# **EMODnet-Geology**

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# **EMODnet**

## **EMODnet-Geology**

- Contract signed 16 October 2013
- 4.2 million euros awarded for 36 months; project ends 15
   October 2016
- 36 partners from 30 countries including all European seas.
- Building on preparatory phase, but with more detail (1:250,000 scale) and added information (e.g coastal behaviour, Quaternary geology)



## **EMODnet-Geology partners**

 Natural Environment Research Centre (BGS-NERC); University of Sussex; Centre for Aquaculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, UK (CEFAS)

Finland - Geological Survey of Finland – Geologian tutkimuskeskus (GTK)
Sweden - Geological Survey of Sweden – Sveriges Geologiska Undersokning (SGU)
Norway - Geological Survey of Norway – Norges Geologiske Undersokelse (NGU)

Denmark & Greenland - Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland – De Nationale Geologiske Undersogelser for Danmark or Greenland (GEUS)
Faroe Islands - Jardfeingi (Faroe Islands Geological Survey)
Iceland - Íslenskar orkurannsóknir – Iceland GeoSurvey

Estonia - Geological Survey of Estonia - Eesti Geoloogiakeskus (GSE) Latvia - Latvijas Vida Geologijas un Meteorologijas Centrs (LVGMC)

Lithuania - Lithuanian Geological Survey (LGS)
Poland - Polish Geological Institute – National Research Institute (PGI-NRI)
Netherlands - Geological Survey of the Netherlands (TNO)

Belgium - Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences - Geological Survey of Belgium (GSB)

France - Bureau de Recherches Geologiques et Minieres (BRGM, France), IFREMER Ireland - Geological Survey of Ireland (GSI) Spain - Geological Survey of Spain – Instituto Geológico de España (IGME)

Potugal - Instituto Portugues do Mar da Atmosfera (IPMA) Italy - Istituto Superiore per la Protezione e la Ricerca Ambientale – Servizi Geologico d'Italia (ISPRA)

Slovenia - Geological Survey of Slovenia (GeoZs)

Croatia - Geological Survey of Croatia - Hrvatski Geoloski Institut (HGI) Montenegro - Geological Survey of Montenegro – Zavod za Geologoska Istrazivanja (GEOZAVOD)

Albania - Geological Survey of Albania (GSA)

Greece - National Center for Sustainable Development, Greece (EKBAA); Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR)
Bulgaria - Institute of Oceanology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (IO-BAS)

Romania - National Research and Development Institute for Marine Geology and Geoecology, Romania (GeoEcoMar); Geological Institute of Romania

Turkey - Dokuz Eylul University, Turkey

Cyprus - Geological Survey of Cyprus

Malta - Malta Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, Continental Shelf Division

Russia - AP Karpinsky Russian Geological Research Institute (VSEGEII)

Germany - Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources – Bundesanstalt Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe, Germany (BGR)
Ukraine - Prychornomorske State Regional Geological Enterprise, Ukraine

## **EMODnet**

#### Main deliverables at 1:250,000 scale

- Sea-bed substrate including rate of accumulation of recent sediments
- the sea-floor geology (bedrock geology) and all boundaries and faults that can be represented at the 1:250,000 compilation scale with information on the lithology and age of each geological unit
- geological events and probabilities (landslides, volcanic activity, earthquake epicentres)
- Minerals (including aggregates, oil and gas)
- Coastal type and behaviour supplemented by information on coastal erosion or sedimentation and the rate at which it occurs.
- All interpretative products will be based on primary information owned by the project partners, supplemented with other information in the public domain.
- Where the most up-to-date geological information is held on third-party websites, arrangements will be made for web-mapping services to provide these data to the EMODnet-Geology portal.
- All map outputs added to One-Geology Europe



## Workpackages

- WP1. Project Management (October 2013-October 2016)
- WP2. Geological data specification and sourcing (October 2013-January 2014)
- WP3. Sea-bed substrate (February 2014-October 2014). Led by GTK, Finland. Includes case study led by CEFAS, UK)
- WP4. Sea-floor geology. Led by BGR, Germany
- WP5. Coastal behaviour. Led by TNO, The Netherlands
- WP6. Geological events and probabilities. Led by ISPRA, Italy
- WP7. Minerals. Led by GSI, Ireland
- WP8. Web services and technology. Construction phase October 2013-October
- WP9. Dissemination.
- WP10. Liaison with EMODnet lots and other related groups/projects.
- WP11. Project analysis and sustainability (July 2016-October 2016)

