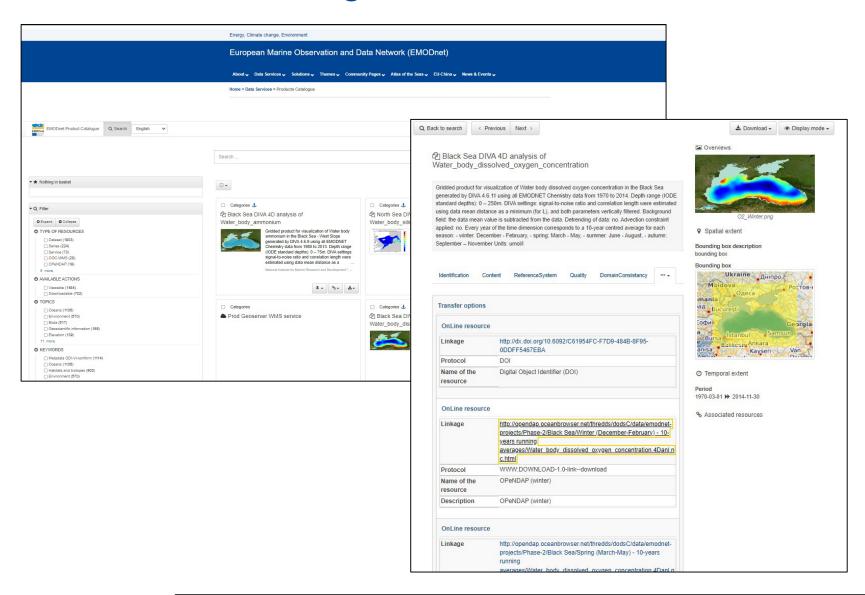
# OneEMODnet MapViewer



**EMODnet** 

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# OneEMODnet Catalogue

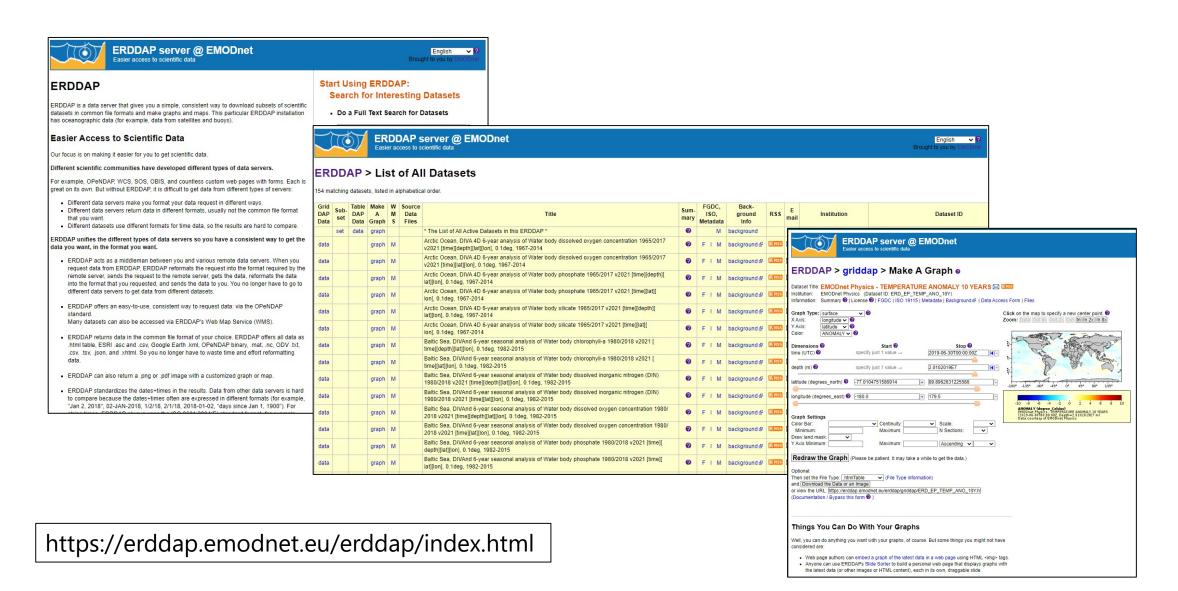


Each thematic lot is publishing an OGC Catalogue Service for the Web. The EMODnet Catalogue is harvesting these and combining them into one catalogue.

