

G20 Workshop on harmonized monitoring  
and compilation of marine plastic litter  
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Significance of harmonized monitoring and data compilation. IODE prospective.



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# Introduction

Increasing demands on ocean data and information from different communities together with fragmented and unconsolidated data management approaches leads to difficulties in conducting large-scale science, analysis, modelling and support for decision making

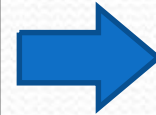
- Science is becoming increasingly collaborative
- Increasing demands for data
- Increasing ability to collect and generate data
- Increasing expectations of researchers (e.g. must think globally, providing access to data an emerging requirement for publication)



Only joint efforts can stimulate data and information access, sharing and integration aiming at delivering knowledge, products and services more effectively to global user communities

## Issues and challenges

International organizations, programmes and projects have developed data and information management programmes and activities with national, regional or global focus, often in isolation



Data management as joint effort should strengthen existing data and information systems to better manage the marine environment and serve user communities



Coordination and cooperation among Member States, partners and user communities

Impediments of data sharing, finding, accessing and using the data and related information – cultural, political and financial

- We need to overcome those and make a best use of the new technologies already in place and to be developed and/or applied
- We need a joint data management strategy that will allow actively use the data and metadata standards, communications protocols, software, and policies that will knit the parts into a fully integrated approach

## International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange (IODE)

International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange (IODE) of IOC of UNESCO was established in 1961.

Its purpose is to enhance marine research, exploitation and development, by facilitating the exchange of oceanographic data and information between participating Member States, and by meeting the needs of users for data and information products.

### Objectives:

- i) To facilitate and promote the discovery, exchange of, and access to, marine data and information including metadata, products and information in real-time, near real time and delayed mode, through the use of international standards, and in compliance with the IOC Oceanographic Data Exchange Policy for the ocean research and observation community and other stakeholders
- ii) To encourage the long term archival, preservation, documentation, management and services of all marine data, data products, and information
- iii) To develop or use existing best practices for the discovery, management, exchange of, and access to marine data and information, including international standards, quality control and appropriate information technology

# International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange (IODE)

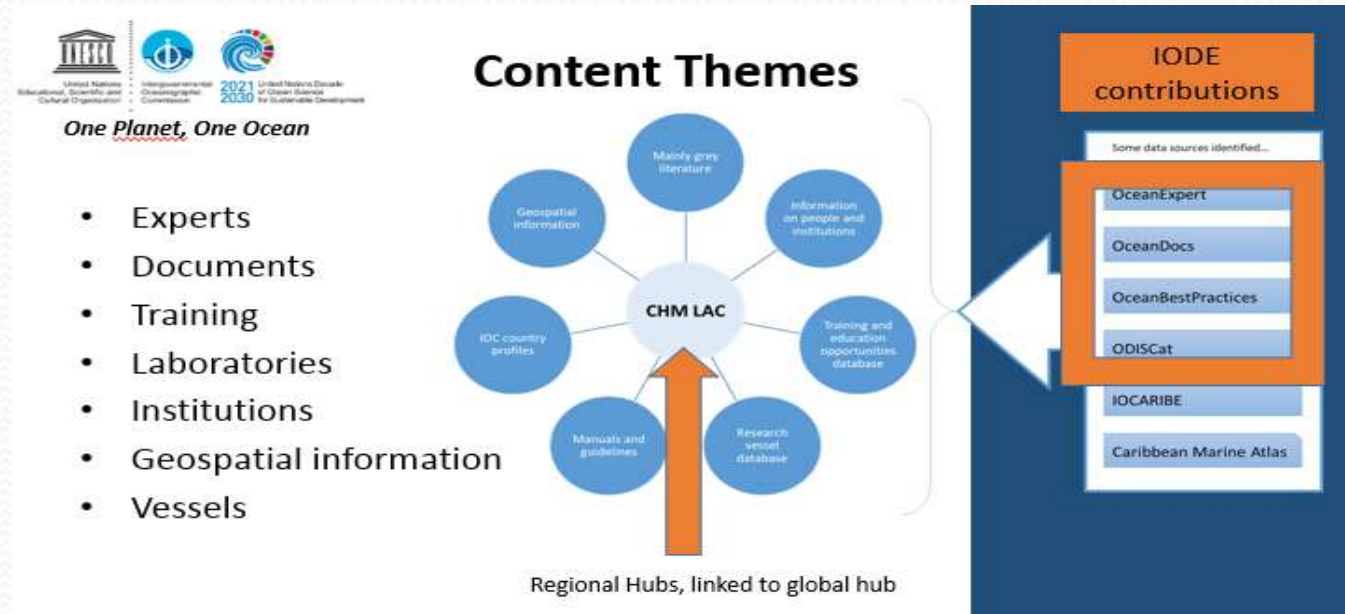
## Objectives:

- iv) To assist Member States to acquire the necessary capacity to manage marine research and observation data and information and become partners in the IODE network;
- v) To support international scientific and operational marine programmes, including the Framework for Ocean Observing for the benefit of a wide range of users

## IODE Network structure:

- 67 NODCs
- 29 Associate Data Units (ADUs)
- 9 “accredited” NODCs
- 1 “accredited” ADU
- 5 Associate Information Units (AIUs)

Total – 96 formal network members



## IOC data and information :IODE



**World Ocean Database (WOD)**  
*world's largest collection of vertical  
profile data of ocean characteristics*



**Ocean Biodiversity Information System (OBIS)**  
global open-access data and information  
clearing-house on marine biodiversity for  
science, conservation and sustainable  
development



**Ocean Data Portal (ODP)**  
*interconnected data repository portal*



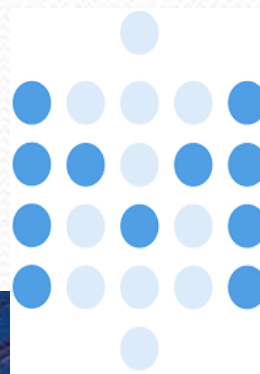
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**Ocean Best  
Practices**

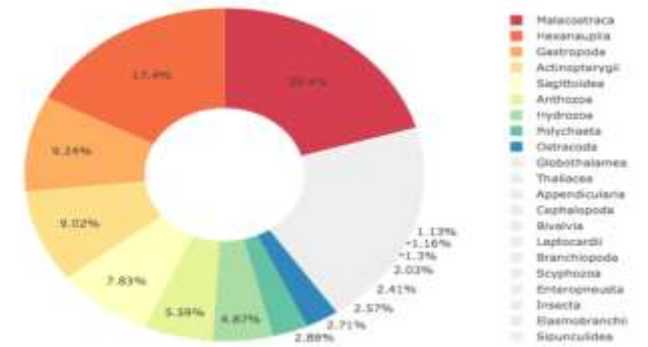


**ODISCat**

## Java-Sumatran Upwelling

### STATISTICS

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Occurrence records | 11,360      |
| > Species level    | 3,792       |
| Species            | 853         |
| Taxa               | 998         |
| Datasets           | 71          |
| Time range         | 1837 - 2018 |



### NEWEST SPECIES

| Scientific name  | Records | Since |
|--|---------|-------|
| <i>Rhincodon typus</i> Smith, 1828                               | 10      | 2018  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Elasmobranchii                           |         |       |
| <i>Paracaesia sordida</i> Abe & Shinohara, 1962                  | 1       | 2010  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Actinopterygii                           |         |       |
| <i>Paratrypauchen microcephalus</i> (Bleeker, 1860)              | 3       | 2010  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Actinopterygii                           |         |       |
| <i>Choerodon robustus</i> (Günther, 1862)                        | 2       | 2009  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Actinopterygii                           |         |       |
| <i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i> (Eschscholtz, 1829)                 | 13      | 2009  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Reptilia                                 |         |       |
| <i>Crambionella helmbirui</i> Nishikawa, Mulyadi & Ohtsuka, 2014 | 1       | 2009  |
| Phylum Cnidaria > Class Scyphozoa                                |         |       |
| <i>Globigenita glutinata</i> (Egger, 1893)                       | 25      | 2005  |
| Phylum Foraminifera > Class Globobulimina                        |         |       |
| <i>Neoglaboquadrina dulterrei</i> (d'Orbigny, 1839)              | 26      | 2005  |
| Phylum Foraminifera > Class Globobulimina                        |         |       |
| <i>Pulleniatina obliquilacuta</i> (Parker & Jones, 1862)         | 25      | 2005  |
| Phylum Foraminifera > Class Globobulimina                        |         |       |
| <i>Glabocanello inflata</i> (d'Orbigny, 1839)                    | 25      | 2005  |
| Phylum Foraminifera > Class Globobulimina                        |         |       |