**WP1. Project Management** 



- First bi-monthly report delivered to Secretariat on 17 January
- Kick-off meeting held in Lisbon on 21-22 January attended by representatives from 31 of our 36 partners. Also attended by Jacques Populus Coordinator of Physical Habitats lot.
- Next meeting 30 September 1 October 2014 in Malta

# Workpackage 2. Geological data specification and sourcing

Led by BGS, United Kingdom



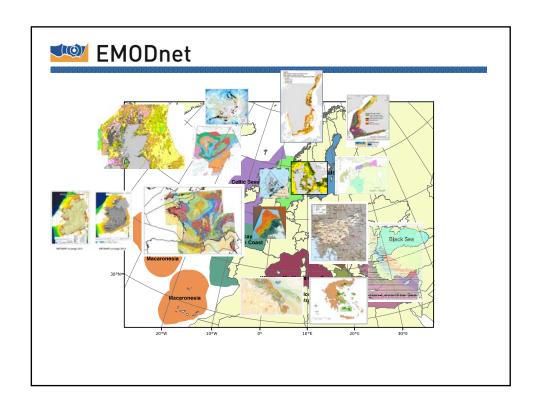
# Workpackage 2

Input: Data and interpreted information for all of the geological requirements specified in the tender documents

Objectives: To prepare and provide access to information required to deliver 1:250,000 maps of sea-bed substrates etc.

Method: Comprehensive audit and evaluation of national geological spatial datasets that can be compiled at 1:250,000 scale.

Each partner to present primary data available to the EMODnet-Geology Project



# Workpackage 3. Sea-bed substrate

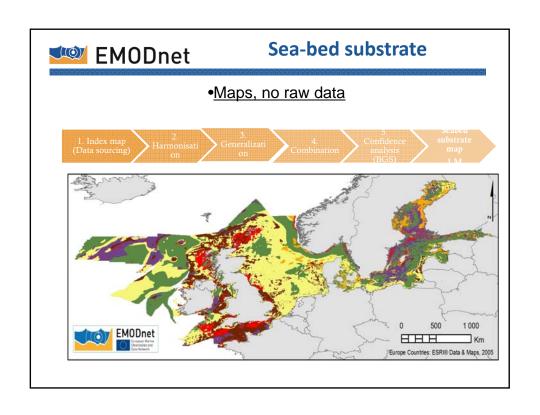
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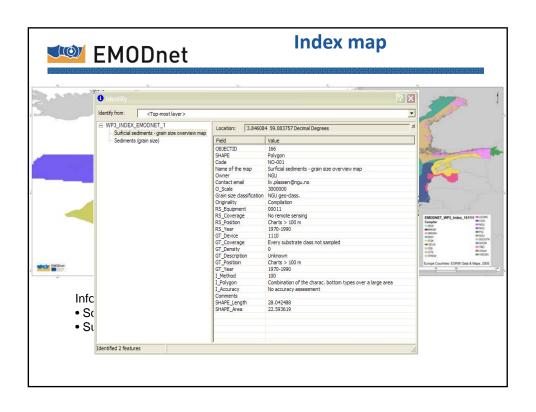


# **EMODnet**

## Sea-bed substrate

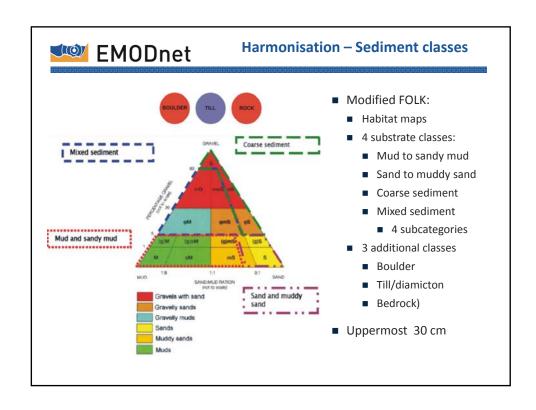
- Sea-bed substrate information/map (Scale 1:250,000 with an index map)
  - Confidence assessment
- Quaternary geology of the sea floor
- The rate of accumulation and sedimentation on the sea floor
  - Point source
- CEFAS, Case study: Maps of seabed substrate from acoustic and ground-truthing data.
- Links with COST action SPLASHCOS to consider palaeolandscapes