Users can now access metadata and data service information in the catalogue



### One EMODnet ERDDAP





## **Unification of EMODnet Service: External Communication Toolkit**



Communication Toolkit has been shared with > 120 EMODnet partner organisations, EMODnet Associated Partners, and key external stakeholders e.g., Copernicus Marine Service, European Marine Board, EuroGOOS, JPI Oceans, EurOcean.... emodnet.ec.europa.eu

















8 February 2023: Meeting for coashes & mentors 6-24 March 2023: Ideation and team formation 27-28 March 2023: Virtual Hackathon 30 March 2023: Pitching and Awards

### **EMODnet Open Sea Lab III**

### **Copernicus collaboration:**

### **Copernicus coaches:**

- Cédric Giordan
- Elena Di Medio, User Support Officer
- Anaïs Perrin, User Support Officer
- Martin Pasquier, User Support Officer

### **Copernicus mentors:**

- Fabrice Messal
- Corine Derval ,product manager,
- Romane Zufic, capacity Development Officer.
- Aurore Biardeau, Product Owner.
- Andreia Ferreira de Carvalho, training officer.

Information provided on Copernicus Marine data, download, tutorials







# Fourth EMODnet Secretariat cycle (202223)



• Consortium









# Fourth EMODnet Secretariat cycle (202023)

- European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet)
  - Focus on supportingentralisation process, guide transition towards fully integrated online presence via EMODnet Central Portal
  - While remaining operational and maintaining/expanding all other essential services and tasks (consolidation)
    - > Resulting in more usefiriendly, useful and fitfor-purpose EMODnet
    - ➤ Will be more coherent, efficient and easier to managend ready for supporting Europe's Green Deal and Digital Agenda Mission Ocean priorities, Digital Twin Ocean public service etc.

### European Atlas of the Seas

- Buildon foundations established over the past four years
- Furtherdevelopment of the Atlas
- Expand its impact across Europe and beyond
  - ➤ Integrate Atlas in formal and informa@cean Literacy curricula
  - > Establish Atlas as **communication tool**

### EC Ocean Observing initiative

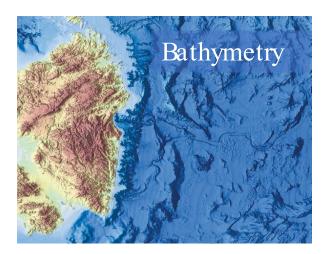
- Dedicated support to DG MARE to advance activities in its work programme related to EOO
- Assess the benefits of the EMODnet Spasin Checkpoints

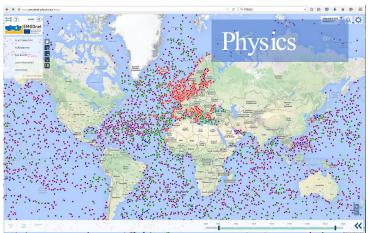


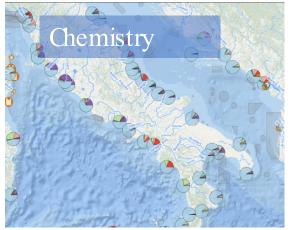
# **EMODnet:** Diverse marine data and data products

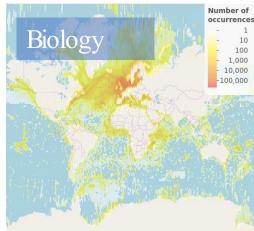
Result of working together: democratizing in situ marine data, for all

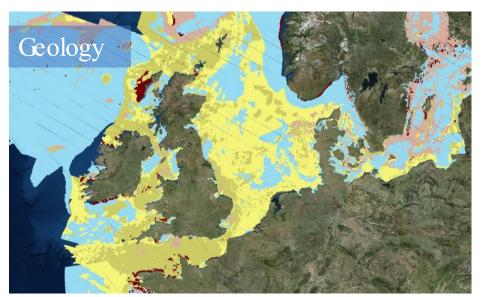


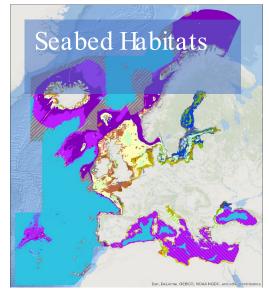












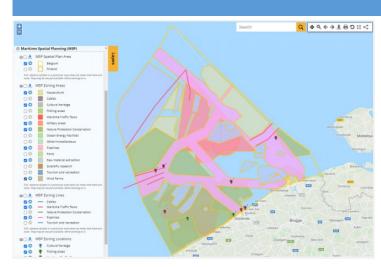




# EMODnet: A EU focal point for Maritime Spatial Planning offering harmonised in situ marine dataspanning the marine environmentand human activities

