

# The European Marine Observation and Data Network

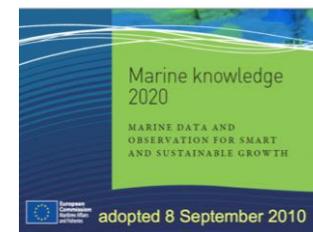


## EMODnet

EU-China Blue Year  
Event

1 June, 2017

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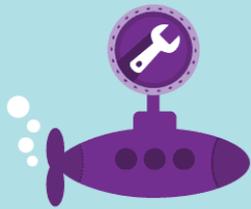


# BLUE GROWTH

71%  
of the Earth surface  
is **WATER**

## Why?

Blue Growth is the European Commission's initiative to further harness the potential of Europe's oceans, seas and coasts for:



**Jobs**



**Value**



**Sustainability**



## Focus Area

Five sectors with high potential for sustainable Blue Growth are to be further developed:



other sectors of the blue economy crucial for value & jobs



## The 5 Blue Growth sectors

**Biotechnology**  
medicines,  
industrial enzymes

**Renewable energy**  
wind, waves,  
tides, biofuel

**Coastal & Maritime Tourism**  
coastal tourism,  
cruise tourism,  
yachting

**Aquaculture**  
farming of fish,  
shellfish, marine plants

**Mineral resources**  
gravel, sand,  
zinc, cobalt,  
copper



There is only one Earth, with only one history, and we get only one chance to record it. Ideas not followed through can be taken up again later. A record not made is gone for good. *Editorial - Nature 450*, 761 (6 December 2007)



# Cost of Ocean Observation in EU

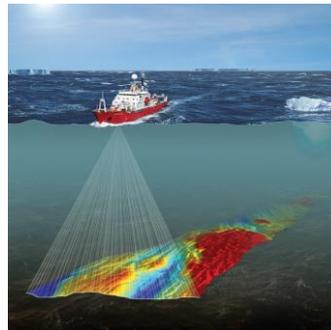
Space data: € 400 M per year

In-situ data: > €1 billion per year

# what's the Problem?

Data Acquisition  
(Observations)

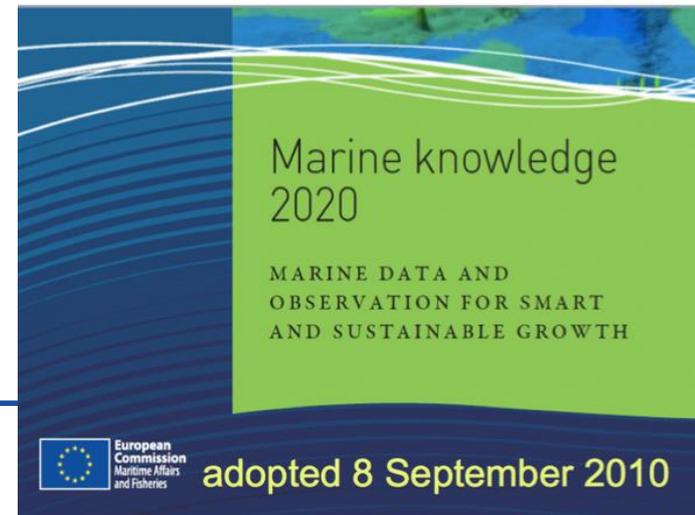
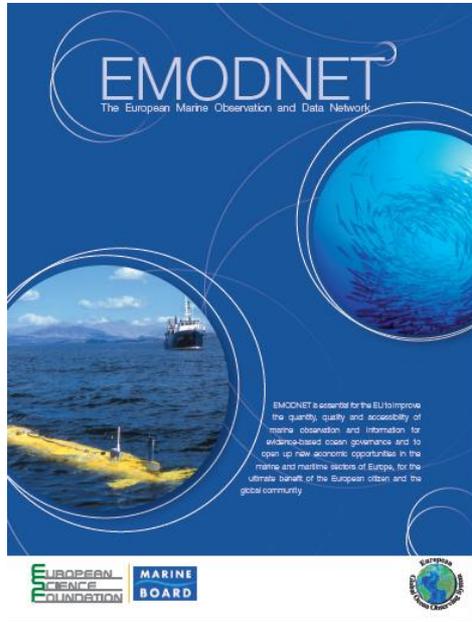
Data management & access



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# What can EU do?

