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Optimizing and Enhancing the Integrated Atlantic Ocean Observing System

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Budget: 21 Mio. Euros in 4 years

*Coordinator: **GEOMAR**; Partner: 62*

*Horizon 2020 call BG-8-2014: **Developing in-situ Atlantic Ocean Observations for a better management and sustainable exploitation of the maritime resources.***

*The project: **AtlantOS is a research and innovation project that proposes the integration of ocean observing activities across all disciplines for the Atlantic, considering European as well as non-European partners.***

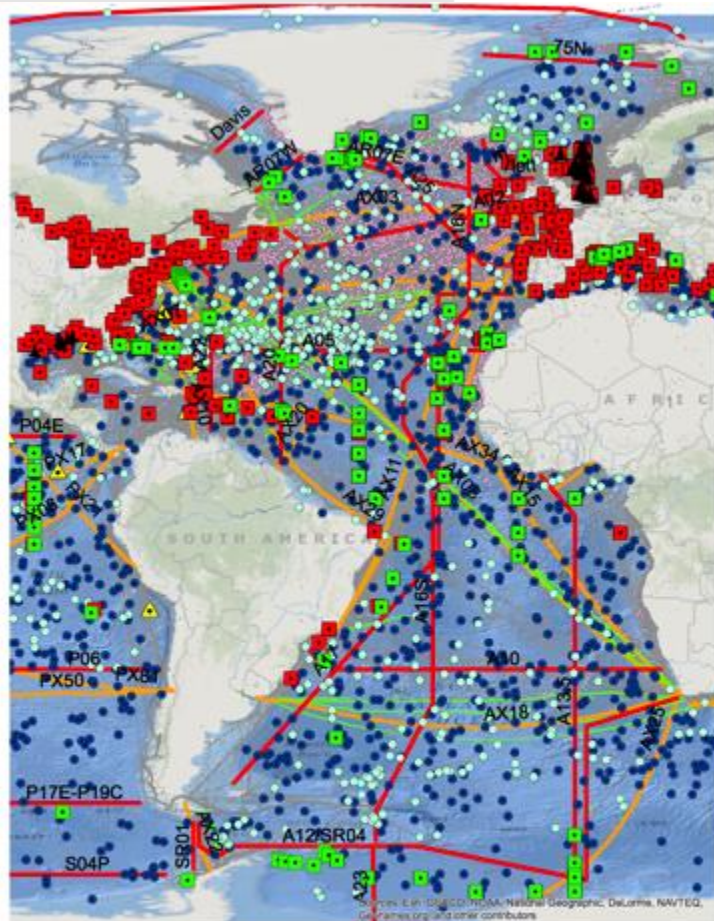
*Goal: **Integration of the so far loosely-coordinated set of existing ocean observing activities to a more sustainable, more efficient, and fit-for-purpose Integrated Atlantic Ocean Observing System.***

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Challenge:
Integration and Sustainability

Scope:

- North and South Atlantic
- Identify and fill observational gaps
- Reduce costs of in-situ ocean observation by innovation, collaboration and integration
- Interoperable exchange of data
- International partners from both sides of the Atlantic



Global Ocean Observing System
Atlantic Ocean - 2015



EU Marine Research Institutes



Universities



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM
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Marine Service Provider



Multiinstitutional Organisations



Intergovernmental
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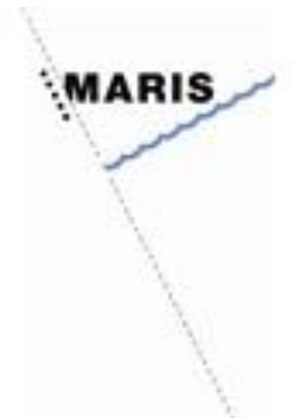
International Partners