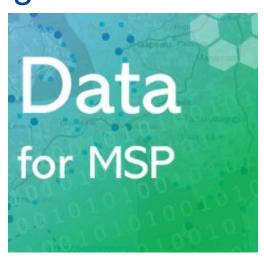
«EMODnet Human Activities is a focal point for EU Member State Marine Spatial plans and in the fuiture this can be expanded to include MSP data products, for examples at the European level».

Joni Kaitaranta, HELCOM



MSP Spatial Plan Area for Belgium, EMODnet Human Activities







EMODnet Human Activities Map viewer and data visualization (centralising by end 2022)

- EMODnet bathymetry, biology, chemistry, geology, physics, seabed habitats:
  - High resolution transboundary in situ marine environmental and human activities data, essential for climate-smart MSP and offering trusted multi-disciplinary data to underpin cumulative impact assessments;

#### **EMODnet Human Activities:**

- Wind farm database and other data and information related to MSP;
- National (EU MS) Maritime Spatial Plans;
- works in close co-operation with Regional Sea Conventions, and the EC JRC Technical Group (TG) on Data for MSP towards a technical solution for harmonising EU MSP within EMODnet.

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# **EMODnet – Copernicus Marine collaborations: Status of ongoing actions**

Updates on each thematic focus areas was provided in presentations at the 2<sup>nd</sup> coastal meeting (September 2022)

### **EMODnet – Copernicus Marine INSTAC (updates)**

- EMODnet Physics co-led the setting up of the Marine In Situ Collaboration (MIC) Working Group.
  - EMODnet Chemistry and Data Ingestion are also represented;
- Additional coordination meetings between INSTAC and EMODnet Physics;
- Co-developed a common strategy to ingest/link new operational data for serving both services
  - Ingestion workflow:
    - <u>phase 1</u> "as is" dataset displayed in EMODnet Physics, then if it's a Copernicus "quality checkable parameter" (according to EuroGOOS DATAMEQ recommendations) EMODnet Physics and INSTAC work together to include in the INSTAC collection;
    - <u>phase 2</u> EMODnet Physics via EMODnet Central Portal and central metadata catalogue;
- Ocean parameters joint areas of dialogue/activities: River, Wind, Sea Level:
  - River, underwater noise, wind parameters: stay in EMODnet physics who manage the "official" collections. Collaboration with INSTAC who send any new *in situ* data identified for these parameters to EMODnet Physics;
  - Sea Level parameters: Collaboration on extending data and products (EMODnet Physics supports INSTAC on a reprocessed product)

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### **EMODnet – Copernicus Marine INSTAC (updates continued)**

- EMODnet Physics and Copernicus Marine INSTAC agreed on a common citation/statement to reward/award the providers (core message being EMODnet and INSTAC do not own the data but run the data services and add value to the data by making data FAIR in an integrated system);
- Collaboration on standards and recommendations also via European projects e.g., EuroSea
- EMODnet Physics are anticipating the management of Citizen Science data (these are more complex to be included in phase 2 collection for many reasons, but the primary goal now is to engage the community and make links and teach the people), in dialogue with INSTAC;
- Future areas and requests: These joint groups/coordination groups across EMODnet and INSTAC are not funded (they are not featuring in the EMODnet Physics or Chemistry workplan and have no budget associated). EMODnet Physics suggests a dedicated funding stream



# **EMODnet – Copernicus Marine collaborations: Status of ongoing actions**

### Copernicus Biodiversity workshop, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022

**EMODnet Biology:** At the workshop suggested the possibility of a collaboration with Copernicus regarding biodiversity products. I would like to encourage this action again as I believe the expertise both initiatives hold could be useful to improve the biodiversity products being published. Better coordination and alignment in objectives would be a welcomed outcome.

**EMODnet Seabed Habitats:** Attended the Copernicus biodiversity in coastal ecosystems workshop in October 2022 along with EMODnet Biology and presented what we had done so far and how our data and products can contribute to coastal biodiversity protection.



