

RV BELGICA CRUISE 2023/01 - PROGRAM

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1. GENERAL FORM RV BELGICA 2023

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| 1. | Cruise number | 2023/01 |
| 2. | Date/time Zeebrugge ETD Zeebrugge ETA | 14/02/2023: 10h00 All scientists present at <u>08h30</u> 19/02/2023: 14h00 |
| 3. | Chief Scientists Participating institutes | Michael Fettweis Céline Taymans (2nd Chief Scientist) RBINS-OD Nature, INBO, Ugent, VLIZ |
| 4. | Geographical area DIPCLEAR necessary | Belgian part of the North Sea NO |
| 5. | Scientific personnel | 14 - 19/02/2023: 20 |
| 6. | Intervention required of: - Marine scuba team - Marine medical assistance - Pilot | NO NO NO |
| 7. | Necessary infrastructure onboard or on the quay to embark or disembark equipment. Mobilization Zeebrugge, 14/02/2023, 08h00 Demobilization Zeebrugge, 19/02/2023, 14h00 | ship's crane ship's crane |
| 8. | Logistic assistance for CTD, data acquisition (MDM 500) or other. | Start-up MDM 500 |
| 9. | Remarks: None | |

General remarks c/o RBINS-OD Nature-Measurement Services Ostend:

- i) Bed linen and towels are available on the ship.
- ii) All scientists involved in deck operations need to wear appropriate safety clothing such as safety shoes/boots, gloves etc. Only safety helmets and life vests are available on board.
- iii) Please note that scientists are invited to bring their own mobile devices. The RV Belgica mobile phone/sat phone will be only made available in exceptional circumstances such as communications related to operational aspects of the ongoing campaign and in case of an emergency.
- iv) All participants are requested to settle their account (daily meal fee: 6€ for lunch & 6€ for dinner) aboard via digital payment prior to disembarkation. Cash payments are not allowed. Drinks and snacks are free of charge, but soft drinks have a suggested limit of 3 consumptions per day per person.
- v) Following governmental and contractual regulations smoking on the ship is only allowed at the designated location, near the muster station. Smoking on other locations is prohibited, e.g. science hangar and other locations on outer decks.**
- vi) It is prohibited to bring and use any kind of illegal drugs onboard. In case of violation, criminal prosecution will be initiated and any further access to the ship will be denied.**
- vii) It is not allowed to bring and use alcoholic drinks onboard. It is also not allowed to bring food onboard or take food/drinks from board unless agreed upon by the Master and crew (cfr. special dietary requirements).**
- viii) It is no longer allowed to park on the quays of the Naval Base in Zeebrugge. Any violation will lead to a fine of 120 €. Please use the dedicated parking lots (ZZ or ZZZ (long term)) on the base. The guards can give information on the correct locations. **For long stays (> 3 days/3 nights) a document has to be filled in and be placed clearly visible on the dashboard of the car and the car keys must be handed over to the guards of the base in a closed envelope (see document sent with this program).****
- ix) Via the VSAT broadband internet connection and the WIFI available onboard you can connect to your e-mail clients and surf the internet. But please keep in mind that the bandwidth is limited and that any abuse will lead to restricted internet access.
- x) All participants embarking on RV Belgica should be in good health allowing them to perform their activities at sea without being an extra safety risk and/or possibly causing a loss of ship time. When in doubt of a participant's medical situation the Chief Scientist or person in question should contact the Coordinator RV Belgica prior to the campaign. The Coordinator RV Belgica will consult and decide with the Master RV Belgica if the person in question can embark on the RV Belgica campaign.
- xi) All scientists need to clean their cabins and the used labs at the end of the campaign. Cleaning products and material will be provided.**
- xii) Scientists are not allowed to enter non-authorized areas (see indications), incl. access to galley and provision rooms.
- xiii) If you have any questions address the Master and crew.

For approval RBINS-OD Nature: 10/02/2023

L. NAUDTS, Dr.-Advisor
Coordinator RV BELGICA

2. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

| Institute | NAME | Gender | 14-19/02/2023 |
|---|---------------------|--------|---------------|
| ODNature- BGCMonit, BG-Part & ZEROIMPACT | Michael Fettweis | M | x |
| | Céline Taymans | F | x |
| | Wim Vanhaverbeke | M | x |
| | Kevin Hindryckx | M | x |
| | Tjorven Ditillieu | M | x |
| | Nore Wagemans | F | x |
| | Nicky Jaspers | M | x |
| | Tom Scholdis | M | x |
| | Bob Rumes | M | x |
| | Alain Norro | M | x |
| | Jeroen Venderickx | M | x |
| | Aaron Kolder | M | x |
| | Silvia Paoletti | F | x |
| UGent | Auria Kallend | F | x |
| VLIZ | Jens Dujardin | M | x |
| | Estelle Bertimes | F | x |
| INBO | Nicolas Vanermen | M | x |
| | Wouter Courtens | M | x |
| Divers | Pierre Van de Steen | M | x |
| | Patrick Hendricks | M | x |
| Total participants: | | | 20 |

From 14-15/02/2023: 3 persons from Belgian Defence (2 VIPs) will embark and disembark via RHIB/patrol vessel.

3. SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES

RBINS-OD Nature - BGCMonit (MF)

The BGCMonit activity integrates various monitoring activities carried out by OD Nature within legal obligations (MONIT, MOMO) and projects (MOMO, EUNOSAT). Currently the frequency, the parameters and the position of sampling in the water column are not uniform, which is caused by the different objectives of the monitoring. This has been the case since the 1970's because measurement campaigns were mainly project driven. The aim of the monitoring is to combine the different efforts and to adapt the monitoring frequency and monitoring stations. This strategy will optimize the sampling effort for all teams involved (MUMM, SUMO, ECOCHEM, REMSEM), secure the legal obligations and validation protocols, challenge state-of-the-art scientific questions and build a comprehensive dataset linking all parameters.