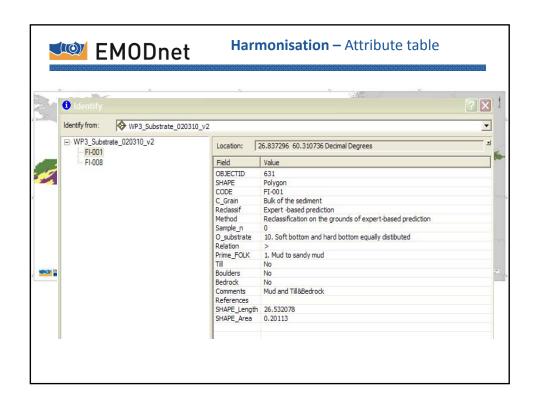


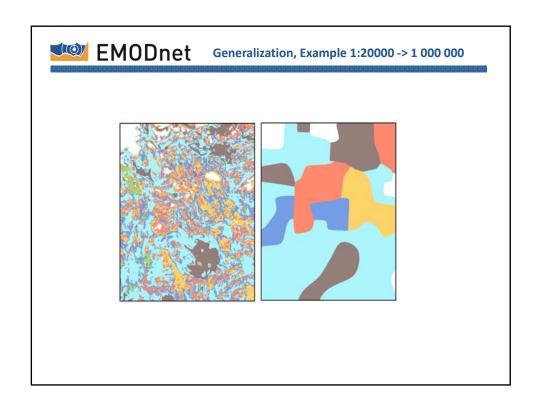


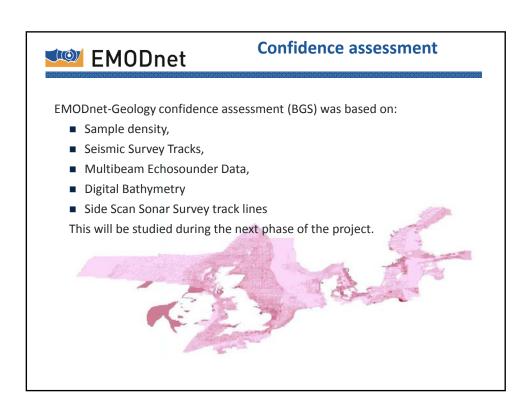
- Sediment maps are interpreted according to national standards
  - Different classification schemes
  - Different grain size limits
- Maps need to be "translated" into a shared scheme
- ■Integration with hydrographic, chemical and biological studies

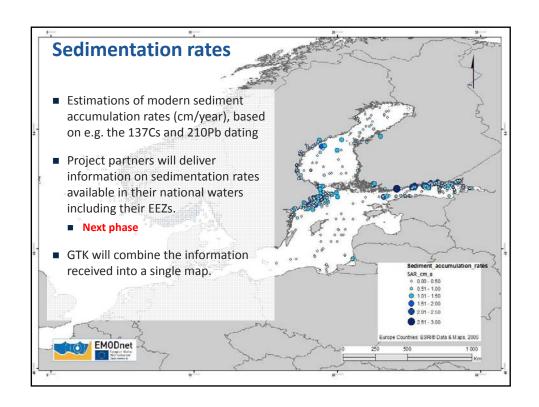


MODnet Har	
EUSeaMap Susbtrate	Finnish data
	Mud
Mud to sandy mud	Clayey mud/muddy clay
	Clay
Sand to muddy sand	Glacial clay and silt
,	Secondary sand
Coarse sediment	Gravel
Mixed sediment	Glacioaquatic sediments
Diamicton	Diamicton (till)
Boulders	
Rock	Bedrock









## **Schedule**

- Background data (coastline, boundary areas) to Partners by end February 2014
- Index map: March 2014
  - GTK will send guidelines by 5.2.2014
- Harmonisation: May 2014
  - GTK will send guidelines by 5.3.2014
- Combination & Generalization: August 2014
  - GTK will send guidelines by 30.5.2014
- Combined Sea-bed substrate data for checking to partners September 2014
- Data delivered to the EMODnet Habitat Mapping Project by November 2014
- Confidence, Quaternary, Accumulation after October 2014

# Workpackage 4. Sea-floor geology

Led by BGR, Germany





# Workpackage 3

## Input

Interpreted information on the sea-floor geology (bedrock + Quaternary geology) including the lithology and stratigraphy of the geology of the regional seas included in the proposal.

## **Objective**

To compile and harmonise all available sea-bed geology (outcrop/Quaternary?) and sub-Quaternary) information at a scale of 1:250,000.