# **EMODnet Thematics and Data Ingestion: Status Updates**

Actions from previous EMODnet - Copernicus Marine Service meetings include:	Action status (EMODnet Coordinator to complete)
1- Organise a follow up meeting between <b>EMODnet Chemistry</b> and Copernicus Marine INSITU TAC. The first meeting was considered very fruitful. (action from coastal w/shop 2 on 22 Septrember 2022)	Not yet a bilateral meeting. EMODnet Chemistry invited Copernicus INSTAC to the stakeholder consultation meeting to be held on 10 March 2023. We have already invited Dominique Obaton but the invitatin is open to the any Copernicus representative.
2- Organise a meeting between Copernicus Marine coordination and EMODnet Bathymetry project coordinator. Copernicus Marine aims at developing a global bathymetry product from S2 data, first static, then a dynamic version. An interaction is much needed between Copernicus Marine and EMODnet bathymetry to discuss the details and the synergies between the different approaches. See also the different user requirements/analyses/surveys on bathymetry that have also recently been published (Copernicus Marine, EMODnet Checkpoints) (e.g. https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fmars.2021.740830/full). (action from coastal w/shop 2 on 22 Septrember 2022)	There has been a meeting at 14 October 2022 between Pierre-Yves (MOI) and Thierry (Shom), Dick (MARIS) and George (GGSGC). Copernicus Marine is preparing a tender for satellite derived bathymetry. It was agreed that a few core experts from EMODnet Bathymetry will be involved in the scientific requirements of the Tender description in order to achieve that the data sets resulting from the Tender would be fit for purpose and use of EMODnet Bathymetry as contributions to the EMODnet DTM.
3- Organise a meeting with Copernicus Land, Marine coordination and <b>EMODnet Geology</b> project coordinators for coastline monitoring activities shared between the two groups (action from coastal w/shop 2 on 22 Septrember 2022)	
4 - Propose a new methodology to extend in a more automatic way the development of a common catalogue for the MSFD (action from 18 March 2022)	

- 1. Invitation to attend the EMODnet Chemistry stakeholder consultation meeting, 10 March 2023, Trieste, Italy & online (hybrid): <a href="https://forms.gle/VV8MkyAg8zQkHeFr5">https://forms.gle/VV8MkyAg8zQkHeFr5</a>
- 2. EMODnet Bathymetry experts are involved in the Copernicus Marine scientific requirements setting for Copernicus Bathymetry tender. Is there an update on the Copernicus funding call date and volume?
- 3. Set a date for a Copernicus Land, Marine and EMODnet Geology meeting on coastline monitoring?
- 4. Discuss MSFD joint catalogue: Plans for different sea-basins



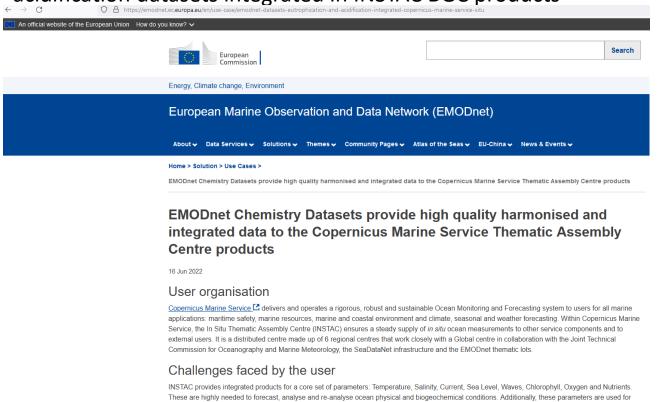


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### **EMODnet Chemistry – Copernicus Marine Service**

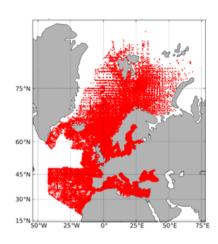
Copernicus INSTAC started using BGC data from EMODnet Chemistry data collections e.g., eutrophication and acidification datasets integrated in INSTAC BGC products



#### Impact of EMODnet

As a first step, only vertical profiles from version 2018 of EMODnet Chemistry datasets were integrated. The next step is to process the version 2021 of the EMODnet Chemistry time series files for inclusion in INSTAC products as well. At the same time the vertical profiles will be updated including the latest data sets. Moreover, the EMODnet Chemistry aggregated and validated data sets for ocean acidification will be used to complement the CMEMS-INSTAC Carbon product. Finally, as the ingestion of EMODnet data has increased coastal data, INSTAC intends to refine its control soon.