The "MOMO" project is part of the general and permanent duties of monitoring and evaluation of the effects of all human activities on the marine ecosystem to which Belgium is committed following the OSPAR-convention (1992). The goal of the project is to study the cohesive sediments in the Belgian part of the North Sea 'BPNS' using numerical models as well as by carrying out of measurements. Through this, data will be provided on the transport processes which are essential in order to answer questions on the composition, origin and residence of these sediments on the BPNS, the alterations of sediment characteristics due to dredging and dumping operations, the effects of the natural variability, the impact on the marine ecosystem, the estimation of the net input of hazardous substances and the possibilities to decrease this impact as well as this in-put.

The "MONIT" project is part of the continuous surveillance and evaluation of the quality of the marine environment in the region of the Belgian Part of the North Sea (BPNS) in the framework of the national obligations toward the Joint Assessment and Monitoring Programme (JAMP) of the OSPAR commission and the Water Framework Directive (WFD) of the EC (2000/60/EC) and the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD). RBINS-OD Nature-Ecochem determines nutrients, salinity, suspended matter, dis-solved oxygen, DOC, TOC and POC, chlorophyll a and b, phaeophytine a and

b, TEP, inorganic carbon parameters (total Alkalinity, pH, Dissolved Inorganic Carbon (DIC), optical parameters and organic contaminants in the water column. Phytoplankton biomass and species composition as well as benthos species composition and biomass are also determined as part of the monitoring program. The other determinants (e.g. heavy metals and organic contaminants) in sediment and biota are determined in collaboration with ILVO Fisheries. Quality assurance and quality control during sampling and in the laboratory receive a high priority within the project, as ECOCHEM is ISO17025:2017 certified for the majority of the parameters determined. In addition, the amount of microplastics is measured by RBINS-OD Nature-MUMM in the marine environment: seawater and sediment. Within the "JMP-EUNOSAT" project, RBINS is developing a coherent satellite-based chlorophyll-a product for the Greater North Sea region requiring regional validation to quantify the suitability of the remote sensing product for eutrophication monitoring. With the launch of the next generation of optical satellites it is key to collect in situ data to validate the new satellite water quality products used in an operational monitoring service. The validation of satellite products is based on match ups between in situ and satellite measurements. With this document the satellite overpasses of three satellites are provided: Landat-8, Sentinel-2 and Sentinel-3. Guidelines for in situ measurements are also provided below.

RBINS-OD Nature/UGent/VLIZ - BG-PART (XD, MF)

BG-Part studies the mutual interactions between plankton and suspended particulate matter (SPM) along the onshore to offshore gradient on the Belgian Continental Shelf (BCS). The concentration and composition of SPM as well as the availability of nutrients and light are essential components of primary production and thus of ecosystem functioning and habitability of marine environments. Over the past decades, the North Sea has been subject to intense changes in SPM concentration and biological activities including primary production, which have caused environmental alterations with potential knock-on effects on the marine food-web. These effects may be further enhanced by rising water temperature, changing weather patterns and sea level rise. Given these changes, a thorough understanding of how plankton and SPM dynamics interact is essential to predict the habitability on the BCS and to implement future mitigation and adaptation measures through policies.

RBINS-OD Nature - ZEROIMPACT (IS)

ZEROimpact aims to develop an innovative, sustainable, and automatic method to detect marine species based on environmental DNA (eDNA). The project is a methodological study with practical applications for biodiversity monitoring, sea fishing and aquaculture, in particular; 1/ support to stock assessments of commercial fish species, 2/ more accurate calibration of spawning periods of commercial fish species and spawning periods of shellfish, 3/ detection of toxic algae and harmful parasites in relation to shellfish culture at sea, 4/ monitoring biodiversity (animals and phytoplankton) to support science and policy (achieving Good Environmental Status according to the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD, Directive 2008/56/EC) and Natura 2000 conservation objectives).

RBINS-OD Nature-WITSE (CT, DVDE)

The WITSE project is part of the long term monitoring program (WinMon.BE) studying the effects of the installation and exploitation of offshore wind farms on the marine ecosystem in the Belgian part of the North Sea. The monitoring is coordinated by OD Nature. More specifically, the WITSE project focusses on the effects of wind farms on the water column hydrodynamics, and the associated movement of suspended sediment evidenced in Rumes et al (2013) for the NORTHWESTER 2 et MERMAID wind farms. Indeed, sediment plumes have been observed around the monopile foundations via satellite imagery (Van Hellemont and Ruddick, 2014) but also measured *in situ* (Baeye and Fettweis, 2015). Cause(s) and potential consequence(s) of such phenomenon however remain to be established. Few hypothesis have been suggested (modification of the turbulence regime, fouling fauna influence), but need to be further investigated.

RBINS-OD Nature-CODEVCO & WINMON-ZZD (BR)

In the framework of the assessment of the effects of the operation of a sea farm (combined aquaculture) on small cetaceans, the RBINS uses Passive Acoustic Monitoring Devices: porpoise detectors (C-PoDs). A C-PoD consists of a hydrophone, a processor, batteries and a digital timing and logging system, and has an autonomy of up to four months (www.chelonia.co.uk). Data obtained provide an indication of the presence of harbor porpoises in the vicinity of the device, up to a distance of approximately 300 m. Data obtained from one PoD can give an indication of presence/absence of porpoises, and can be compared to data obtained from PoDs moored at other locations – as such, the presence of porpoise in and near the sea farm area can be compared to the presence of porpoises in reference areas as well as compared throughout the year.

RBINS-OD NATURE OUTFLOW (AN)

The OUTFLOW project will investigate how the presence of offshore wind farms affects the spatial redistribution of organic matter through the presence of fouling fauna. This fauna filters organic matter from the water column and

repacks it as faecal pellets that are deposited on the sea floor. OUTFLOW will develop tracers for these pellets and use the tracer to track the fate of deposited pellets in the benthic food web, mineralization and burial processes. Upscaling towards the scale of wind farms, and multiple wind farms in the North Sea will be done through ecological and oceanographic modelling and data collected during this campaign. We will cooperate with RV Simon Stevin, the VLIZ robotic centre and RV Pelagia to perform simultaneous measurements on both sides and within the offshore wind farm zone at the Belgian-Dutch border to estimate a Suspended Particulate Matter budget for the cross-border area

RBINS-OD Nature PURE-WIND and MONWIN (AN)

The PURE-WIND project studies the underwater sound emitted by the production of energy at sea. For our area, this is the operational noise of wind farms. The project will qualify the noise and its effects on marine fauna.