### TOP TAXA

| Scientific name   | Unique species | IUCN Red List | All taxa |
|---|----------------|---------------|----------|
| <i>Cirrhitlabrus adornatus</i> Randall & Kunzmann, 1998 | 13             |               | Records  |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Actinopterygii                  |                |               |          |
| <i>Ecsenius polystictus</i> Springer & Randall, 1999    | 5              |               |          |
| Phylum Chordata > Class Actinopterygii                  |                |               |          |
| <i>Paraedwardsia lemchei</i> Carlgren, 1956             | 4              |               |          |
| Phylum Cnidaria > Class Anthozoa                        |                |               |          |
| <i>Theonella lacerata</i> Lendenfeld, 1907              | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Porifera > Class Demospongiae                    |                |               |          |
| <i>Makrokylinidrus (Adiastylis) hadatis</i> Jones, 1969 | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Arthropoda > Class Malacostraca                  |                |               |          |
| <i>Capillaster asterias</i> AH Clark, 1931              | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Echinodermata > Class Crinoidea                  |                |               |          |
| <i>Vesicomys sundaensis</i> (Knudsen, 1970)             | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Mollusca > Class Bivalvia                        |                |               |          |
| <i>Mimonecteola subchelata</i> M. Vinogradov, 1964      | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Arthropoda > Class Malacostraca                  |                |               |          |
| <i>Elpidia sundensis</i> Hansen, 1956                   | 2              |               |          |
| Phylum Echinodermata > Class Holothuroidea              |                |               |          |

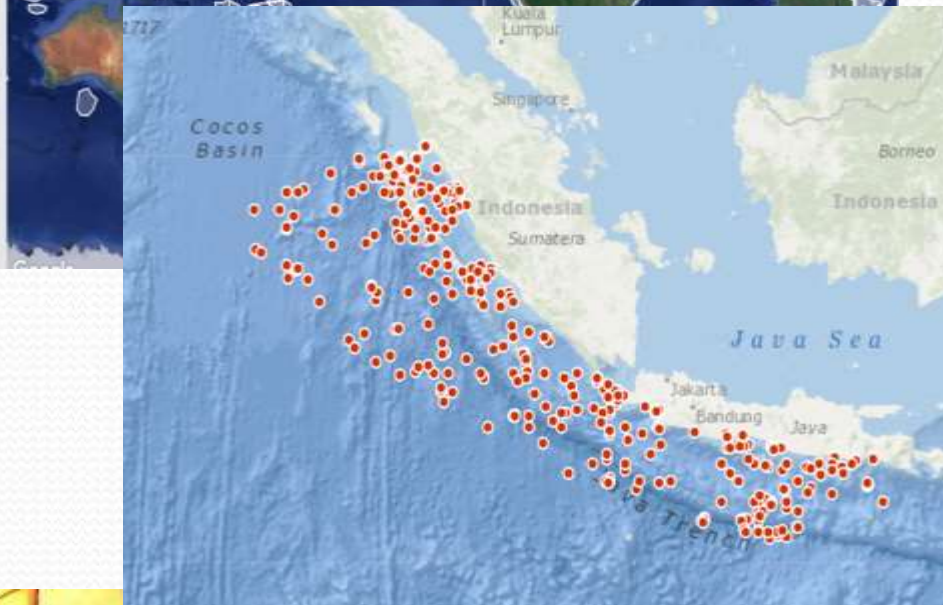
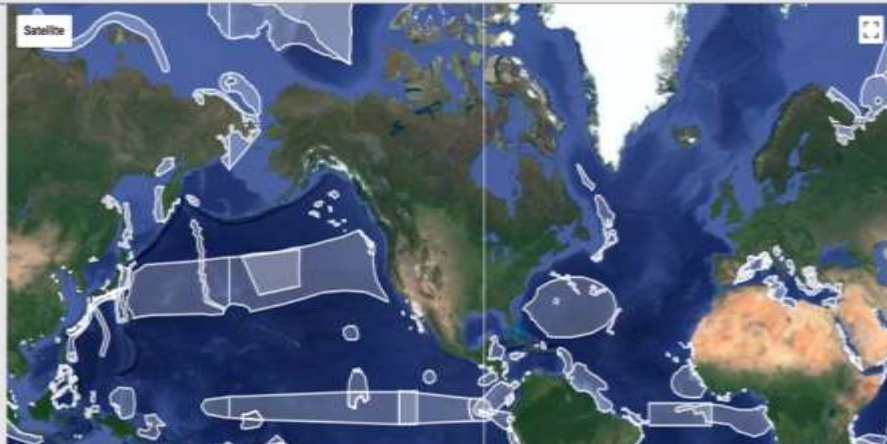
### Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas Special places in the world's oceans