#### Media



EMODnet Chemistry vertical profiles (version 2018) ingested in the In Situ TAC product of the Copernicus Marine Service.

https://emodnet.ec.europa.eu/en/use-case/emodnet-datasets-eutrophication-and-acidification-integrated-copernicus-

satellite validation, research and downstream applications requiring Near Real Time (NRT) data. INSTAC prepares two types of products:



## **EMODnet:**Use cases

Biology

Chemistry

**Human Activities** 

**Physics** 

Seabed Habitats

15 Jun 2021

**EMODnet partners with Copernicus Marine for a joint data** catalogue supporting evaluation of Good Environmental Status for the Marine Strategy Framework Directive.

A joint Copernicus Marine and EMODnet data catalogue for the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) has been developed. It gathers all relevant marine data products from Copernicus Marine Service and EMODnet for all the MSFD descriptors (except Descriptor 4) in the Baltic Sea.



MSFD D1. D2. D3. D5. D6. D7. D8. D9. D10. D11

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Bathymetry

**Physics** 

#### **EMODnet Bathymetry & Physics data supporting Sea** Situational Awareness for tourist navigation

SINDBAD+, is a project co-funded by the European Commission (POR FESR 2014-2020), that aims at providing a service that can predict weather conditions and analyse its consequences on the navigation depending on the characteristics of the boat such as length, width and depth. The service targets luxury and leisure boaters. The SINDBAD partners use EMODnet Physics and EMODnet Bathymetry to initiate and validate data forecast models.



Seabed Habitats

19 Sep 2020

#### OSPAR intermediate assessments: evaluation the ecological status of the marine environment in the NE atlantic

Users identified the main areas where disturbance from bottomcontact fishing was predicted to cause the most significant impact to benthic marine habitats. This work fed directly into the OSPAR Intermediate Assessment (2017) with future implications towards the Marine Strategy Framework Directive assessments.

**Physics** 

31 Jan 2022

#### Development of a new sea level product covering European Seas and the Global Ocean

The Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change (CMCC) has developed a first version of a web application with the "Total Sea Level" variable from EMODnet Physics. This solution presents a demonstrator of end-user application and decisional support dashboard systems to support public authorities in their daily management activities.



04 Mar 2021

#### EMODnet-Physics a win-win cooperation with OceanOPS to improve performance monitoring for Ocean Observing Platforms, data and information systems

In close collaboration with OceanOPS, EMODnet Physics is connecting multiple data sources with the OceanOPS metadata repository thanks to the unique identification system managed by OceanOPS. This is automatically reducing the duplication issues related to multi data sources and increasing the quality of the information system developed by EMODnet Physics. At the same time, EMODnet Physics is connecting OceanOPS to networks that are not yet under its radar to continuously improve the monitoring of the Ocean Observing systems operating in the global ocean.



#### Improving storm surge modelling in the North Sea

Changes in coastal sea level caused by the combined effect of surface winds and air pressure have the potential to cause widespread coastal flooding, damage to infrastructure and loss of life.

The low-lying lands bordering the North Sea are particularly vulnerable as was seen most notably in the catastrophic events of 1953. It is expected that climate change will increase the frequency and severity of such events.

Biology Seabed Habitats

31 Jan 2022

#### Holistic, standards-based access and interoperability for marine biodiversity data

Collaboration between EMODnet Biology, EMODnet Seabed Habitats and OBIS (Ocean Biodiversity Information System) has facilitated richer dataset publication and ensured the greatest volume of high-quality species and habitat data are available for reporting, assessments and informed decision making.





Part 1. Marine habitats

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# **EMODnet:** Sea-basin Checkpoints assessing data adequacy and data gaps