The program MONWIN focuses on ambient sound featuring our zone of the North Sea and will focus on the same mooring location than PURE-WIND for 2023.

INBO (NV)

Based on the results of standardized ship-based seabird counts, the Research Institute for Nature and Forest (INBO) investigates the effects of offshore wind farms as well as a future sea farm on the presence and distribution of seabirds. To this end, INBO performs surveys along a fixed monitoring route through an impact and control area, thus following a BACI set-up.

RBINS-OD Nature-KP (ICOS)

The AUMS (Autonomous Underway Measurement System) system is inspired by the success of similar systems deployed on various ships of opportunity in the framework of the European Union FerryBox project (www.ferrybox.org). The instrumentation will greatly enhance the continuous oceanographic measurements made by RV Belgica by taking advantage of the significant technological improvements since the design of the existing (salinity, temperature, fluorescence) systems (cfr. ICOS Standards). In particular, many new parameters can now be measured continuously including important ecosystem parameters such as nitrate, ammonia, silicate, dissolved oxygen and CO₂, turbidity, alkalinity and phytoplankton pigments. In addition, the new equipment allows automatic acquisition and preservation of water samples, rendering RV Belgica operations significantly more efficient by reducing onboard human resources. Data will be available in near real-time via RBINS-OD Nature's public website (<http://odnature.naturalsciences.be/belgica/en/odas>) and following quality control, from the Belgian Marine Data Centre. Since 2015, the AUMS data are also delivered to the EC ESFRI project ICOS.

4. RESEARCH AREA – SAMPLING STATIONS

4.1. RBINS-OD Nature BGCMonit, BGPart

1) Recuperation and deployment of tripod at MOW1

The tripod deployed at MOW1 on 13 December 2022 will be recuperated and replaced, see Table 1.

Table 1: Position and time of tripod recuperation and deployment

| ID | Date (local time) | Lat_wgs84 | Lon_wgs84 |
|-----------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| MOW1 | 14/02 10h30 | 51°N 21.663 | 3°E 6.897 |

Table 2: Position and time of tidal cycles and additional stations.

| ID | Date (local time) | Lat_wgs84 | Lon_wgs84 |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| MOW1 | 14/02 14h00 – 15/02 02h00 | 51°N 21.50' | 3°E 07.50' |
| W05 | 15/02 19h00 – 16/02 01h00 | 51°N 25.00' | 2°E 48.50' |
| W08 | 16/02 20h00 – 17/02 02h00 | 51°N 27.61' | 2°E 20.91' |

2) Tidal cycle measurement at MOW1, W05 and W08

Tidal cycle measurements are planned at MOW1 and half tidal cycles at W05 and at W08 (see Tables 1 to 3, and Figure 1). The cycles are also used to calibrate OBS's and LISST's sensors with in situ SPM concentration from filtration. Further additional parameters will be analysed (CSP, Lol, phytoplankton, zooplankton, DNA) from water samples in the framework of BGPart and ZEROIMPACT. Water samples will be taken with Niskin bottles every hour (MOW1 and

CODEVCO) and every 1.5 hours (W05) and every 2 hours (W08) near the surface and near the bed. A CTD-OBS-LISST profile is taken every 20 or 30 minutes with SBE09 STD-system. Vertical profiling should be carried out as slow as possible with every 2 m a break of about 30s. Every hour (1.5 hours) the SBE 09 STD-system is taken on board and the water is filtered on board for SPM, POC/PON, DOC/DON, TEP, CSP, pigments, hydrophobic chemical pollutants every 2 hours (PAHs, PCBs and at MOW1 only), DO, TA, DIC pH, nutrients. SPM will also be sampled with the centrifuge. A Van Veen sample is taken in all stations except at Codevco. For station CODEVCO, a LISST-HOLO (if available) will be used during the CTD profiling.

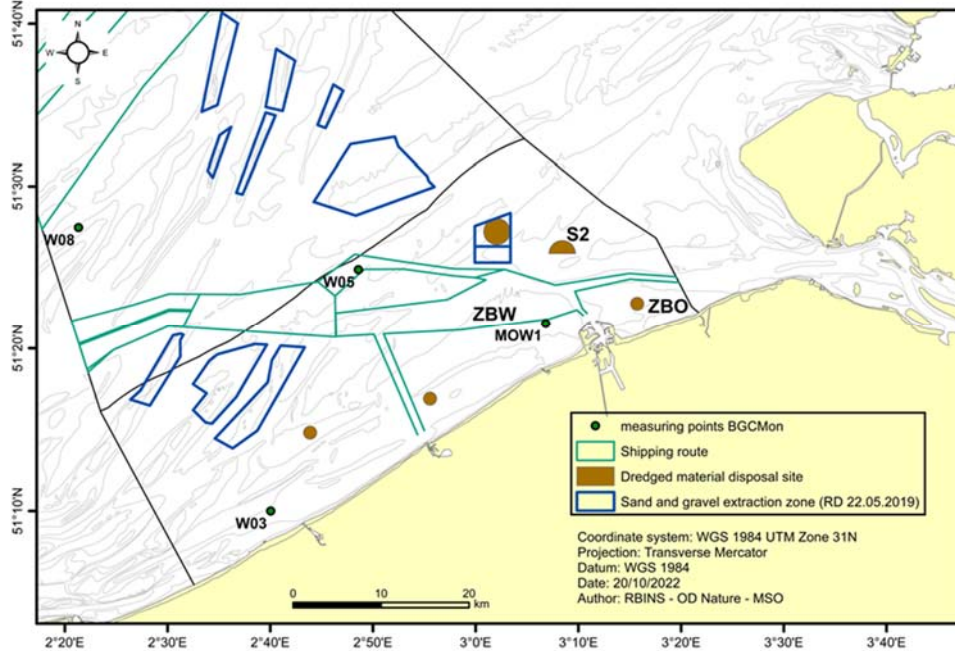


Figure 1: Sampling stations for BGCMonit, BG-Part and ZEROIMPACT

Table 3: List of monitoring stations (water sampling during tidal cycles, ½ tidal cycles or one timestamp)

