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Your gateway to marine data in Europe




# EMODnet Biology

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## Outline



1. Admin  
2. Global interoperability  
3. DOI procedures  
4. Usage  
5. Coastline



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## Admin




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- ◉ Project signed 19th April 2017 (22 partners, 1 subcontractor)
- ◉ Kick off meeting 25-26 April 2017, Oostende
- ◉ Consortium agreement signed


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## Consortium





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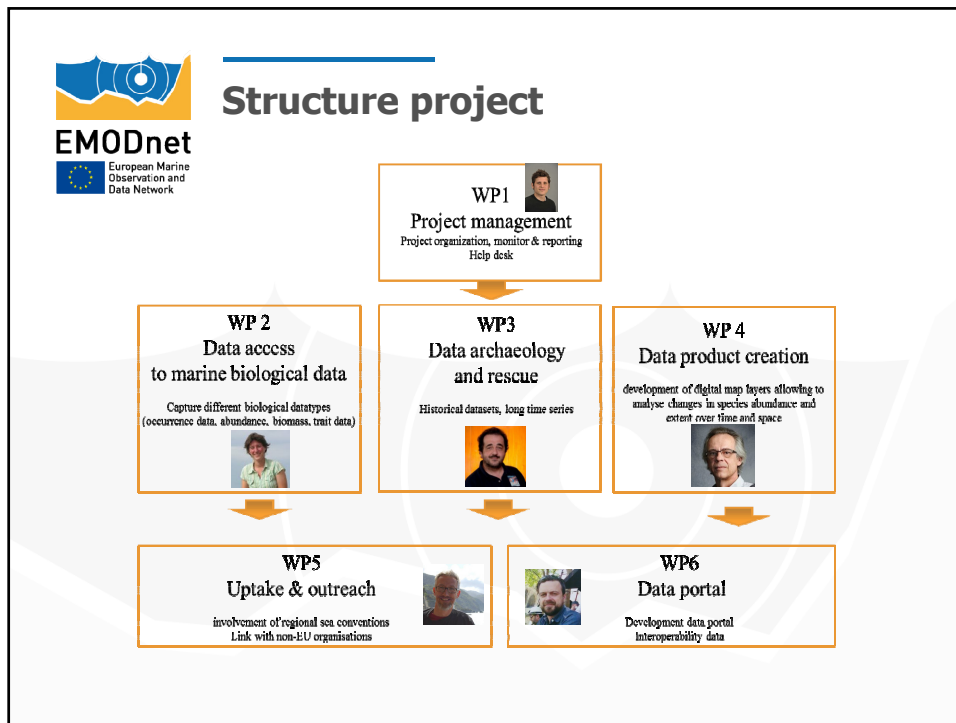












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## Data grants, deadline for application 15/10/2017

Calling all marine biological data collectors!

Does your organisation collect marine biological data? Are you interested in working with EMODnet Biology to make it freely available?

Then don't miss this opportunity! EMODnet Biology have opened a call for grants to join them as an Associate Data Partner. In addition to the financial support on offer, this is an excellent opportunity to work with world experts in marine biodiversity data collection and management. So if you are interested in working with EMODnet Biology to contribute to Europe's wealth of marine biodiversity data then make sure to apply before the call closes on **October 15<sup>th</sup> 2017!**