Arctic Checkpoint



Atlantic Checkpoint



Baltic Sea Checkpoint



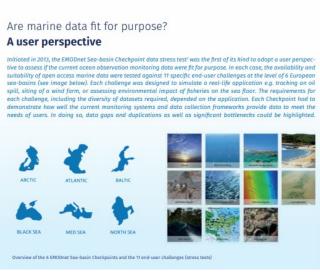
Black Sea Checkpoint

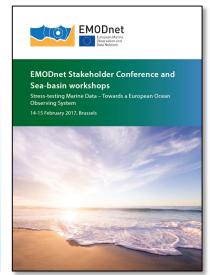


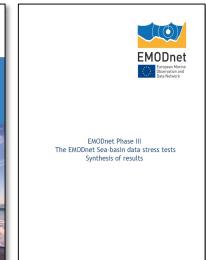
MedSea Checkpoint



North Sea Checkpoint







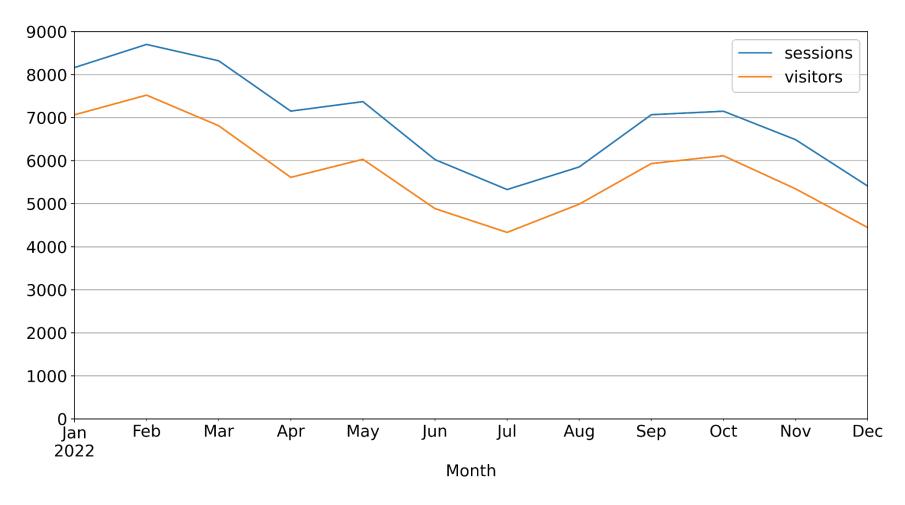
EMODnet Sea-basin Checkpoints: 2015-2018

### Data gaps:

- Parameters e.g., underwater noise
- Resolution: temporal and spatial
- Geographical coverage

2022-2023: Assessing the added value and benefits of the methodology, progress in filling data gaps and recurring and emerging data gaps

# **European Atlas of the Seas: Status of ongoing actions**



Overview of number of visitors and sessions (Europa Analytics visits equivalent) to the European Atlas of the Seas on a monthly basis (January-December 2022). Source: Europa Analytics



# **European Atlas of the Seas: Status of ongoing actions**

#### Climate change

#### Global mean sea level regional trend



The Global mean sea level regional trend (Millimeters per year) is provided by the Copernicus Marine Service. Sea level is rising as a result of ocean heating and land ice -mass loss. Water expands when heated and about 30% of contemporary global mean sea level rise can be attributed to this thermal expansion alone. Sea level rise can seriously affect human populations in coastal and island regions as well as natural environments such as marine ecosystems.

The <u>time series</u> shows that the average global sea level has risen by more than 8 cm since the early 1990's and it continues to rise at a rate of 3.3 mm each year. New calculations reveal that global mean sea level rise is accelerating, with this rate increasing by 0.12 ± 0.073 mm each year.

Sea levels do not rise homogeneously and thus some regions are more threatened than others. The map shows the spatial distribution of sea level trends since 1993. It reveals that sea level is rising for the vast majority of the global ocean but there is large-scale variation with regions like the western tropical Pacific Ocean reaching amplitudes of up to +8 mm/year. In this area, the regional trends are mainly due to thermal expansion. The regional sea level trend uncertainty is on the order of 2-3 mm/year with values as low as 0.5 mm/year or as high as 5.0 mm/year depending on the region.

This sea level ocean monitoring indicator is derived from the DUACS delayed-time (DT-2018 version). These products are distributed by the Copernicus Climate Change Service and also available in the Copernicus Marine Service catalogue.

#### Global sea surface temperature regional trend



The Global sea surface temperature regional trend (degree Celsius (°C) per year) is provided by the Copernicus Marine Service. Sea surface temperature is one of the Essential Climate Variables, defined by the Global Climate Observing System, required for monitoring and characterizing the state of the global climate.

The <u>time series</u> shows that the average global sea surface temperature has risen by more than  $0.3 \, ^{\circ}$ C since the early 1990s and continues to rise at an unprecedented rate of  $0.014 \pm 0.001 \, ^{\circ}$ C per year. The past four years we observed the warmest ocean surface temperatures since records began.