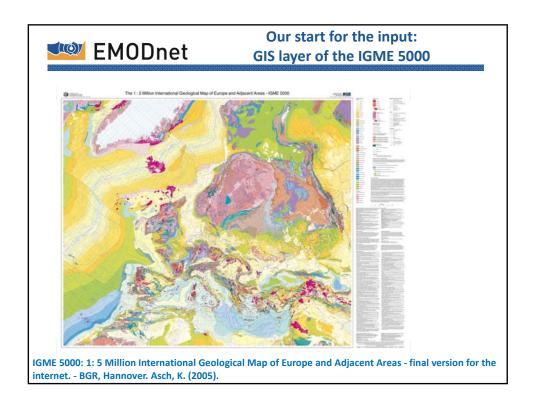
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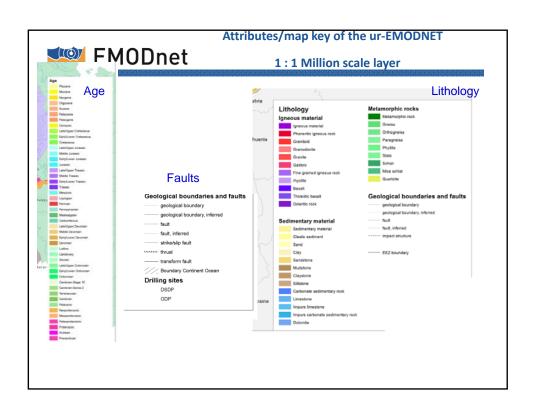
#### Method

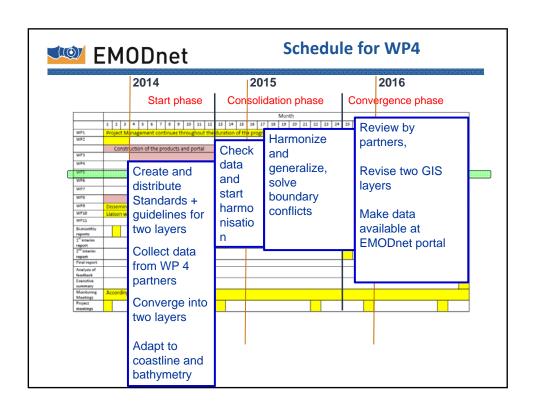
Collect and compile all sea-bed geology + geologically interpreted geophysical maps available in each participating country and resolve **any major boundary issues at 1:250,000** scale to deliver the sea-floor:

- ->Pre-Quaternary geology (age, lithology, genesis), boundaries and faults
- -> For Quaternary: Age, lithology, geomorphologic and glacigenic elements, faults

Use of the OneGeology/INSPIRE vocabulary









#### **Pre-Quaternary layer**

WP 4 needs:

■ Information about the Quaternary and pre-Quaternary maps/data you can provide

Feb 2014: we provide a form to list your appropriate data for WP 4

Feb 2014: We provide a draft vocabulary for the Attributes of the Quaternary and pre-Quaternary layer for you to review and check for missing terms

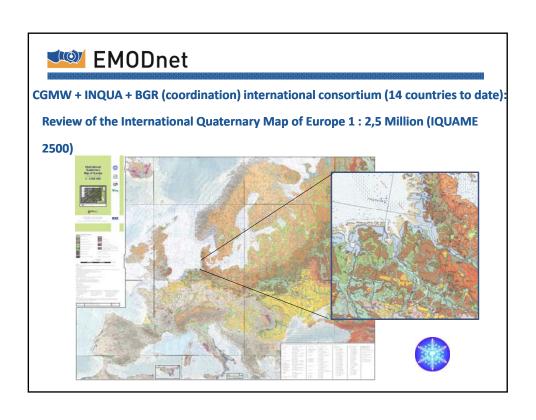
Spring: we provide ASAP guidelines for the input of your data

- Data in Arc GIS, optimally shape file, WSG 84
- of age, lithology, genesis, faults
- according to the INSPIRE conformal vocabulary similar to the one used in EMODNET first phase