- Change the present fragmented EU repositories of marine data with an interoperable sharing framework
- Move to a new paradigm where data are collected once and used for many purposes
- Optimize observation networks by showing how monitoring meets the needs of public and private users (CHECKPOINT)



A vision for an end-to-end, integrated, inter-operable and user-oriented network of European marine observation and data systems



# Vision Target for 2020

- **Seamless multi-resolution digital seabed map of European waters by 2020**
  - Topography, geology, habitats and ecosystems;
  - Highest resolution possible in areas that have been surveyed;
- **Accompanied by timely information on**
  - Physical, chemical and biological state of the overlying water column
  - Oceanographic forecasts;
- **Easily accessible, interoperable and free of restrictions on use;**

# Data

## **Bathymetry**

Data on bathymetry (water depth), coastlines, and geographical location of underwater features such as wrecks

## **Geology**

Data on seabed substrate, seafloor geology, coastal behaviour, geological events and probabilities, and minerals

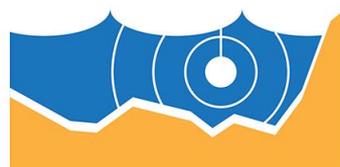
# Metadata

## **Biology**

Data on temporal and spatial distribution of species abundance and biomass from several taxa

## **Human activities**

Data on the intensity and spatial extent of human activities at sea



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Central Portal

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## **Seabed habitats**

Data on modelled seabed habitats based on seabed substrate, energy, biological zone and salinity

## **Chemistry**

Data on concentrations of chemicals (pesticides, heavy metals, antifoulants) in water, sediments and biota

## **Physics**

Data on salinity, temperature, waves, currents, sea level, light attenuation and FerryBox data

# Data Products

# Data Services

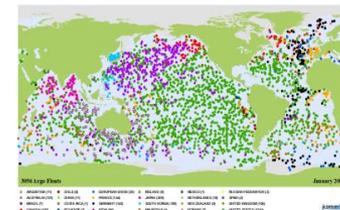
# *More than just access to data & products*

- **Reducing fragmented** marine data landscape
- **Platform for collaboration**: bringing together key European providers, integrators, networks & infrastructures (e.g. EuroGOOS, CMEMS, SDNet, OBIS, ICES, PANGAEA, RSCs, HOs, GeoSurveys...)
  - Stimulate adoption of standards and develop joint solutions for common problems
  - Facilitate down- and up-stream integration & interoperability (WMS, WFS, Web Service, etc.)
- **Raising visibility** of Europe's wealth of marine observations & data resources → attracting more users and more providers
- **Changing culture** towards open data sharing practices & increased collaboration
- **Multi-disciplinary and increasingly global**
- **Long term infrastructure & service** supported by DG MARE



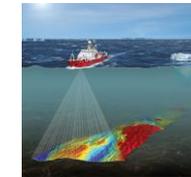
## Benefits for data users

- Reduced costs for offshore activities
  - no need to repeat measurement that made by others
  - costs less to assemble data from different sources
- Stimulation of innovation and competition
- Reduced uncertainty in knowledge
- Better policies & management



## Benefits for data providers

- Increase number/kinds of users - help justify investments
- Contribute to data products - increase visibility
- Make better use of own data via access to others' data
- May help data providers comply with their obligations





# How does it work?

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users

Expert User  
Group



Are data fit for use?  
**EMODnet Sea-Basin Checkpoints**  
As surrogate users

*service providers* services to customers

access to data and data products from more than one theme

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EMODnet THEMATIC GROUPS provide access to data and create data products