| Station Name* | Longitude | Latitude | MDM-500 | In situ Instrument | Water: Niskin | Sediment: Van Veen/Reineck |
|---------------|------------|------------|---------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| MOW1 | 3°07'.500' | 51°21.500' | X | X | X | X |
| W05 | 2°48.500' | 51°25.000' | X | X | X | X |
| W08 | 2°20.910' | 51°27.610' | X | X | X | X |

3) Transect measurements between MOW1 and W05

Multibeam and ADCP measurements are planned along a transect between MOW1 and W05, see Figure 2. The transect should be sailed at low speed.

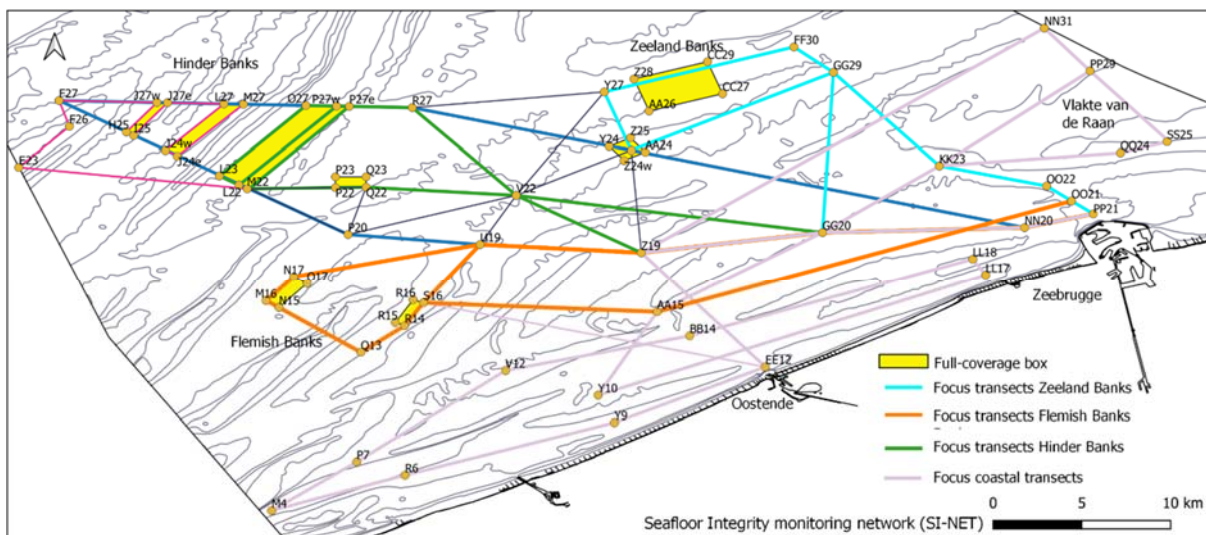


Figure 2: Transect MOW1 (NN20)-W05 (Z24e) is along the blue line (NN20: 51°N 21.50, 3°E 7.500; Z24e: 51°N 24.733, 2°E 48.171).

4.2. RBINS-OD NATURE WITSE

The monitoring strategy within the WITSE project relies mainly on lander data. Two tripods and one ADCP bottom frame will be installed on the seabed, to capture gradient and spatial patterns of turbidity, acoustic backscatter and particle size around a turbine. The region of interest is the Northwester wind farm. The site and the placement of tripods foreseen is presented in Figure 3. It should be noted that tripod locations may change based on the captain allowance in terms of safety distance from the monopile.

In order to calibrate the sensors installed on the tripod, a 8 hour cycle (to cover HW, LW, and maximum currents) of water sampling with the CTD rosette will be executed. Water samples will be taken with Niskin bottles every hour near the surface and near the bed. A CTD-OBS-LISST profile is taken every 20 or 30 minutes with SBE09 STD-system. Vertical profiling should be carried out as slow as possible with every 2 m a break of about 30s. Every hour (1.5 hours) the SBE09 STD-system is taken on board and the water is filtered on board for SPM, POC/PON, DOC/DON, TEP, pigments. The coordinate of the half tidal cycle remains to be defined, but will be in the direct vicinity, to calibrate the sensors on the tripods.

In parallel of the filtration cycles envisaged, suspended particles will be collected with the centrifuge on board. Few grams will be necessary, hence several cubic meters of water will need to be centrifuged.

Table 4: List of monitoring stations

| Station Name* | Longitude | Latitude | MDM -500 | Water: Niskin | Tripod / subsea station installation | Sediment: Van Veen |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------|---------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| NW2F04A | 2°44.964 E | 51° 39.467 N | X | | X | |
| NW2F04B | 2°44.709 E | 51° 39.358 N | X | | X | |
| NW2F04C | 2° 45.200 E | 51° 39.502 N | X | | X | |
| NW2F04D | 2° 45.011 E | 51° 39.421 N | X | X | | X |

4.3 RBINS-OD NATURE CODEVCO & WINMON-ZZD

1) Porpoise detector recovery for the CODEVCO monitoring

Recovery of six mini-tripods with porpoise detectors inside and near the CODEVCO zone (Table 5 & Figure 4-5). The mini-tripods will be recovered by a combination of RHIB (activate acoustic release, recover buoy, untie rope from buoy and pass on to the main vessel). Permission of CODEVCO operator is needed.