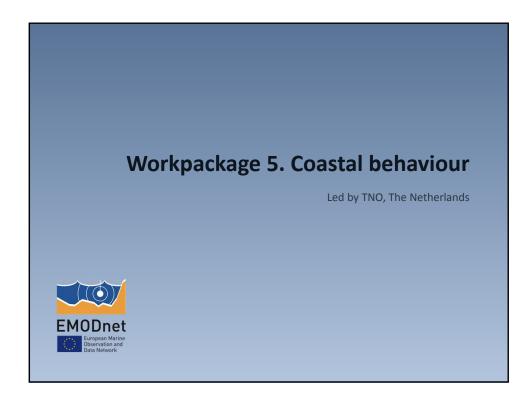


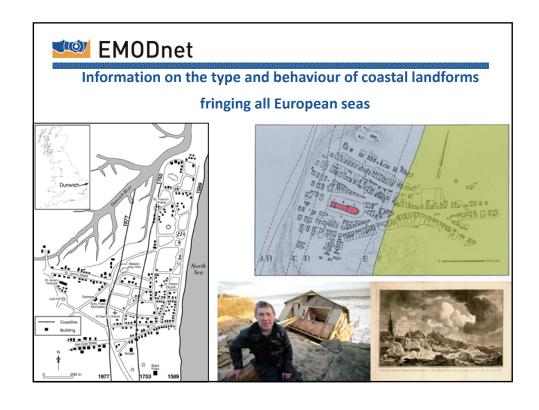
## **Quaternary layer**

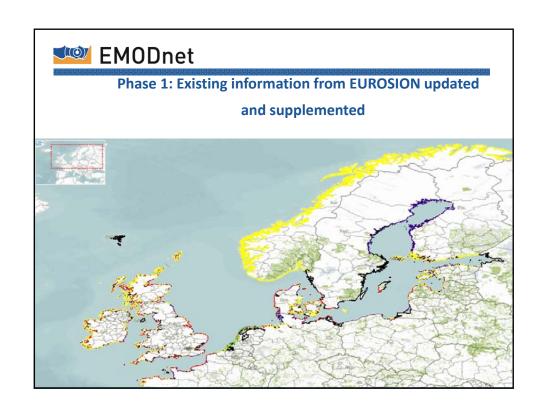
- Collect available Quaternary maps of EMODNET partners
- Should include age, lithology, genesis, faults, geomorphology, last glacial maxima (if available),
- Create synergies with IQUAME 2500 project of CGMW/IQUAME/BGR

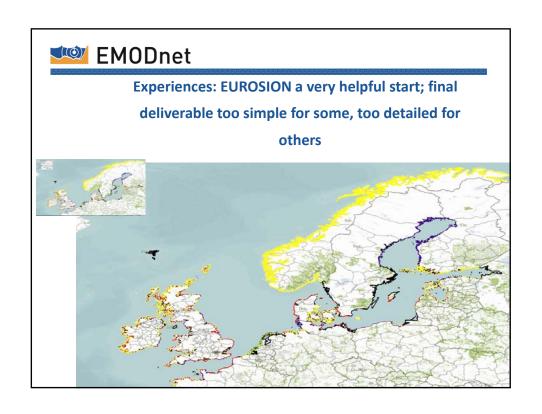


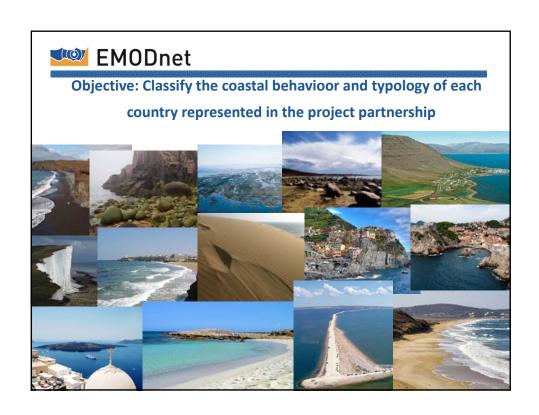
EMODnet IQUAME Age correlation						
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Holocene Holocen		ne	Holocene			
Upper Pleistocene Upper F		Pleistocene	Late/Upper Pleistocene			
Middle Pleistocene	iddle Pleistocene Ionian			Ionian		
Lower Pleistocene		Calabrian, Gelasian		Calabrian, Gelasian		
Northern Europe	Alps	East Europe 1	East Europe 2	INSPIRE value		
Weichsel	Würm	Valdai		Weichselian		
Eem		Mikulino		Eemian		
Riss	Saale	Moscow	Dnepr	Saalian		
Holstein		Likhvin		Holsteinian		
Elster	Mindel	Oka	Berezina	Elsterian		
Cromer C		Muchkap		"Cromerian complex"		
Cromer B	Günz	Don		"Cromerian complex"		
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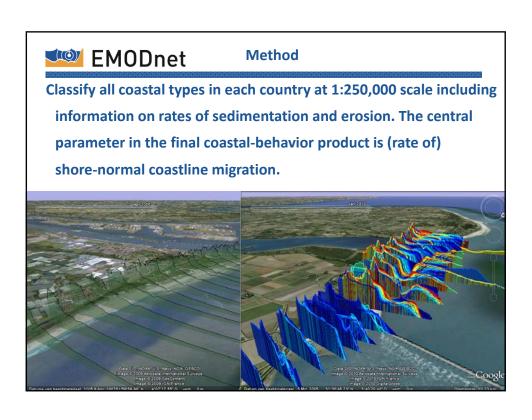