Steering Committee

Bathymetry

Chemistry

Habitats

Physics

Geology

Biology

Human activity

HOs

SDC

RSCs

Euro  
GOOS

CMEMS

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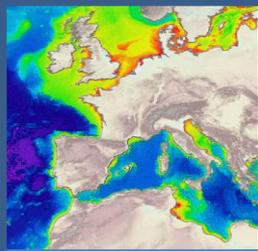
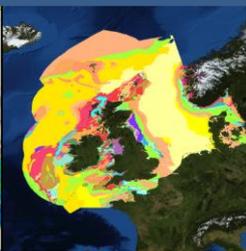
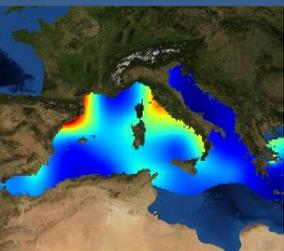
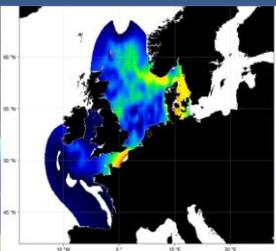
RSCs

Data repositories in Member States

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# Thematic data coverage

Bathymetry	Geology	Seabed habitats	Chemistry	Biology	Physics	Human activities
						
<p><b>Bathymetric Data and metadata from surveys</b></p> <p><b>Bathymetry layers:</b> average, minimum, maximum water depths</p> <p><b>Higher resolution data layers in coastal areas</b></p> <p><b>Underwater features</b></p> <p><b>Shipwrecks</b></p>	<p><b>Coastal behaviour (migration)</b></p> <p><b>Geological events and probabilities</b> (volcanoes, landslides)</p> <p><b>Minerals</b> (gas hydrate deposits, sulphides, phosphorite, cobalt)</p> <p><b>Seabed substrate</b> (gravel, sand, mud)</p> <p><b>Seafloor geology</b></p> <p><b>Seismology</b></p>	<p><b>Depth</b></p> <p><b>Seabed substrate</b> Energy at seabed (waves &amp; current)</p> <p><b>Salinity</b></p> <p><b>Temperature</b></p> <p><b>Light at seabed</b></p> <p><b>Oxygen at seabed</b></p>	<p><b>DDT</b> <b>PCB</b> <b>TBT</b> <b>TPT</b></p> <p><b>Oxytetracycline</b> <b>Mercury</b> <b>Cadium</b> <b>Lead</b> <b>Anthracene</b> <b>Fluoroanthene</b> <b>Cs137</b> <b>Pu239</b> <b>Nitrogen (Din, TN)</b> <b>Phosphorus (DIP, TP)</b> <b>pH,pCO2,alkalinity</b> <b>O2,CO2</b> <b>Polyethylene</b> <b>Polypropylene</b> <b>Chlorophyll</b> <b>Silicates</b> <b>Organic Matter</b></p> <p><b>10-y running averages</b></p>	<p><b>Biomass Abundance Gridded</b> <b>Abundance (DIVA)</b></p> <p><i>species groups</i> phytoplankton zooplankton angiosperms macro-algae invertebrate bottom fauna</p> <p>birds mammals reptiles Fish</p> <p><b>Temporal evolution in species distribution and abundance</b></p>	<p><b>Waves</b></p> <p><b>Water temperature</b></p> <p><b>Water salinity/conductivity/density</b></p> <p><b>Currents</b></p> <p><b>Light attenuation/fluorescence</b></p> <p><b>Sea level</b></p> <p><b>Wind</b></p> <p><b>Underwater noise</b></p> <p><b>River</b></p> <p><b>Ice</b></p>	<p><b>Aggregate Extraction</b> <b>Dredging</b></p> <p><b>Fisheries</b></p> <p><b>Hydrocarbon Extraction</b> <b>Main Ports</b></p> <p><b>Mariculture</b></p> <p><b>Ocean Energy Facilities</b></p> <p><b>Pipelines and Cables</b></p> <p><b>Protected Areas</b></p> <p><b>Waste Disposal</b></p> <p><b>Wind Farms</b></p> <p><b>Other Forms of Area Management /</b></p>

## Get started

Search over 150 data sets, services and maps, ...