Find out more about how to become an EMODnet Biology Associated Data Partner







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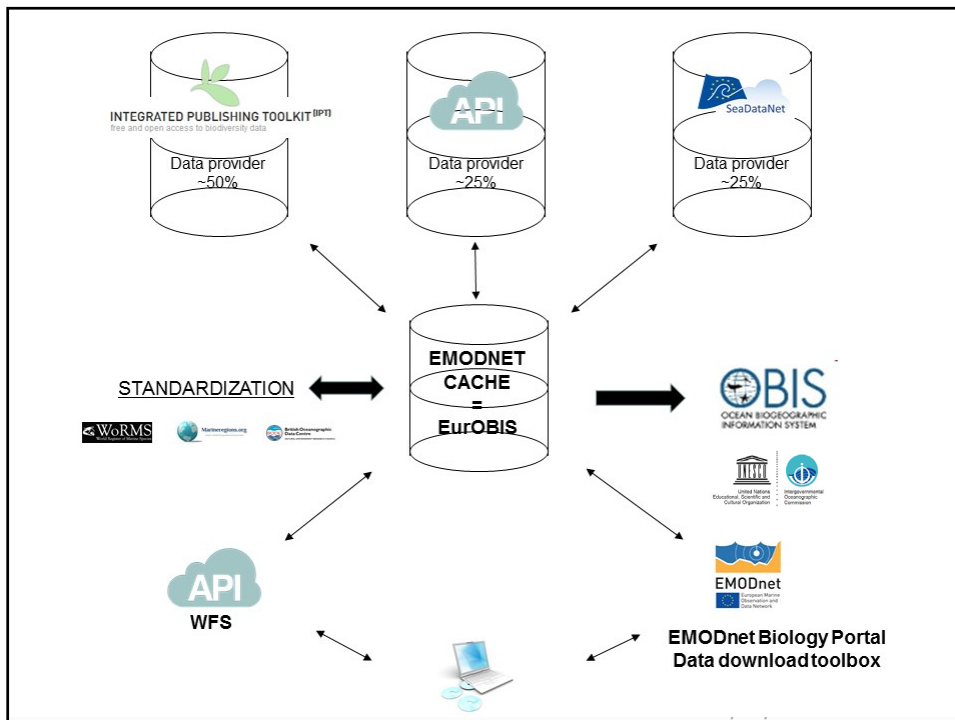
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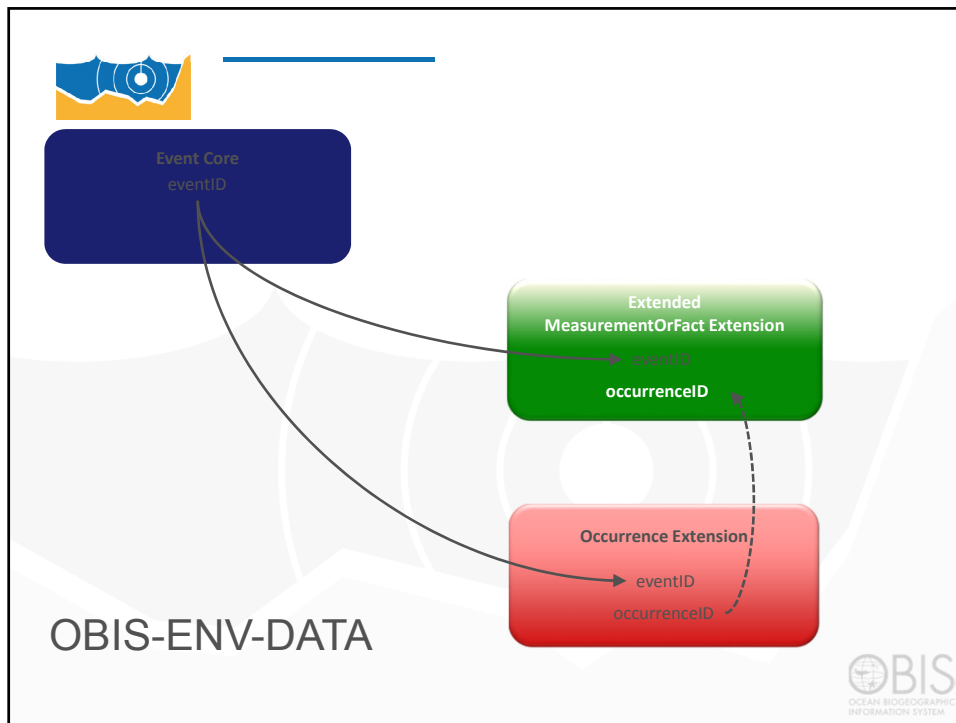


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## Status of portal in terms of global interoperability