MEOPAR



Private Sector



AtlantOS Supporters



Institut de recherche
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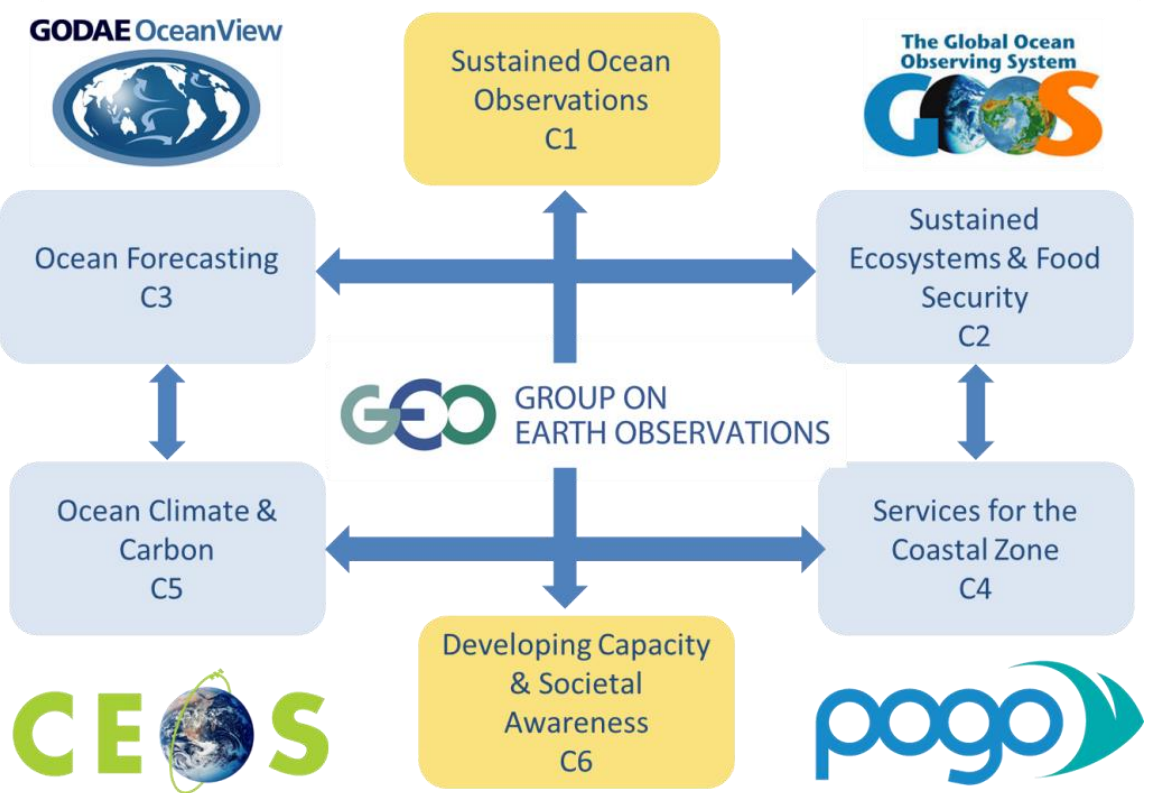