### EMODnet Data Portal

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	<p><b>World Marine Heritage Sites</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>world_countries_coasts</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>world_estuary_delta</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>
	<p><b>World Bays, Gulfs, Lagoons, Inlets, Coves, Fjords, Creeks, ....</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>SeaVoX - Sea Areas Polygons (v16, 2015)</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>OSPAR Regions</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>
	<p><b>OSPAR Boundaries</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>North America Coastal Water Bodies</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>		<p><b>Global Biogeochemical Provinces (Longhurst)</b> <i>Dataset</i></p>

# EMODnet Checkpoints

MedSea

North Sea

Arctic

Baltic

Atlantic

Black Sea

2013

2013

2015

2015

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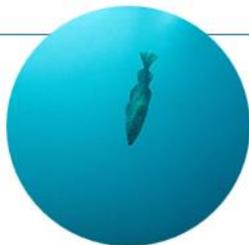
Coast

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Fisheries management

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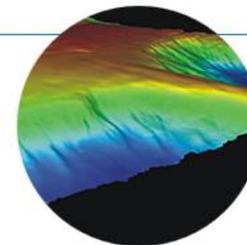
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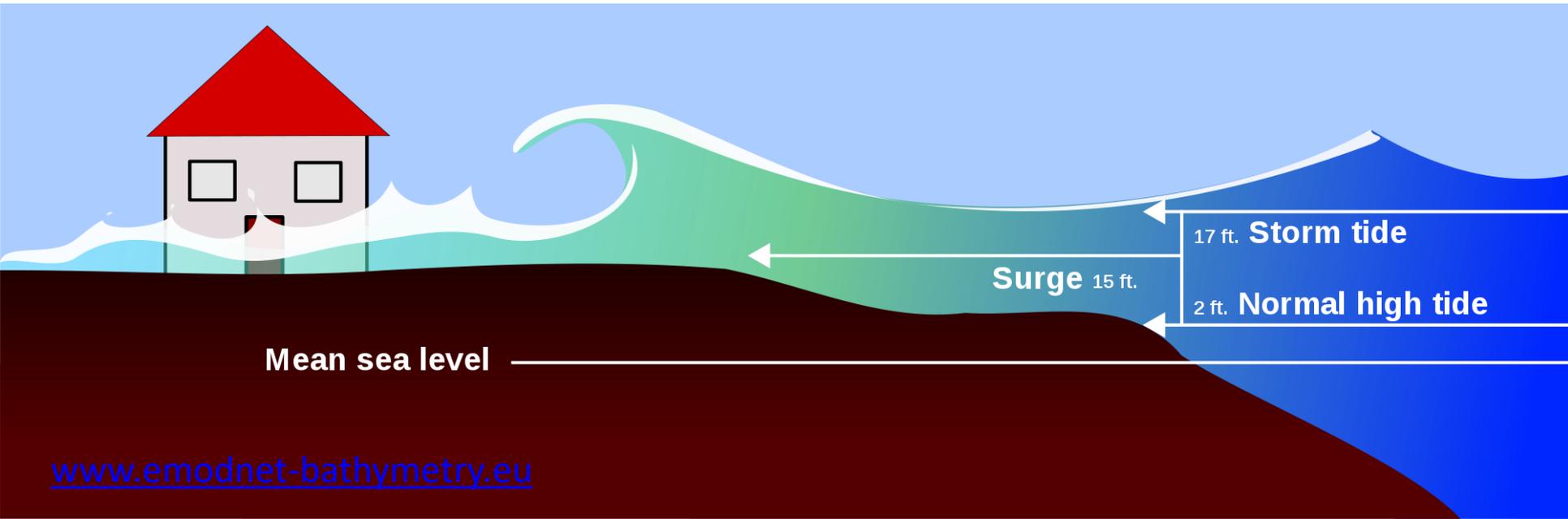
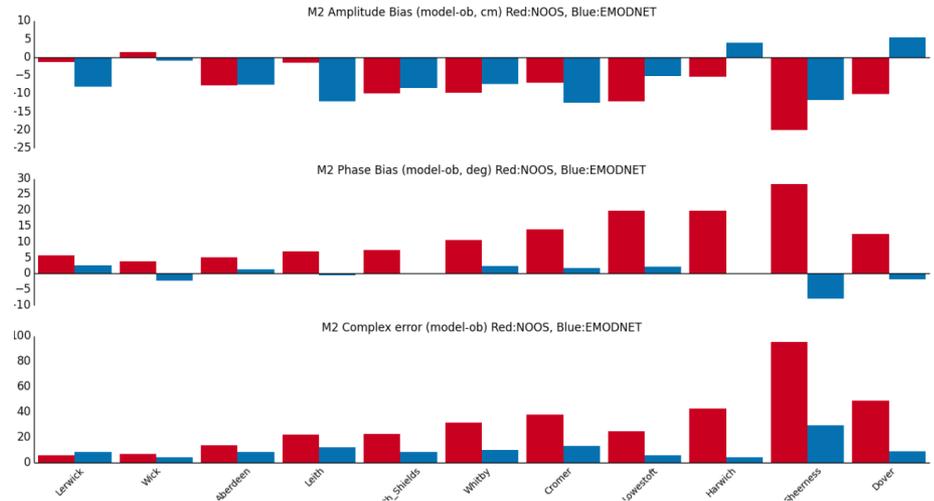