- Infrastructure
- London workshop





## EMODnet London workshop, 10-10-2017

Essential Marine Biological Data Products

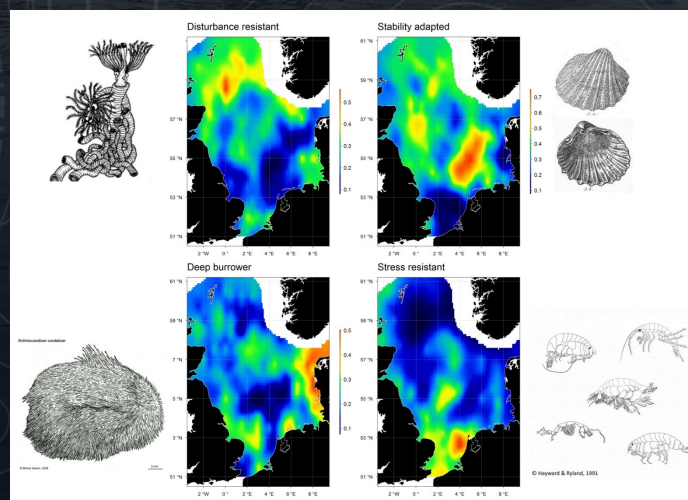
A workshop to inform the development of core data products from EMODnet Biology to support management, policy, planning and education.

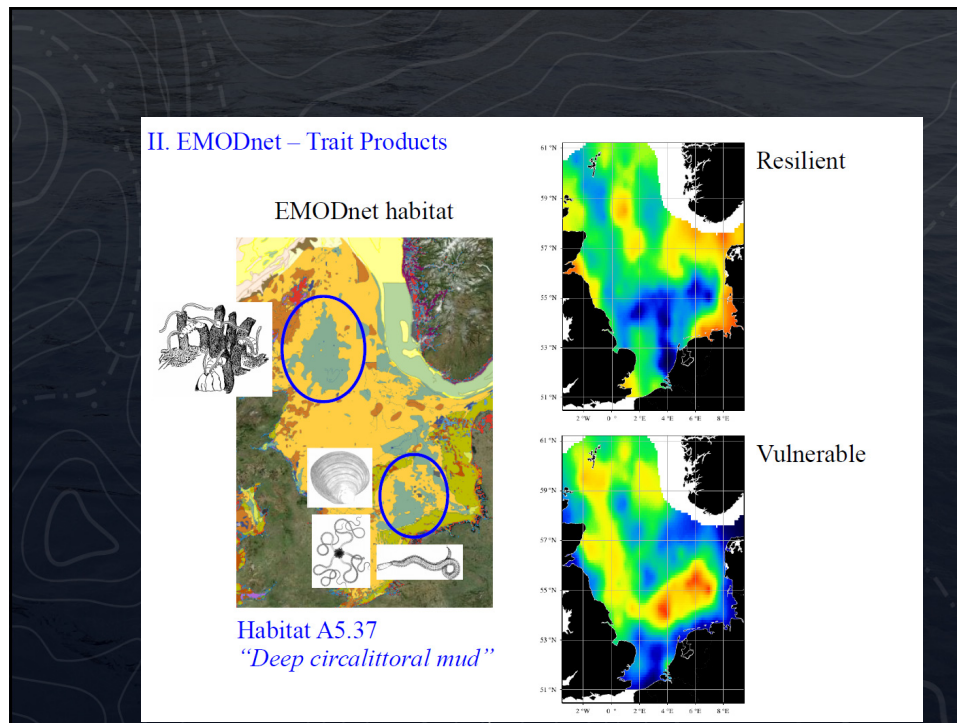
1. European regional seas needs
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2. Transatlantic and global needs
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## Analysis of data product needs from the Sea Basin checkpoint

In the EMODnet biology lot, we are searching for data gaps and new data products to serve the European community. The data adequacy reports of the six sea basins forms the ideal platform to search for biological data and product needs. In relation to biological data, different types can be looked for, as species occurrence, density, biomass, diversity, population and community characteristics. Regarding data products, this can be maps, time-series analysis, video animations or modelled analysis. Therefore, the need for those data type and products are evaluated for the six basins on the basis of the twelve challenges.