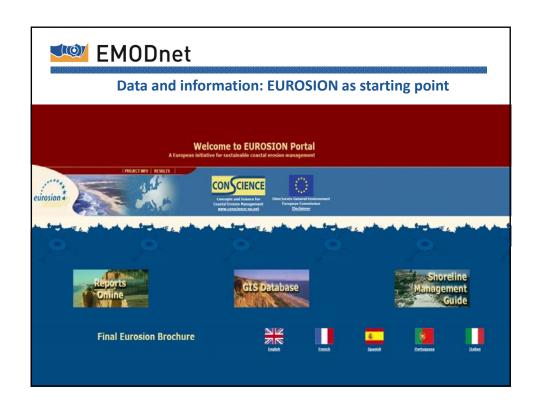




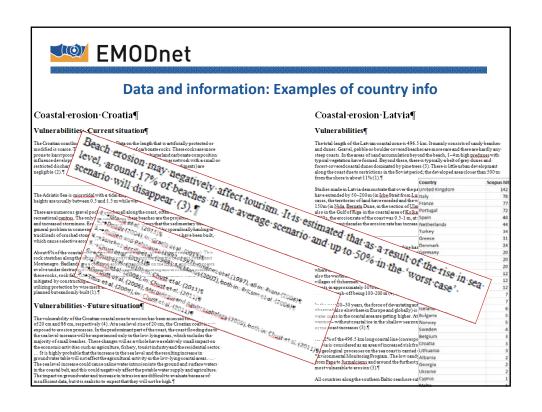


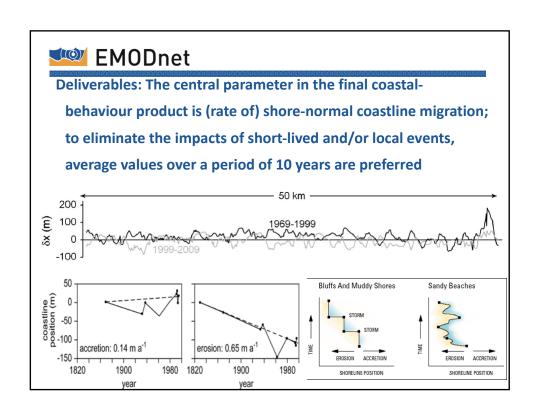


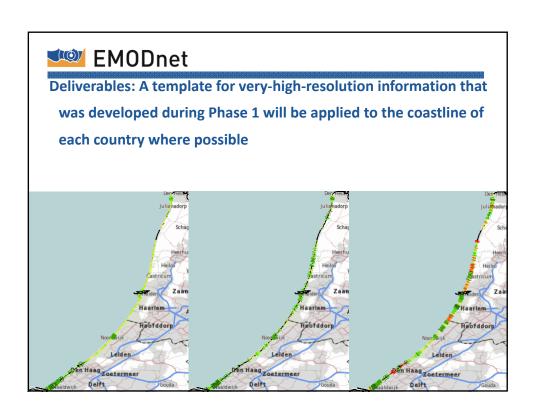


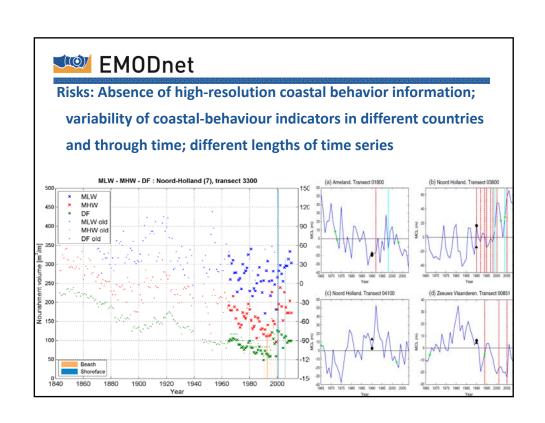


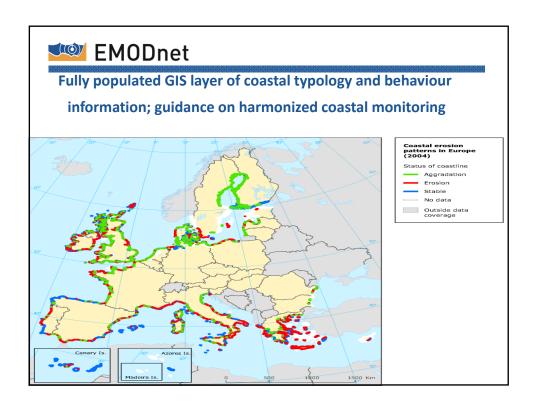






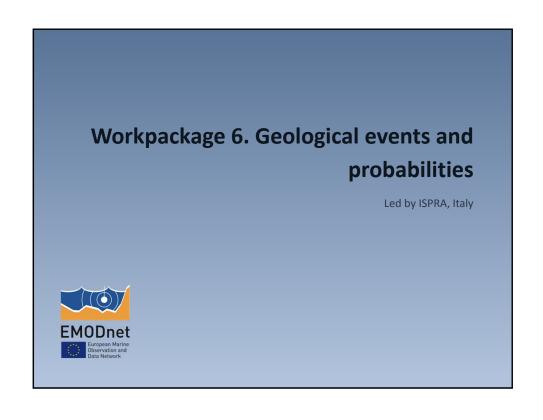


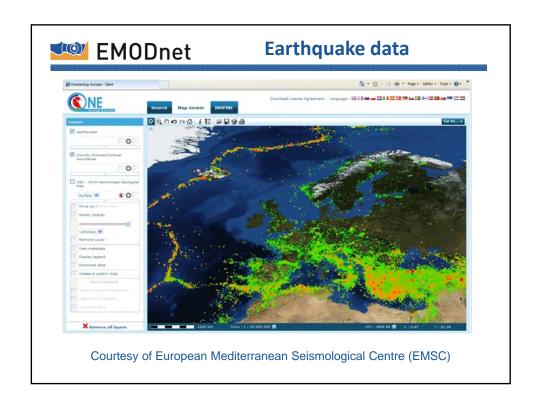


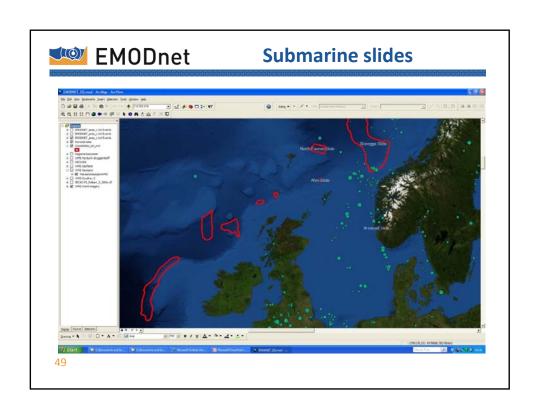


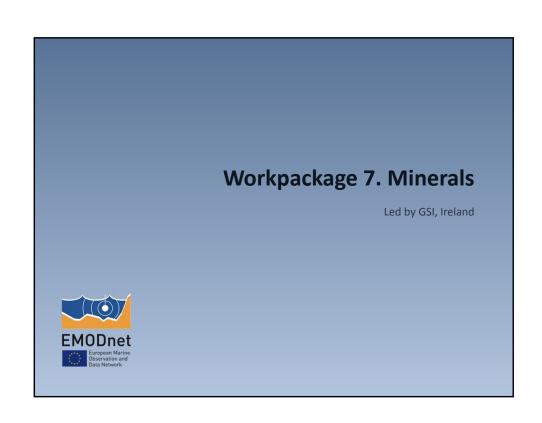
#### **Output and proposed steps**

- All: Overview of data/knowledge (+ owner) on coastal behavior/type
- All: Overview of relevant "grey" literature that is difficult to find
- All: Complete list of coastal types in source language and with translation into English (we want to get ideas for a full set of coastal types, leave room for (documented) national/regional differences → no EUROSION straightjacket)
- All: wish list → what is needed to make output nationally relevant?
- Cherith and Sytze: Think about coastal behavior in light of associated risk → dependent on resilience and socio-economic value
  - resilience → degree of change that coasts are able to withstand while keeping their integrity
  - value → areas that would suffer the most from coastal change











#### **Minerals**

#### **Objectives**

To identify and map areas of mineral deposits in each of the participating countries based on information available to the project partners

For this GSI will distribute a Task guide with example data tables and instructions