Sea Surface Temperature does not rise homogeneously and thus some regions are more threatened than others. The map shows the spatial distribution of the mean sea surface temperature trends over the Global Ocean since 1993. It reveals that warming is occurring for the vast majority of the globe between 1993 and 2018. One of the exceptions to this trend is the North Atlantic, particularly the region south of Greenland where a cooling trend is observed.

This sea surface temperature ocean monitoring indicator is based on daily, global climate sea surface temperature (SST) analyses generated by the European Space Agency (ESA), SST Climate Change Initiative (CCI) and the Copernicus Climate Change Service (C3S) and is available from the Copernicus Marine Service catalogue.

Date (group by year)	Layer	Times loaded
01/01/2022	ID:128 Global mean sea level regional trend	681
01/01/2022	ID:499 Global Ocean Chlorophyll (daily)	708
01/01/2022	ID:679 Global Ocean Chlorophyll (monthly-mean)	768
01/01/2022	ID:999 Global sea surface temperature regional trend	452

- 2 Copernicus Marine Service data layers related to Climate Change
- No new Copernicus base maps added in 2022.
- For 2023 the Atlas is interested in the Surface Ocean Acidification Trend OMI (dialogue has been initiated)
- Below are the European Atlas of the Seas user statistics for 2022 on Copernicus based maps.



# EMODnetOngoing contributions to coastal related initiatives



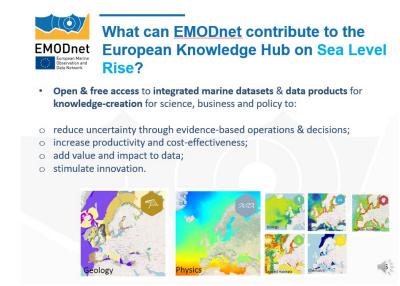
### JPI Oceans Sea Level Rise Knowledge Hub as:

- Presenter/participant at kick-off meeting, April 2020
- Co-Chair of Task Group on Communication and Outreach, member of the Steering Committee
- Contributor to Sea Level Rise event, Venice, October
   2022 and the Assessment Report



### **UN Ocean Decade activity** as:

- COAST Predict-CORE Advisor
- Collaborative Centre on Ocean Prediction Advisor
- DITTO on digital Twins + TURTLE & many more





CoastPredict - Observing and Predicting the Global Coastal Ocean





# **EMODnet**: A key contributor to the Ocean Decade

# EMODnet is relevant to all 6 Ocean Decade objectives:



- o A sustainable and productive ocean.
- A transparent and accessible **ocean**.
- o A clean **ocean**.
- A healthy and resilient **ocean**.
- o A predicted **ocean**.

«EMODnet – a true hallmark in Marine Observations, Data and networking – is hugely important, not only for Europe, but as an example for other regions, and a valuable partner for IOC of UNESCO». Vladimir Ryabinin, **Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental** Oceanographic Commission (IOC-UNESCO)



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- EMODnet has a key role to play together with other marine knowledge actors across the world to realise a truly transparent and accessible ocean whereby all nations, stakeholders and citizens have:
- simplified access to ocean data, information and knowledge, through user-driven interfaces and online data discovery and access services based on machine-machine communication;
- o **trust in the provenance of the data** (through standardized, rich metadata) to increase the uptake and use and;
- the capacity and knowledge to use marine data services and web-based collaborative spaces/digital ecosystems where marine data can be utilized for solution-oriented applications and informed decisions.

# **EMODnet:** Strengthening Partnerships for International Interoperability and







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- A key partner for open data, open science, data diplomacy and digital data stewardship in Europe, and beyond;
- Interoperable data discovery and access, in collaboration with other key data services
- Further diversifying data parameters and sources (e.g. industry, citizen science)
- **Extending FAIR** to FAIR, CARE and TRUST

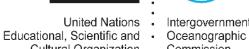


**T**ransparency, **R**esponsibility, User focus, **S**ustainability and **T**echnology



# EMODnet: A regional marine data, information and knowledge service directly contributing in diverse ways to the UN Ocean Decade







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2021 United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development







"We want global data and information systems and EMODnet's guidelines are great for community of practice. The network is also a role model for other regions." Peter Pissierssens, IOC-IODE UNESCO