## How your project/partners are considering and using Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs)

### What is a DOI?

- Digital Object Identifier
- Resolves to a **landing page** with
  - a **description** of the **dataset**
  - a **link to the dataset**
- After assigning a DOI the dataset needs to be
  - **Frozen**
  - **Permanently available**



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## Registering DOIs at EMODnet Bio

### Minimum requirements

- Only for **freely downloadable** datasets
- Basic **QC** to make sure the data is usable
- Metadata record in EMODnet biology catalogue - IMIS (= DOI landing page)
  - **Minimum metadata:** title, data creator, contact, citation, abstract
- Datasets that **don't have a DOI yet**



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## EurOBIS Procedure

1. EurOBIS Data and Metadata QC procedures
2. Archive the current version
3. Register the DOI in Emodnet biology metadata system (IMIS)
4. Submit dataset metadata to DataCite (through TU-Delft) → activate the DOI

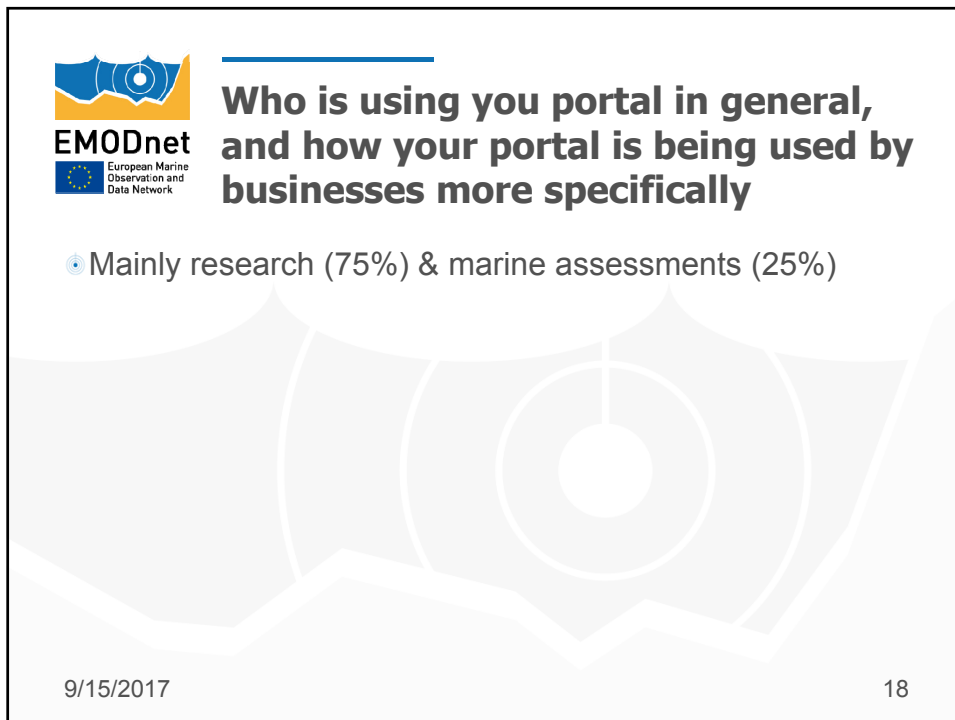
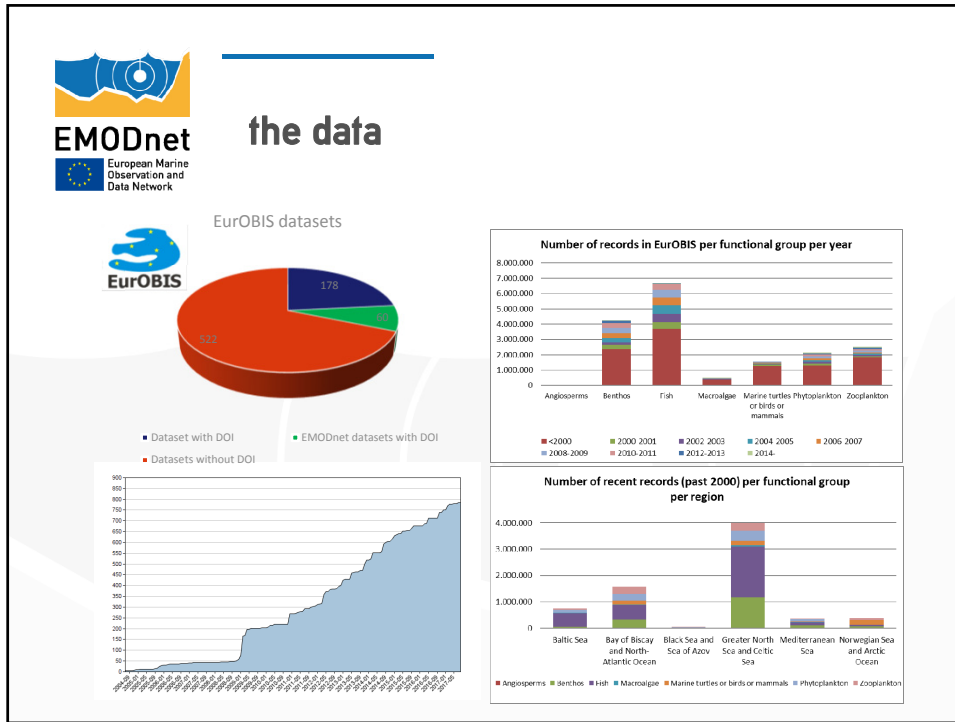
Procedure for dynamic datasets