Contribution to GEO



BLUE PLANET Oceans and Society



Blue Planet Structure & Partners



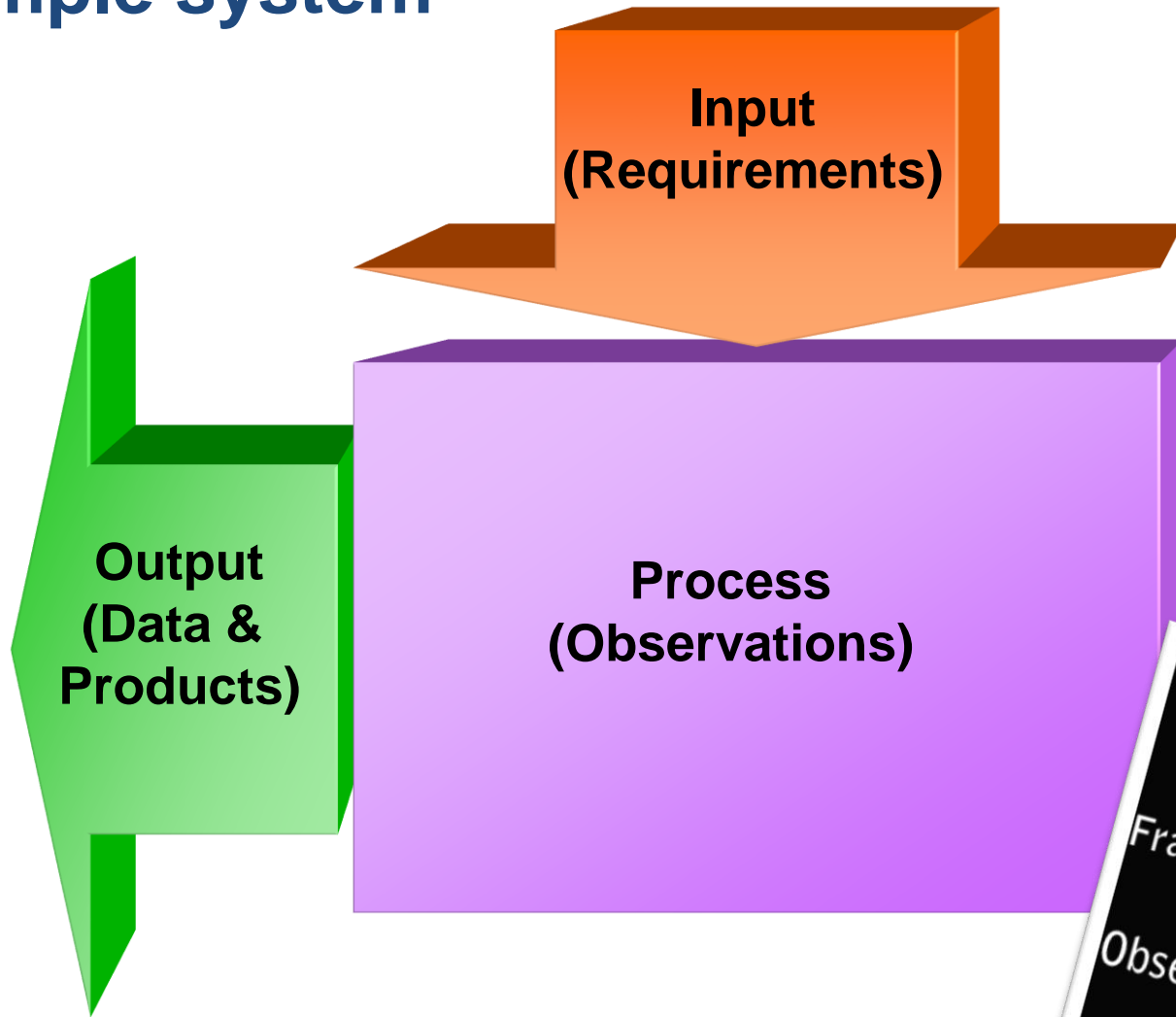
Galway Statement on Atlantic Ocean Cooperation