### **Ongoing activities**

- Co-Chair of the UN Ocean Decade (OD) Data Coordination **Group**(EMODnet Secretariat);
- Contributor and expert to the IWSODIS Intersessional Working Group Strategy on Ocean Data and Information Stewardship for the UN DecadeMODnet Coordinators);
- Multiple inputs to UN OD Actions:
  - DITT(Digital Twins of the Ocean, Steering partner)
  - COAST PREDI(Advisor role)
  - Ocean Best Practice(£MODnet referenced)
- Ocean Data and Information System (ODAN):EMODnet thematic portals/central portal are registered on ODIS catalogue. Additional records will be added from the Ebina EMODPACE marine data project;
- IOC OcealmfoHubProject (OIH)EMODnet is a European focal point & technical advisor to the development of ODIS architecture & interoperability with EMODnet.



## **EMODnet for Global**

- Contributions to the Ocean Decade as a Decade Implementing Partner: strengthen contributions to international developments and initiatives, in support of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development and the IODE programme of IOC-UNESCO.
- An informal working group 'EMODnet for the
   Ocean Decade Coordination and Implementation
   Group' (E4D-CIG) aligning the work plans with the
   Data and Information Strategy of the Ocean
   Decade, amongst other activities.
- Collaboration between EMODnet and the Chinese National Marine Data and Information Service will be maintained and even strengthened as agreed via a Memorandum of Understanding.

#### EMODnet for the Ocean Decade Coordination Group (E4OD-CG) Terms of Reference (ToR)

- First version in February 2022
- Approved at the 16<sup>th</sup> EMODnet Steering Committee Meeting (April 2022)

   Committee Meeting (April 2022)

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- Presented and approved at the EMODnet for the Ocean Decade Coordination Group Kick-off Meeting (June 2022)
- . Updated in January 2023 to reflect application for Decade Implementing Partner

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#### APPLICATION FOR DECADE IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

To be submitted electronically to the Decade Coordination Unit (DCU), including attachments as relevant. Please send the completed application to <u>i.barbiere@unesco.org</u>, with a copy to <u>a.clausen@unesco.org</u>.

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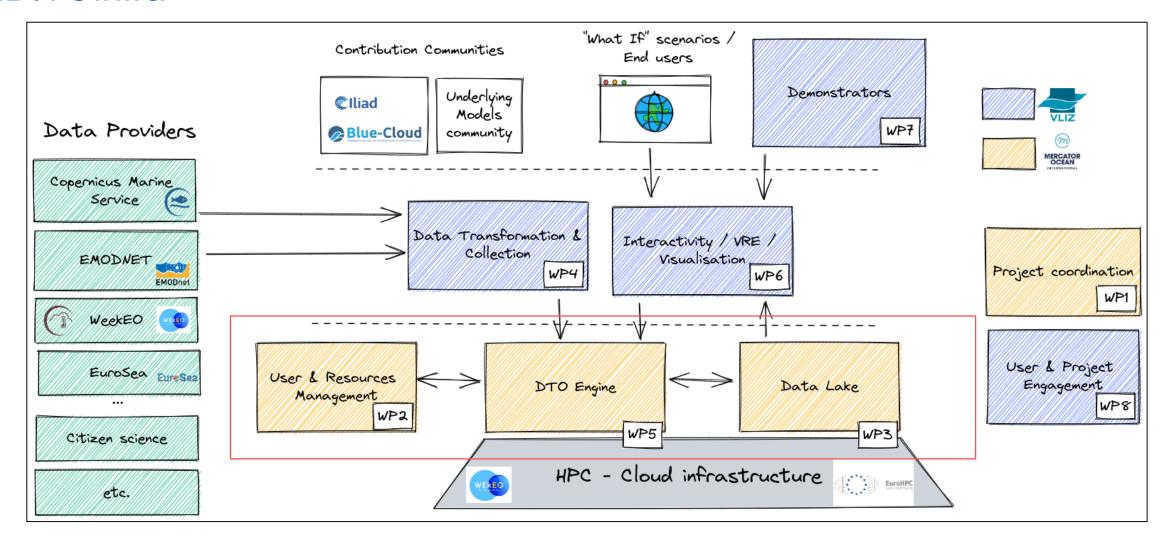
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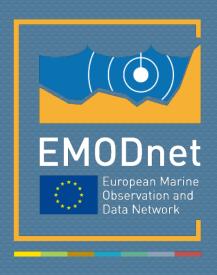
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