Conditions for recovery: daylight, wave height less than 1.5m, permit from the operator. Time needed for recovery ~4h for the six moorings. We need 2 scientists in the RHIB for the recovery. Use of deck hose to clean the tripods post recovery.

Table 5: Mooring positions Mini-tripods with porpoise detector

| ID | Lat_WGS84 | Long_WGS84 |
|--------------|------------|-------------|
| CODEVCO_POD1 | 2° 40,089' | 51° 10,980' |
| CODEVCO_POD2 | 2° 38,052' | 51° 10,509' |
| CODEVCO_POD3 | 2° 38,198' | 51° 10,181' |
| CODEVCO_POD4 | 2° 37,289' | 51° 9,967' |
| CODEVCO_POD5 | 2° 38,435' | 51° 9,700' |
| CODEVCO_POD6 | 2° 38,261' | 51° 10,701' |

4.4. RBINS-OD Nature PURE-WIND and MONWIN

A small tripod will be recovered in position 51° 40,58N// 002° 48,66 E and a similar tripod deployed in the same position, see Figure 4.

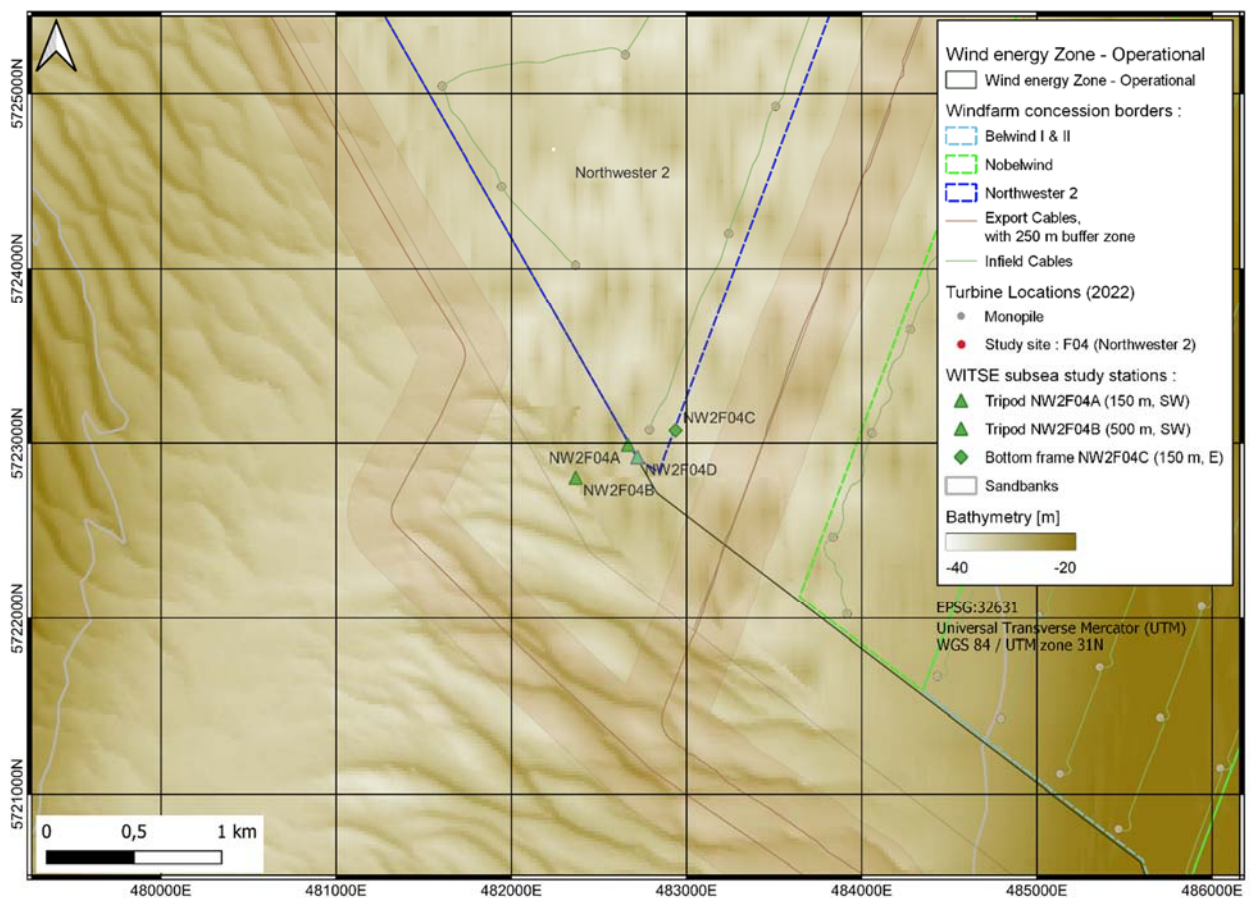
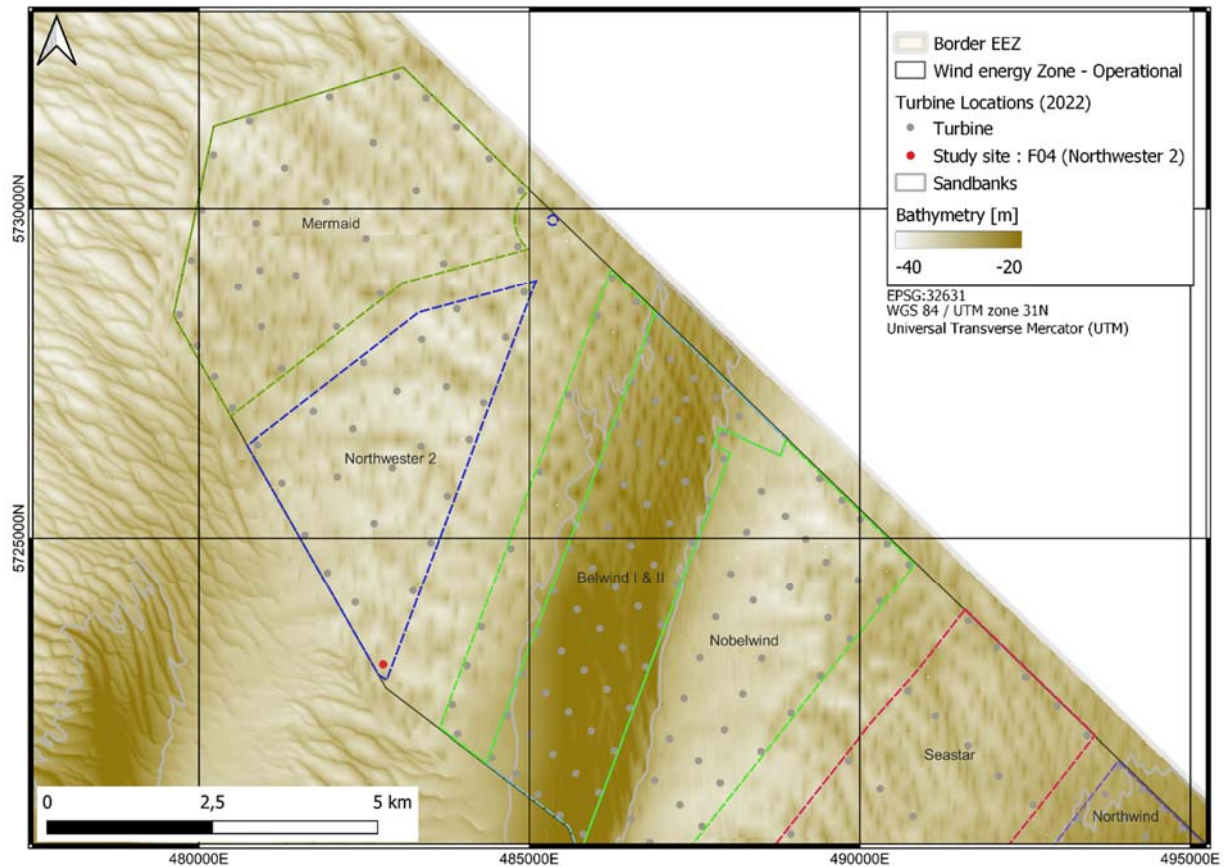