- HOME
- ABOUT
- EBSAs
- MEETINGS
- RESOURCES
- COLLABORATORS

#### View Areas Meeting the EBSA Criteria

##### All Regions

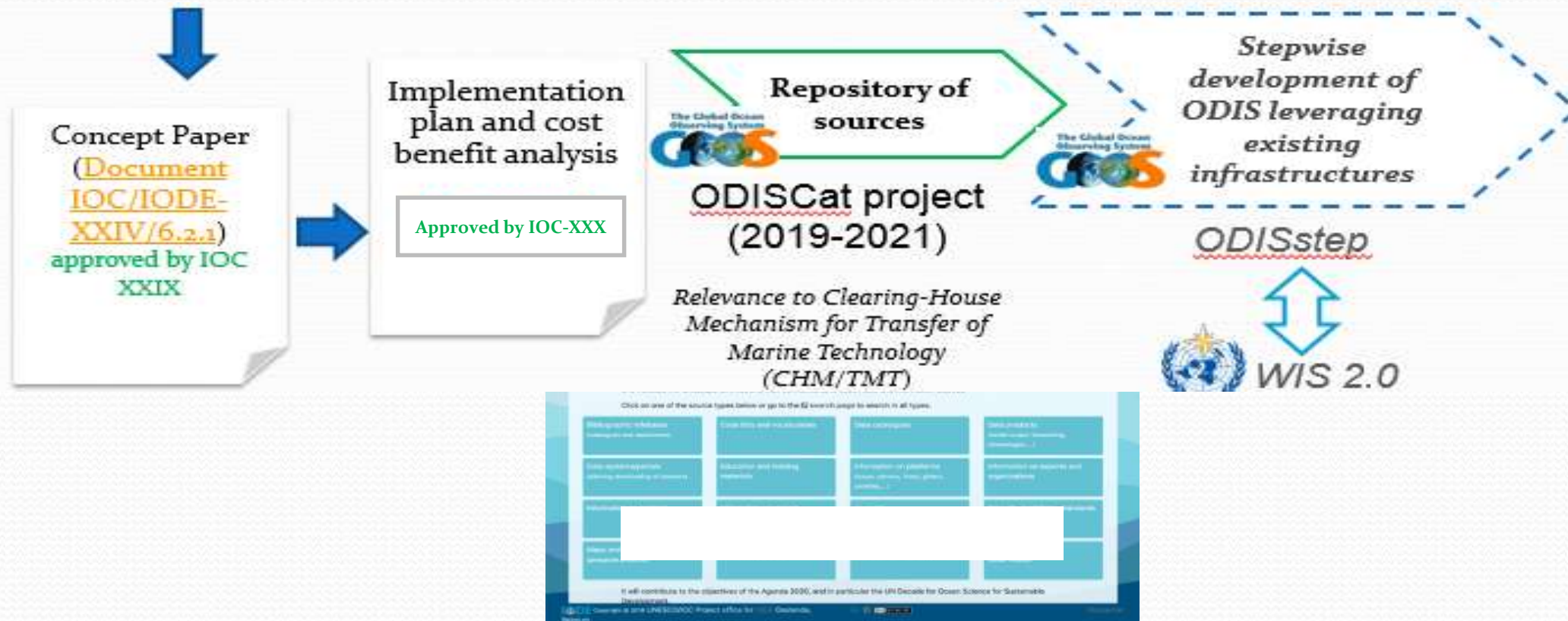
- Arctic
- East Asian Seas
- Eastern Tropical and Temperate Pacific
- Mediterranean
- North Pacific
- North-East Indian Ocean
- North-west Atlantic
- North-West Indian Ocean and Adjacent Gulf Areas
- South-Eastern Atlantic
- Southern Indian Ocean
- Western South Pacific
- Wider Caribbean and Western Mid-Atlantic