Targeted at professionals, well-informed experts, policy advisors from 4 main communities:

- 1. Public sector organisations and authorities**
- 2. Civil society (NGOs, ...)**
- 3. SME's and large companies from private sector**
- 4. Research Community**

# EMODnet bathymetry

- UK Met Office & NOC new storm surge forecast model
- Requires tidal solution is accurate which in turn requires an accurate bathymetry.
- Using a bathymetry based on the EMODnet dataset led to an overall improvement in the model tide significant improvements using EMODnet.





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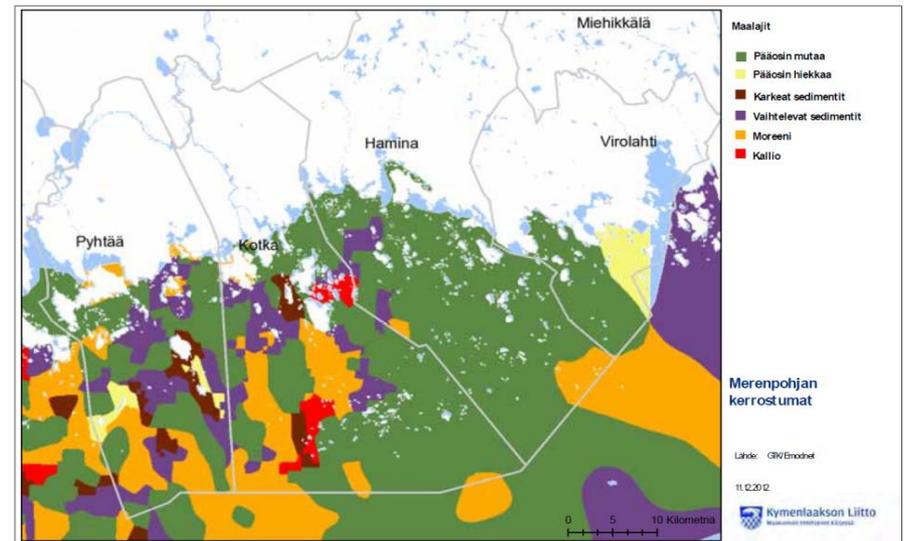
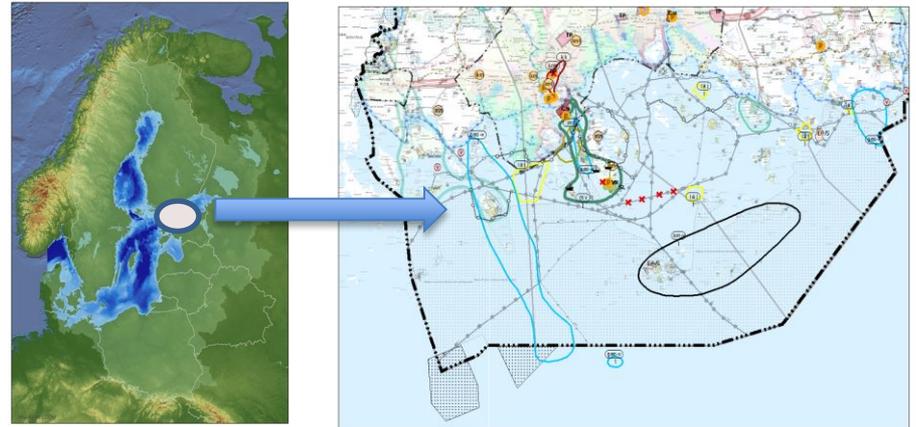
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# EMODnet Geology

