### MONGOOS NETWORK

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# What is Mongoos?

(Mediterranean Operational Network for the Global Ocean Observing System)

- GOOS regional alliance for Operational Oceanography at the Med Sea.
- Established in 2012
- MONGOOS comprises the previous activities of MOON and MEDGOOS (co-leaded by Kostas)
- Objective of fostering operational oceanography in the Med Sea and promote collaboration with EuroGOOS and AfricaGOOS





# General Objectives (from the MoA)

- (a) Continuously advance the scientific understanding and technological systems upon which the operational oceanographic Services are based
- (b) Promote the visibility and recognition of the Services with governmental agencies and private companies, encourage their exploitation and integration at national, regional, European and global levels.
- (c) Enhance the usability of the Services and their usefulness for policy implementation, societal needs, blue jobs and science.
- (d) Support the planning and implementation of international initiatives involving operational oceanography and promote the participation of non-EU Mediterranean countries



### Partners:

- 34 partners (2 new members, ISPRA and Croatia Met office)
- Mainly from Europe
- No subscription cost associated
- Benefits of participation:
  - Consortiums for projects
  - Interchange of information, data and best practices
  - Increase of visibility
  - Participation in a common multicultural effort





# Operational Oceanography in the Mediterranean Sea as reflected in the MonGOOS web page

- Two main tools:
- The Show case tool:
  - Access to capacities of each institution
  - Distributed approach
- The MonGOOS data center:
  - Access to real time data
  - Centralized approach

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#### 8. About Mongoos



The Mediterranean Operational Network for the Global Ocean Observing System (MONGOOS) has been established in 2012 to further develop operational oceanography in the Mediterranean Sea. MONGOOS comprises the previous activities of <u>MOON and MEDGOOS</u>

MONGOOS is promoting partnerships and capacity building for GOOS in the Mediterranean Sea.

MONGOOS is creating a continuous working framework with <u>EuroSOOS</u> and <u>GOOS</u> Africa in order to define common roles and activities in the Mediterranean Sea, and foster collaboration with Black Sea GOOS and global ocean GOOS initiatives.

A detailed description of MONGOOS can be found on the foundational  $\underline{\mathsf{MoA}}$ 

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## The MonGOOS showcase tool

- Based on a new tool serving as a showcase of partners capabilities. At this stage:
  - Models
  - Stations
  - Satellite data
- Tool public on MonGOOS web page





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# Modeling activities

- Reasonable situation in the Mediterranean area.
- Existing models for waves, sea level, circulation, etc.
- For circulation, clear "butterfly" approach: from Copernicus to nested models
- Major limitation is, as in other seas, data to assimilate into circulation models. Mesoscale patterns not always on the "right position"
- Limited areas with really high resolution operational downscalling
- Issue on sustainability: national systems based on project funding, limited money for R&D
- Poor R&D funding and ssustainability on downstream service (oil spill, SAR, storm surge...)



### Wave Forecast systems



• Several global systems and many nested applications



### Wave Forecast systems









• Some examples



### The Med Sea forecast copernicus

- Copernicus system
- Data assimilation
- Many systems nested here (butterfly approach)

#### **ONLINE CATALOGUE**

#### AREA

All areas

Global Ocean (0)

Arctic Ocean (0)

Baltic Sea (0)

European North-West Shelf Seas (0)

Iberia-Biscay-Ireland Regional Seas (0)

Mediterranean Sea (3)

Black Sea (0)

All parameters

Ocean Temperature (3)

Ocean Salinity (3)

Ocean Currents (3)

Sea Ice (0)

Sea Level (3)

Winds (0)

Ocean Optics (0)

Ocean Chemistry (1)

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FIRST VISIT?



#### MEDITERRANEAN SEA PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST

Numerical-model, Temperature, Salinity, Currents, Sea-level, Near-real-time, Forecast, Mediterranean-sea

The physical component of the Mediterranean Forecasting System (Med-currents) is a coupled hydrodynamic-wave model implemented over the whole Mediterranean Basin. The model horizontal grid resolution is 1/16° (ca. 6-7 km) and has 72 unevenly spaced vertical levels.

The hydrodynamics are supplied by the Nucleous for European Modelling of the Ocean (NEMO) while the wave component is provided by WaveWatch-III. The model solutions are corrected by the variational assimilation (based on a 3DVAR scheme) of temperature and salinity vertical profiles and along track satellite Sea Level Anomaly observations.





#### MEDITERRANEAN SEA PHYSICS REANALYSIS (1987-2013)

#### Numerical-model, Currents, Sea-level, Temperature, Salinity, Multi-year, Mediterranean-sea

The Mediterranean Forecasting System, physical reanalysis component, is a hydrodynamic model, supplied by the Nucleous for European Modelling of the Ocean (NEMO), with a variational data assimilation scheme (OceanVAR) for temperature and salinity vertical profiles and satellite Sea Level Anomaly along track data.The model horizontal grid resolution is 1/16' (ca. 6-7 km) and the unevenly spaced vertical levels are 72.