# IOC Ocean Data and Information System (ODIS)

**IOC Ocean Data and Information System (ODIS)** – an e-environment where users can discover coastal and ocean data, information and associated products or services provided by IOC Member States, projects and other partners associated with.

**Target** : Improve the discovery, access, semantic and technical interoperability of existing data and information, and to contribute to the development of a global ocean data and information system





# ODISCat: IOC catalogue of sources



Bibliographic infobases  
(catalogues and repositories)

Code lists and  
vocabularies

Data catalogues

Data products  
(model output, forecasting,  
climatologies,...)

Data systems/portals  
(allowing downloading of  
datasets)

Education and training  
materials

Information on platforms  
(buoys, sensors, floats,  
gliders, satellites,...)

Information on experts  
and organizations

Information on projects

Information on vessels

Journals  
(open source and commercial)

Manuals, guidelines,  
standards and best  
practices

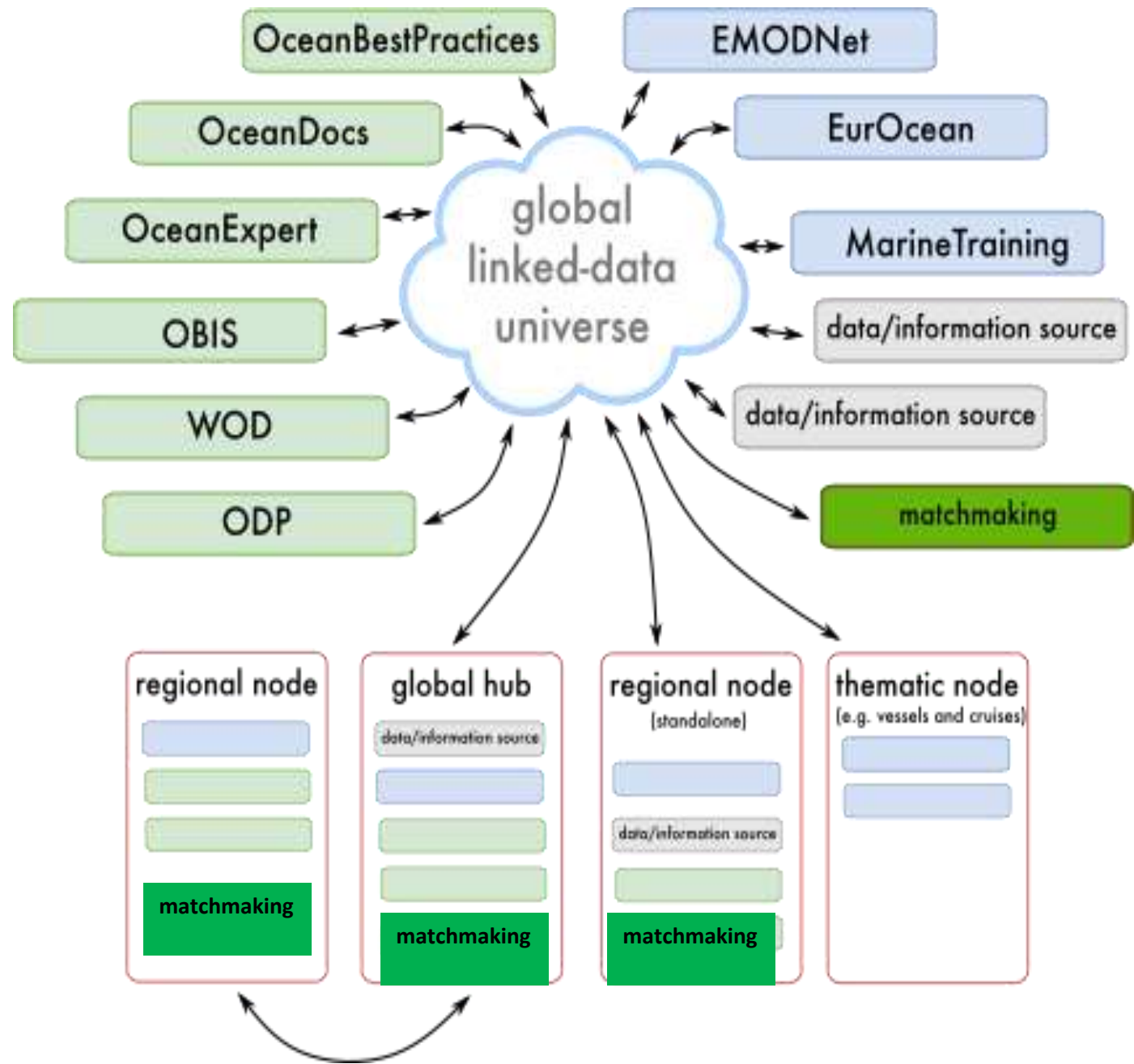
Maps and atlases  
(geospatial products)

Multimedia content

Real-time observing  
systems

Software  
(ocean related)

# IOC Ocean Infohub





# OCEAN BEST PRACTICES SYSTEM (OBPS)

The OBPS is an IOC project with an operational system currently with **913\* best practices** supporting the entire ocean community in sharing methods and developing best practices. The OBPS follows the FAIR principles of findability, accessibility, interoperability and reproducibility.

Repository/Advanced Technology



Peer Reviewed Publications



Training



User Support



Good, Better and Best

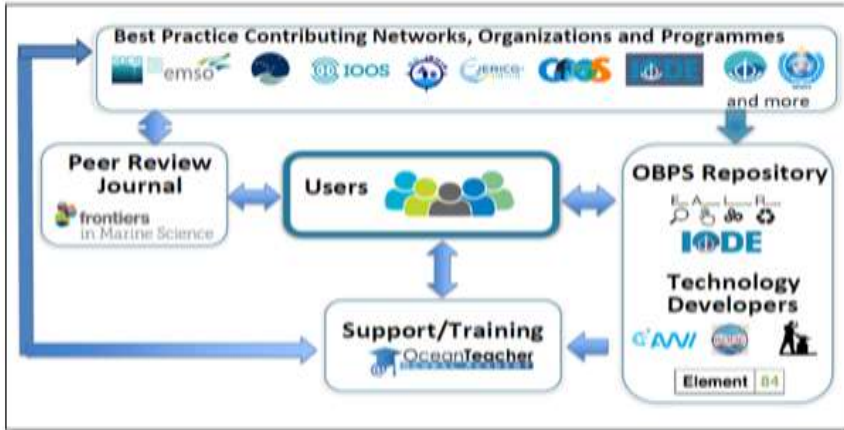
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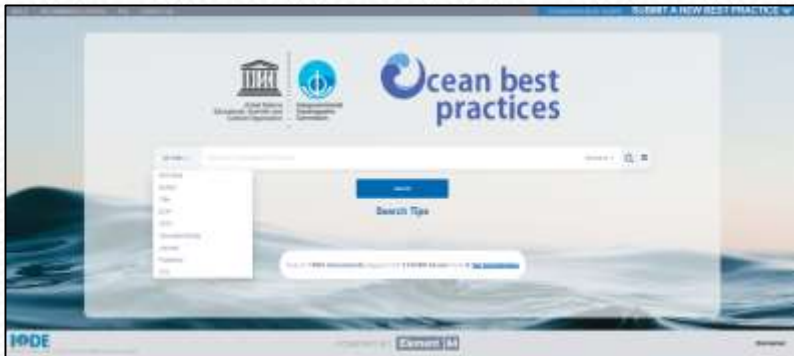
\*as of December 25 and still growing