1. **Archive snapshots** of entire dataset
2. DOIs of different snapshots resolve to **same landing page** with holds the different archived versions

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## EMODnet Biology API Description

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- Occurrence data (species observations) as Web Feature Service (WFS)
- Additional measurements, linked to the occurrence data as Web Feature Service (WFS)
- Retrieve data of the gridded abundance dataproducts as WFS/WMS
- Using the AphiaID to query by (biological) taxonomy
- Using the IMISDasID to query by metadata dataset
- Examples of EMODnet Biology Data applications written in R are available at:

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## NEWS

### Zoom in on zooplankton data


Time-series and spatial data on zooplankton can be viewed through a new online product.

Published: 16 August 2017

The ICES community can now view zooplankton abundances over the last 60 years through a new Operational Oceanographic Product (OOP). The service is available in the form of a widget, built into the interactive spatial facility map in the ICES data portal. It allows users to visualize the average abundances of many species of zooplankton over seasonal, annual, and decadal time frames across different regions. Data are presented in a gridded layer, with each rectangle in the grid able to display a graph that also plots a trend line and the pattern of seasonality. The product focuses mostly on the coastal northeast Atlantic.

The service, which hosts EMODnet biology data sourced from the Sir Alister Hardy foundation (SAHFOS), is one of the Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (OOPS) which are being developed as ICES moves towards making its ecosystem advice operational – defining and describing the all steps of the process that culminate in the final advice. OOPS products provide regular input of monitoring information on regional oceanography and hydrography. Part of this drive has included the recently published ecosystem overviews. This mechanism is part of ICES vision of linking data to outputs, meeting the public expectations for a modern

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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 14

Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

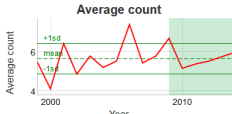




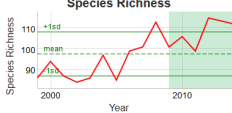



**Benthic invertivore fish**

**Average count**



**Species Richness**





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## Your views on common reference coastline across all portals

Currently, different open datasets:

- GSHHG - A Global Self-consistent, Hierarchical, High-resolution Geography Database
- EEA: Europe - onshore and offshore: ETRS89\_LAEA\_Europe
- Marineregions: GCS\_WGS\_1984

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