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Providing PRODUCTS and SERVICES for all marine applications



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## **Circulation forecast systems**

Most of the systems nested into MyOcean





### Nested circulation forecast









• Some examples



## MonGOOS and in-situ data

- Role of MonGOOS:
  - Act as a focal point of regional activities, promoting the improvement of existing systems and the development of new ones (special focus in Northern Africa)
  - Promote the development of a Mediterranean data center associated with MonGOOS
  - Collaborate with EU level institutions (EuroGOOS) and projects (EMODNET Physics), services (Copernicus in-situ), institutions (e.g. UNEP-MAP and EEA)
- Situation
  - Strong (dramatic) imbalance North-South
  - Unequal distribution as a result of a lack of global planning
  - Difficulties for data interchange (not the major problem)
  - Missing a long term funding for sustainability and R&D



### Sources available on MonGOOS web page

- Links to data and institutions
- No station in Africa
- Still many existing stations missing...
- Waves: 51
- Sea level: 100
- Wind: 78
- Air Pressure: 81
- Air Temperature:80
- Water Temperature: 113
- Currents: 37
- Salinity: 50





### Sea level stations



- No station in Africa
- Still many existing stations missing...



### Real time sea level measurements









• Some examples



### Wave measurements



- No station in Africa
- Still many existing stations missing...



### Real time wave measurements



• Some examples







### Other sources of data (not in the tool)







#### Gliders





ARGO floats

Ships of opportunity





# The Mediterranean Data Center

- Collects and process data from Insitu platforms in the Mediterranean Sea
- The regional node for the Insitu component of the Copernicus Marine Core Service (MCS)
- Distributes added value (quality controlled) data in a unique format
- Built through MyOcean I&II, but it supports the Mediterranean observing component of major EU projects in Operational Oceanography (Jerico, Perseus, FixO3).





#### Data availability on 20th of October 2014 (1990-now)



198 profilers 56 active



31 Gliders 3 active



78 moorings 52 active



1295 drifters 15 active



184 XBTs 3 active



122 CTDs



146 Thermosalinographs 7 active

• 2054 Unique Platforms





### The Mediterranean Data Center at MonGOOS portal



• Data availability on May2014-May2015



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KPI-2: Data availability (latest data)



### Future strategic lines (plan 2015-2018 – under discussion)

- Increase the level of collaboration and exploitation of synergies with EuroGOOS, AfricaGOOS and Black Sea GOOS.
- Improve Northern African Countries participation in MONGOOS
- Improve collaboration with other organizations, such as UNEP-MAP, UfM, REMPEC, EEA, EMSA, IOC, WMO, JCOMM, EUMETNET, Marine Board, JPI-Ocean, CIESM, etc
- Promote the further development and integration of MONGOOS members Operational Oceanography systems.
- Increase visibility and recognition of MONGOOS and its members





### Operational oceanography galaxy Usercentered approach



### Sea Situational Awareness User-centered Services Why? For whom?



Safety of navigation



**Coastal protection** and erosion



**Search and Rescue** 



Pollution



**Climate Change** 



**Protection&management** of maring ecosystems



**Off-shore** activities



**Military activities** 



**Renewable energies** 

Fishery&acquacolture





Tourism

**Harbours** 



# Downstream services from Copernicus: shelf, coastal and port forecasting

 Adding geometry and resolution where is needed without loosing the connection with the open sea



Implied blue economy sectors : Research, private companies, engineering consultancy

# Downstream services from MyOcean: situational sea awareness services

 Situational Sea Awareness technology develops multi-channel services, customized for general public and special users



Implied blue economy sectors : IT companies, transport, tourism

### SeaConditions: the main features

#### Forecast on Google maps



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### SeaConditions: the main features

#### Interactive maps, with drag and zoom





#### **Iphone and Android: Imar**



#### Norman Atlantic accident 28 December 2014





#### Support to Italian Coast Guard

#### Bulletin for Search and Rescue (Ocean-SAR)

Date: 29/12/2014

SaR Bulletin n° 3 29/12/2014 for: "Norman Atlantic accident" Contents: SAR scenarios

The bulletin has been produced by CMCC team based on the system developed in the TESSA project (PON2007-2013 http://tessa.linksmt.it)

This bulletin is transmitted to the Italian Coast Guard (Comando Generale and Direzione Marittima Bari).

Ship Position: 40° 25' N 019° 00' E

#### Scenario 3: Life-raft, no ballast (NB), general (mean values); Object class 7





#### **SERIOUS GAMES**













### **Downstream services from MyOcean:** ship safety and routing

Ferry, fishing Boats, sailing & Yachts routing in the ocean dynamical environment: shortest time with IMO safety constraints



Implied sectors of the blue economy: Research, naval constructions, transport, tourism

### Downstream services from Copernicus MSFD Indicators

 MSFD indicators are extracted from MyOcean reanalyses/reprocessed satellite data



### **Ocean literacy and dissemination**

- Mediterranea Project





- Maritime Days with TESSA/EMODNET, EUROGOOS and COPERNICUS
- Contacts with Union of Mediterranean are undergoing

Support to free diving Italian championship 2014 Ischia, Italy 1-5 October







# Conclusions:

- MonGOOS is an active organization for coordinating OO in the Mediterranean Sea. Key role on co-ordination of modeling and observational components in the region
- Further coordination with AfricaGOOS required. We strongly need participation of Northern African countries in MonGOOS
- Model forecasting: State of the art organization and coverage in the area. The relationship with Copernicus is strong and will progressively being enforced
- Lack of data is a limitation for models (even more than in other regions). R&D needed in many topics (data assimilation, ensemble forecasting, advanced storm surge, applications, river-ocean interaction, coastal modeling...)
- In-situ data: dramatic North-South imbalance. Strong fragmentation.



### Thanks...

...for your contribution to Operational oceanography at European and Mediterranean levels...

...for your always clear and innovative thinking...

... for funding MONGOOS...

...and in top of all ...

For allowing us to be your friend