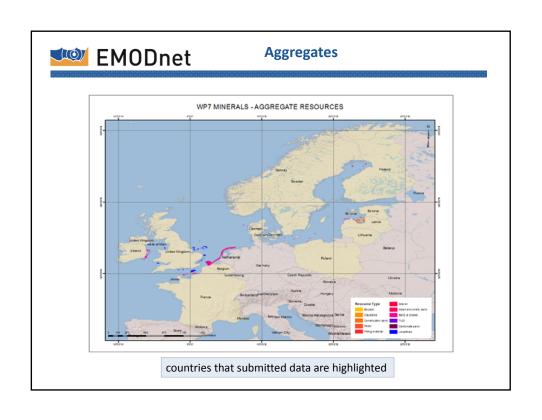
#### **Description/deliverables**

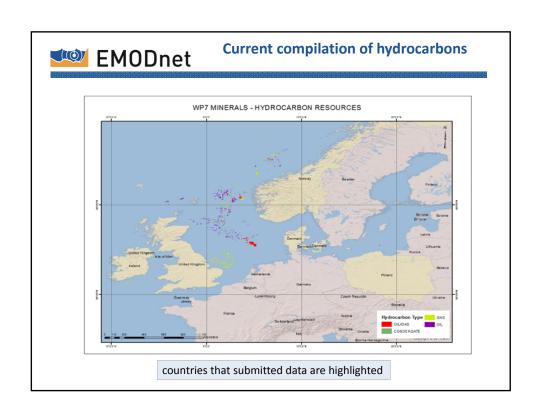
- Compile all mineral locations at 1:250,000 million scale
- Deliver to the GSI who will standardise and federate all data
- A GIS layer will be delivered in the OneGeology-Europe portal

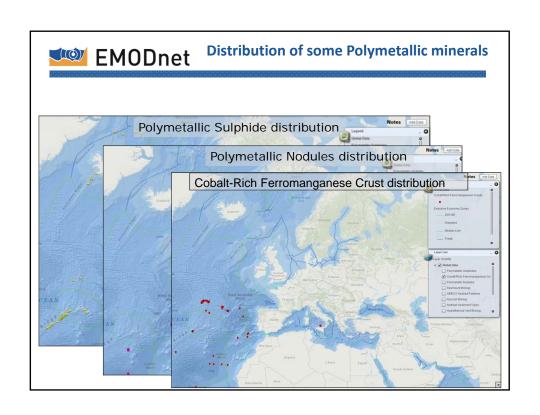


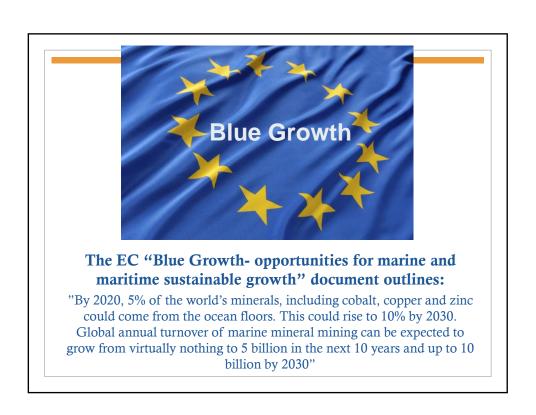
#### Requirements

- The main types of mineral deposits that occur on and beneath the seafloor, within national EEZs are:
  - aggregates
  - hydrocarbons
  - gas hydrates
  - placer, phosphorite & evaporite deposits
  - polymetallic sulphides,
  - polymetallic nodules
  - · cobalt rich crust.
- Information on marine minerals in the European regional seas, will include third-party data that can be linked to EMODnet through web-mapping services, but also including overviews of all publically available information (i.e. those not held under commercial restriction)
- WP7 is most dependent on third-party data









## MARINE MINERALS

Increased interest in marine minerals worldwide

Nautilus Ventures, polymetallic sulphides Kiribati

Deep Green Resources etc, polymetallic nodules Indian Ocean/

Atlantic Strategy EU. Specific reference to marine minerals

Horizon 2020 & EU Raw Materials initiative Specific references to mineral resources & seabed mining

Norwegian Workshop on Seabed Mining, Dec 2012

Sub Group of EGS Marine & Minerals Expert Groups – Marine Minerals

No current easy accessible web portal on this topic

WP7 can assist as "window" to data and expertise

Huge opportunity for Emodnet partners & GSO's.

#### **Deadlines**

Guidance and format from GSI by mid February

Shapefiles and index data back by end May

First updated draft of Aggregatess & Oil/Gas by September Workshop

Gas Hydrates, Nodules, VMS etc format proposed September

Send this data by end October

First draft of additional minerals & updated aggregates etc by end 2014

Case studies and six monthly updates thereafter.

## WP 8. Web services and technology

Led by BGS, United Kingdom





Potential platform for improvements to geological information - CKAN

- Open source and free data management solution
- Publish & find datasets
  - Publish datasets via import or through a web interface. Search by keyword or filter by tags. See dataset information at a glance. Full change history lets you easily undo changes or view old versions
- Store & manage data
  - Store the raw data and metadata. Visualise structured data with interactive tables, graphs and maps. Get statistics and usage metrics for your datasets.
     Search geospatial data on a map by area.
- Engage with users & others
  - Federate networks with other CKAN nodes. Build a community with extensions that allow users to comment on and follow datasets.
- Customise & extend
  - Use the API's programming interface, with over 60 extensions including link checking, comments, and analytics.