# Ocean Best Practices System

A Resource for Ocean Sciences and Operations



**OBPS Vision: To have agreed and broadly adopted methods across ocean research, operations and applications**



Supporting the entire value chain

Wider adoption and use of ocean-related best practices leveraging community capabilities on regional and global scales

Better support for observation, research, services communities (quality and consistency of observations, interoperability of data, efficiency, transparency – data traceability and reproducibility, resource for training and capacity development, etc.)

- Not all best practice knowledge is documented
- They are scattered and can be hard to find
- Can be lost when a project ends
- Promising methods may not be shared
- Work to create a best practice is often not acknowledged

## Ocean Best Practices System — marine plastic

- Guidelines for Harmonizing Ocean Surface Microplastic Monitoring Methods:

- **[Guidelines for Harmonizing Ocean Surface Microplastic Monitoring Methods. Version 1.1.](#)**

Michida, Yutaka, Chavanich, Suchana, Chiba, Sanae, Cordova, Muhammad Reza, Cozsar Cabanas, Andrés, Glagani, Francois, Hagmann, Pascal, Hinata, Hirofumi, Isobe, Atsuhiko, Kershaw, Peter, Kozlovskii, Nikolai, Li, Daoji, Lusher, Amy L., Marti, Elisa, Mason, Sherri A., Mu, Jingli, Saito, Hiroaki, Shim, Won Joon, Syakti, Agung Dhamar, Takada, Hideshige, Thompson, Richard, Tokai, Tadashi, Uchida, Keiichi, Vasilenko, Katerina, Wang, Juying

- **[Guidelines for Harmonizing Ocean Surface Microplastic Monitoring Methods. Version 1.0. \[SUPERSEDED by <http://dx.doi.org/10.25607/OBP-867>\]](#)**

- Guidelines for gathering Microlitter datasets:

- **[Proposal for gathering and managing data sets on marine micro-litter on a European scale. \[Updated version: 07/06/2019\]](#)**

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- **[Guidelines and forms for gathering marine litter data. \[Updated version: 26/03/2019\]](#)**

# Proposed actions

- Create and maintain an approachable, robust, and extensible set of common and best practices to promote and enable global coordination across scales, sectors, and capacities. These would include methods to:
  - Promote and enable automated discoverability of data and information
  - Promote and enable access to data while respecting controls where needed
  - Promote and enable interoperability, from datasets to infrastructures, allowing rapid integration, analysis, and synthesis
  - Promote a modern and scalable data stewardship culture, embracing principles such as the 5 stars of linked open data
- Promote and enable the use of standards and shared global frameworks
- Promote and enable the participation by all stakeholders through partnership at multiple levels, including through common platforms, communities of practice/networking
- Promote and enable capacity sharing and development, as well as technology transfer, across networks to raise global capacity
- Promote and enable the delivery of tailored data and information products and services (particularly those relevant to global threats such as rapid climate change and biodiversity loss) to end users across stakeholder groups through custom interfaces, dashboards, and other user experience solutions
- **Joint activities under the IODE OBIS, OBPS and ODIS**
- **Cooperative activities under the UN Decade, SDGs**