The European Union, the United States and Canada agreed **to join forces on Atlantic Ocean research**. The agreement focuses on aligning the ocean observation efforts of the three partners.

The goals are to **better understand the Atlantic Ocean** and to **promote the sustainable management of its resources**. The work will also study the interplay of the Atlantic Ocean with the Arctic Ocean, particularly with regards to climate change.

Framework for Ocean Observing
A simple system

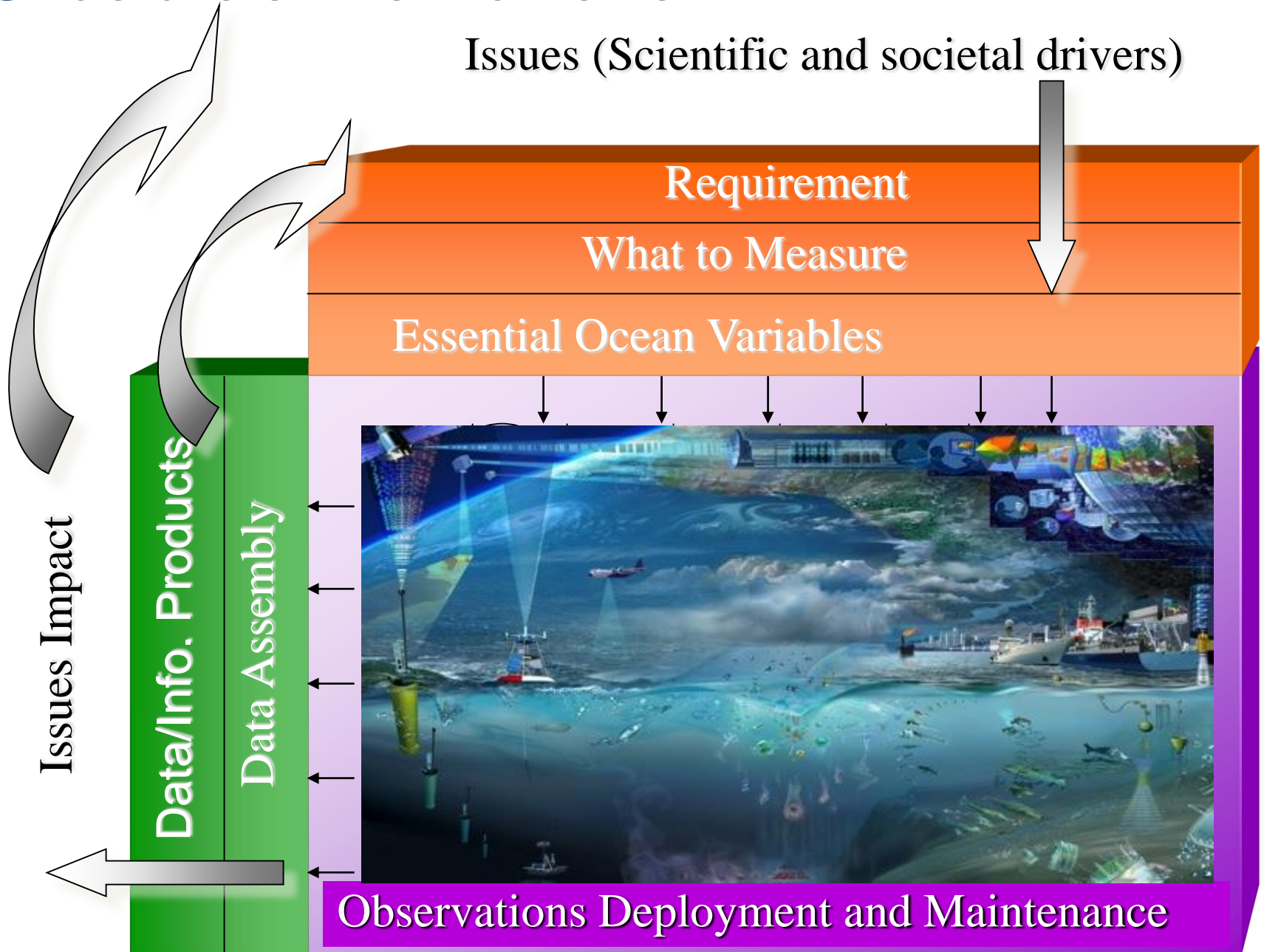


<http://www.oceanobs09.net/fool/>



Structure of the Framework

Issues (Scientific and societal drivers)



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62 Partners, 20.7 M€

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WP11 Management

1.2M€

WP9 System evaluation and sustainability

WP10 Dissemination, exploitation, communication

0,8M€

GOO GROUP ON EARTH OBSERVATIONS



Societal benefit areas



2M€

WP1 Requirements and design studies

WP8 Societal benefits from observing/information systems

3,5M€

WP7 Data flow and integration

WP2 Enhancing ship networks

WP3 Enhancing autonomous networks

WP4 Interfacing with the coast

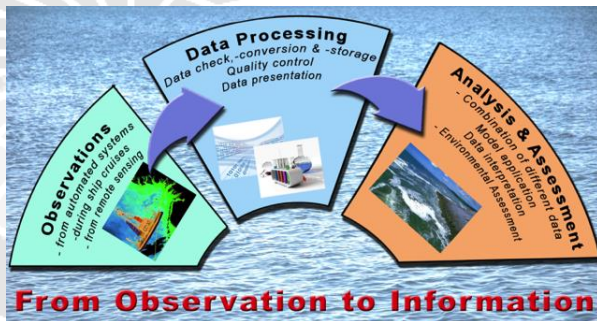
WP5 Integrated regional obs systems

12,5M€

WP6 Cross-cutting issues and emerging networks

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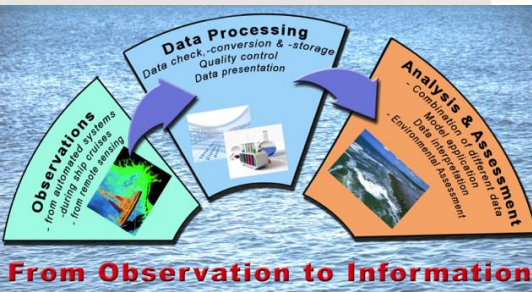
WP7: Data flow and data integration



- Task 7.1 Data Harmonization of the data management activities (382,000 €)
- Task 7.2 Data flow and integration to existing systems (818,000 €)
- Task 7.3 Operation demonstration of the integrated data system (200,000 €)
- Task 7.4 Integration in models and impact (Copernicus Marine Service and seasonal prediction) (400,000 €)
- Task 7.5 Product Development (EOV based assessments) (600,000 €)



WP7: Data flow and data integration – objectives:

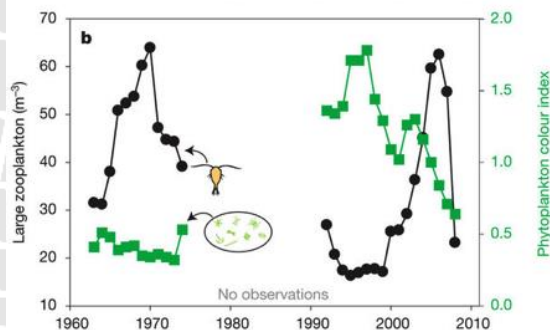
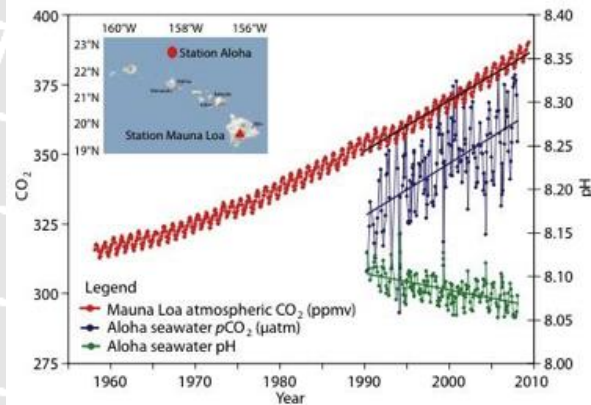
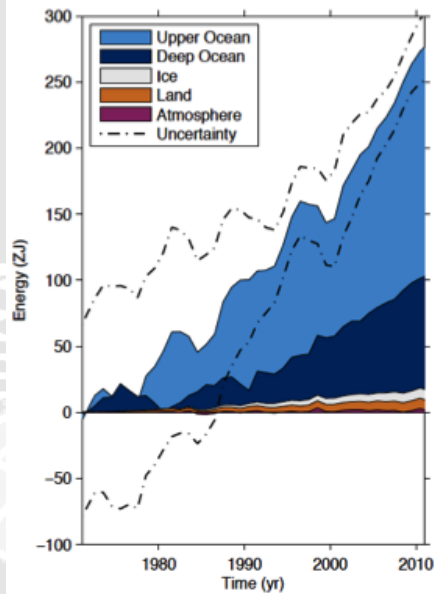


- Provide leadership for Europe in implementing GEOSS - The AtlantOs network data endpoints and related data products will be registered and by that made visible in GEOSS. Interfaces and services set up by WP7 will also **contribute conceptually to the further establishment of the GEOSS Common Infrastructure**
- **Integrate standardised in-situ key marine observations** by setting up an efficient data system integrated in the European existing data infrastructures and similar data infrastructures of other involved countries like in the US and Canada
- Improve modelling outputs and reduce cost of data collection in support of ocean-related industrial and societal activities by **streamlining and harmonising the observation data flows** from acquisition to established European and other involved data infrastructures, and by integration of the acquired data in the operational modelling systems of the Copernicus marine service, giving access to value-added products
- Contribute to make better informed decisions and documented processes within key sectors by facilitating access to AtlantOs in-situ observations and the enhanced products, generated by Copernicus models and **merging in-situ with satellite data for synthesis.**
- Improve the implementation of European maritime and environmental policies by enriching the **Copernicus Marine Service** and **EMODnet** with AtlantOs data sets, and by collaboration with EuroGOOS in coastal areas



WP8: Societal benefits from observing/information systems

- Task 8.1 Harmful Algal Blooms (199,375 €)
- Task 8.2 Coastal flooding/storm surges (150,750 €)
- Task 8.3 Ship routing hazard mapping (150,000 €)
- Task 8.4 Oil spill hazard mapping and disaster risk reduction best practices (199,375 €)
- Task 8.5 Offshore aquaculture siting (150,000 €)
- Task 8.6 Reanalyses for MSFD and ICES assessments (59,933 €)
- Task 8.7 Operational real-time and forecast modeling of North Atlantic albacore tuna populations (60,045 €)





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AtlantOS contributions to Marine Data:

Promote the use of marine data by developing and enhancing ocean information products in different societal benefit areas

Support integration and innovation of the collection of data by forming networks and establishing best practices

Support the integration, standardization and interoperability of data by connecting EU institutions with global efforts (focus on USA, Canada, S. Atlantic)

Promote the free and open availability and accessibility of data and engage in communication and promotion on data use and work with nation to grow and sustain observing activities.



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**Outcome:
Blueprint to be ready for OceanObs19**



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- AtlantOS**
- Blueprint for an integrated
Atlantic Ocean Observing System**
1. Vision for Atlantic Observing in 2030
 2. Observing networks
 3. Data flow
 4. Model based analysis and predictive capability
 5. Information products and creating user advocates
 6. New Technologies
 7. International and Private Sector Partnership
 8. User Communities and Capacity Building
 9. Sustainability of systems and institutions