Figure 3: Study site selected. Above: pile (red) around which deployments are planned in the Northwest 2 wind farm. Below: detail with positions of landers (reference : Bathymetry base map from Flanders Hydrography; geographical items from the MSFD).



Figure 4: Mini-tripod with porpoise detector

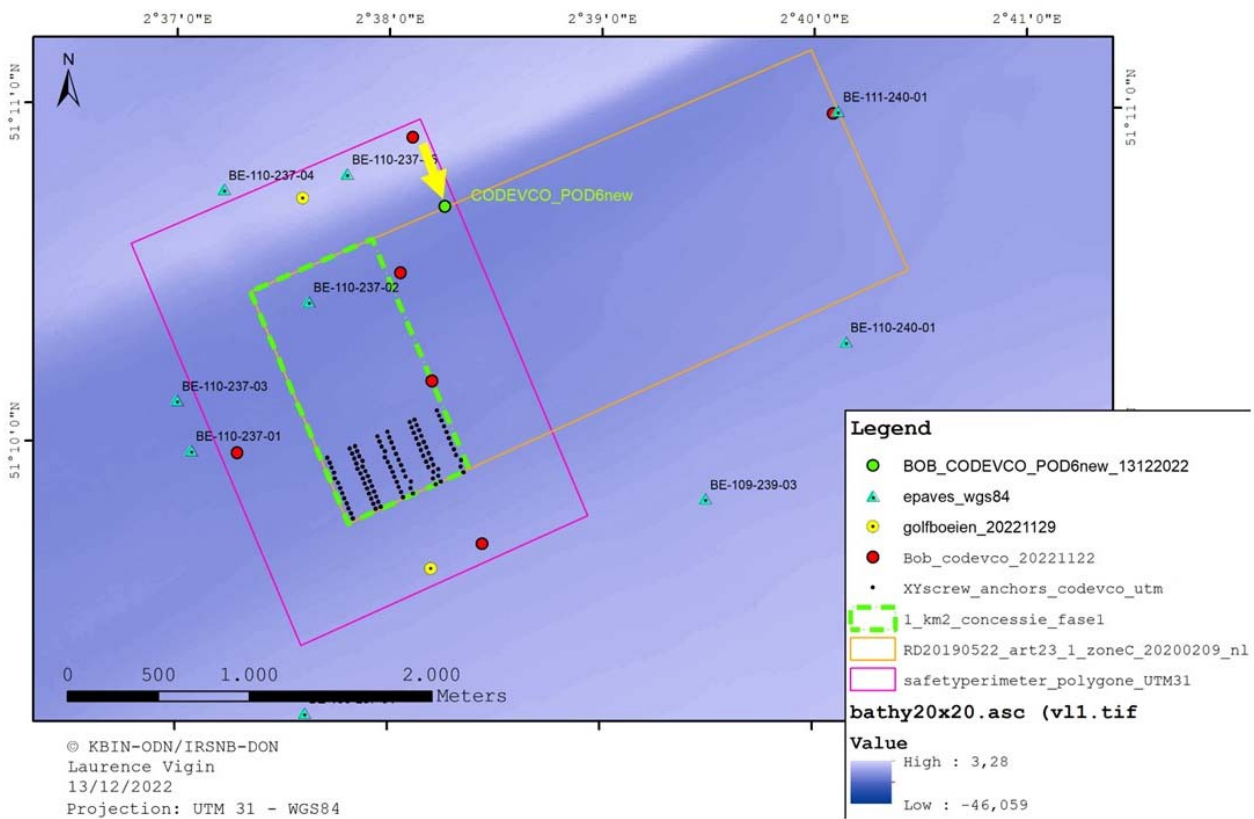


Figure 5: Mooring positions of the Mini-tripods with porpoise and fish detectors (red) showing the adapted location of CODEVCO_POD6 (green).