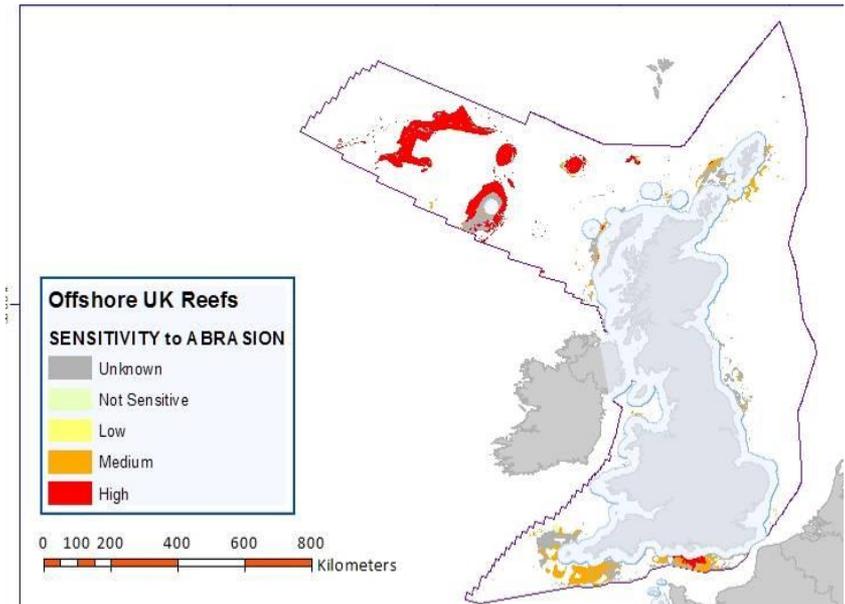
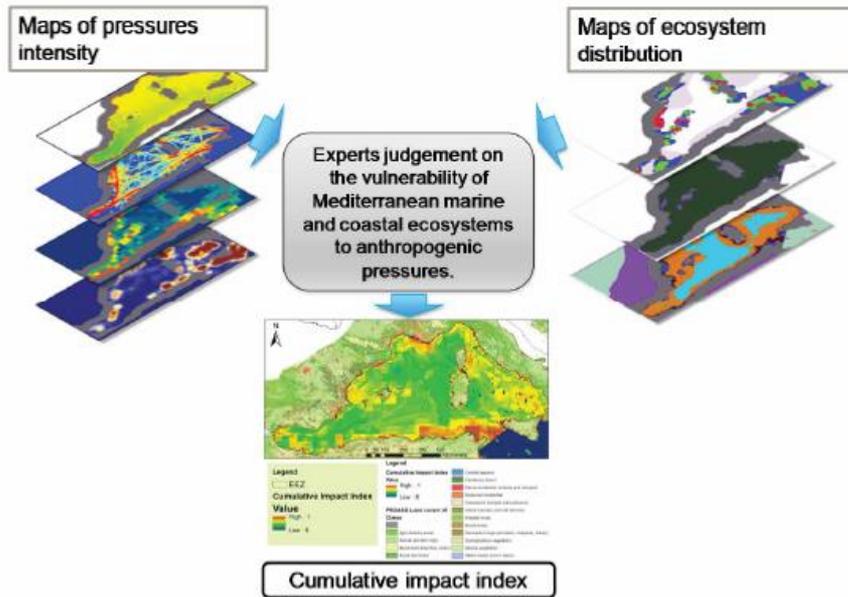
- Gulf of Finland Regional Plan for Trade and the Sea Area
- **EMODnet-Geology** seabed substrate data provided to planners.
- Marine geologists (and biologists) interacted with planners to evaluate what is available for marine spatial planning.
- Information can be understood by decision-makers



# EMODnet Seabed Habitats

## Enables a good many uses

- Joint land use - seabed habitats map for cumulative impact index (FP7 Pegaso)
- Sensitivity maps for assessing Seabed Integrity





It is all about sharing & bringing people and ideas together