4.5. RBINS-OD Nature OUTFLOW

Diving operations will be performed at pile D5 in C-Power, see Table 6.

Table 6: Position of the sites where the scientific diving takes place – targeted turbines

| ID | Lat_WGS84 | Long_WGS84 |
|------------|--------------|--------------|
| C-Power D5 | 51° N 32.88' | 02° E 55.77' |

4.6 INBO

Figure 6 displays the two seabird monitoring routes across the Belgian offshore wind farm concession zone. These should be sailed at a speed of about 10 knots and are each 74 nautical miles in length. Seabird counting is possible from half an hour after sunrise until half an hour before sunset. The waypoint coordinates are listed in Tables 7 & 8.

Figure 7 displays the CODEVCO monitoring route across and near the project area of the future sea farm (zone C) in front of Nieuwpoort. This route is 12 nautical miles in length and should be sailed at a speed of 10 knots, while point counts are performed during 20 minutes. The direction of the monitoring route is of no importance, and can be chosen depending on prior activities and efficiency. All coordinates are listed in Table 9.

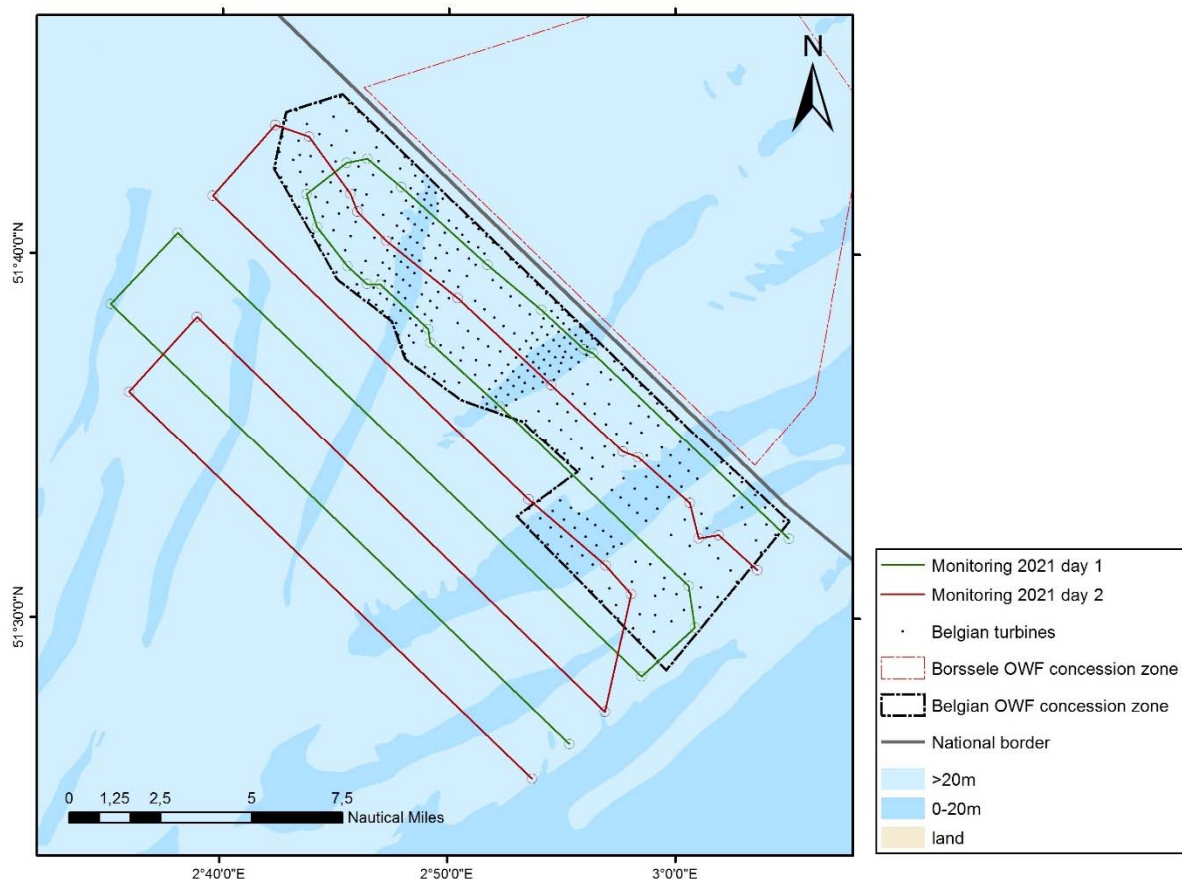


Figure 6: WINMON monitoring track.

Table 7: Waypoint coordinates of the WINMON seabird monitoring track day 1.

| WP | Latitude | Longitude |
|----|-------------|------------|
| 1 | 51° 32.195' | 3° 5.001' |
| 2 | 51° 37.311' | 2° 56.372' |
| 3 | 51° 37.415' | 2° 55.977' |
| 4 | 51° 38.491' | 2° 54.09' |
| 5 | 51° 39.729' | 2° 51.718' |
| 6 | 51° 41.851' | 2° 47.915' |
| 7 | 51° 42.623' | 2° 46.414' |
| 8 | 51° 42.511' | 2° 45.505' |
| 9 | 51° 41.654' | 2° 43.745' |
| 10 | 51° 40.755' | 2° 44.204' |
| 11 | 51° 39.686' | 2° 45.556' |
| 12 | 51° 39.189' | 2° 46.412' |
| 13 | 51° 39.18' | 2° 46.998' |
| 14 | 51° 37.965' | 2° 49.11' |
| 15 | 51° 37.591' | 2° 49.212' |
| 16 | 51° 35.845' | 2° 52.286' |
| 17 | 51° 30.898' | 3° 0.575' |
| 18 | 51° 29.766' | 3° 0.865' |
| 19 | 51° 28.427' | 2° 58.525' |
| 20 | 51° 40.58' | 2° 38.065' |
| 21 | 51° 38.616' | 2° 35.125' |
| 22 | 51° 26.576' | 2° 55.363' |

Table 8: Waypoint coordinates of the WINMON seabird monitoring track day 2.

| WP | Latitude | Longitude |
|----|-------------|------------|
| 1 | 51° 31.331' | 3° 3.596' |
| 2 | 51° 32.294' | 3° 1.911' |
| 3 | 51° 32.204' | 3° 1.018' |
| 4 | 51° 33.175' | 3° 0.632' |
| 5 | 51° 34.435' | 2° 58.358' |
| 6 | 51° 34.587' | 2° 57.68' |
| 7 | 51° 36.427' | 2° 54.527' |
| 8 | 51° 38.807' | 2° 50.425' |
| 9 | 51° 40.384' | 2° 47.246' |
| 10 | 51° 41.181' | 2° 45.987' |
| 11 | 51° 41.669' | 2° 45.664' |
| 12 | 51° 43.228' | 2° 43.835' |
| 13 | 51° 43.546' | 2° 42.344' |
| 14 | 51° 41.592' | 2° 39.607' |
| 15 | 51° 33.274' | 2° 53.556' |
| 16 | 51° 31.468' | 2° 56.943' |
| 17 | 51° 30.673' | 2° 58.052' |
| 18 | 51° 27.457' | 2° 56.915' |
| 19 | 51° 38.277' | 2° 38.923' |
| 20 | 51° 36.212' | 2° 35.959' |
| 21 | 51° 25.628' | 2° 53.709' |

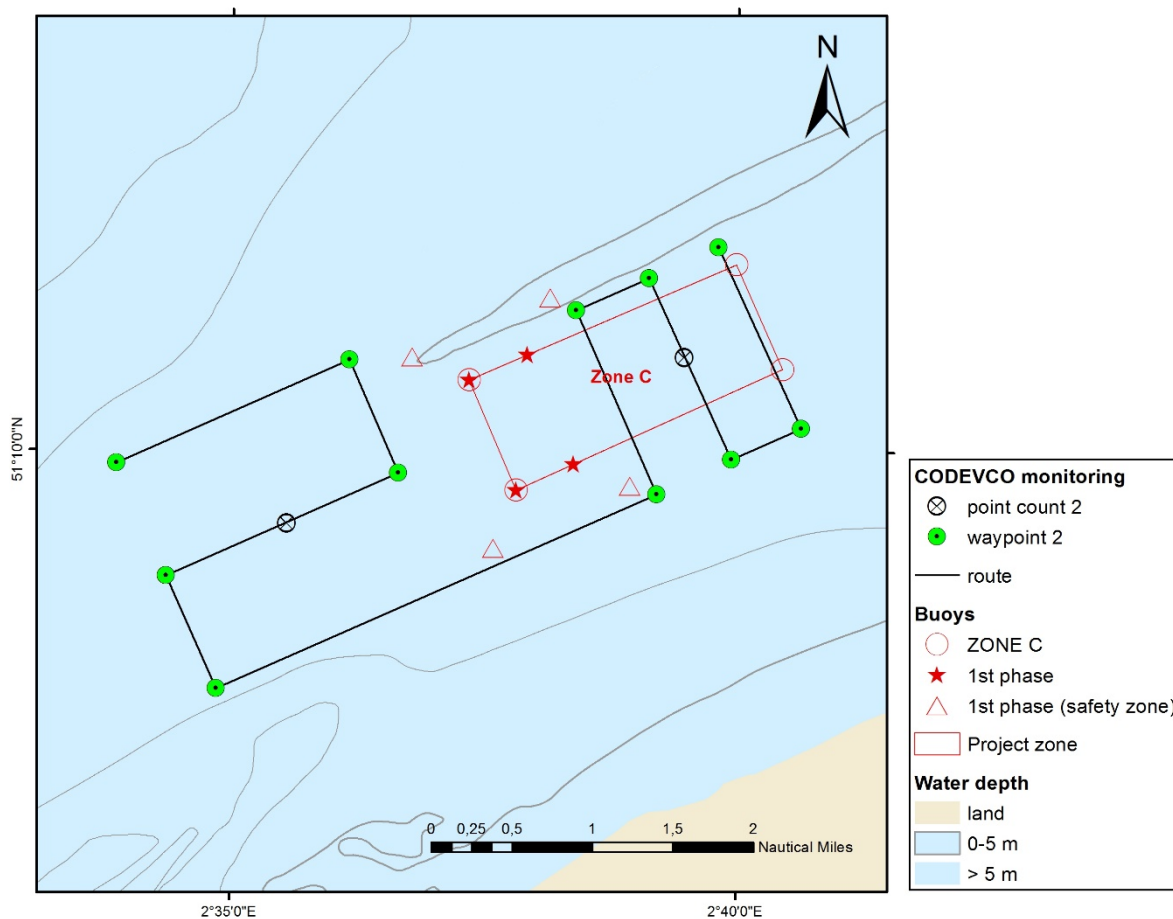


Figure 7: CODEVCO monitoring track.

Table 9: Coordinates for the CODEVCO seabird monitoring.

| Type | ID | Latitude | Longitude |
|-------------|----|-------------|------------|
| Point count | 1 | 51° 9.549' | 2° 35.551' |
| Point count | 2 | 51° 10.589' | 2° 39.471' |
| Waypoint | 1 | 51° 9.919' | 2° 33.864' |
| Waypoint | 2 | 51° 10.567' | 2° 36.165' |
| Waypoint | 3 | 51° 9.864' | 2° 36.651' |
| Waypoint | 4 | 51° 9.221' | 2° 34.362' |
| Waypoint | 5 | 51° 8.521' | 2° 34.86' |
| Waypoint | 6 | 51° 9.739' | 2° 39.205' |
| Waypoint | 7 | 51° 10.879' | 2° 38.401' |
| Waypoint | 8 | 51° 11.08' | 2° 39.12' |
| Waypoint | 9 | 51° 9.955' | 2° 39.941' |
| Waypoint | 10 | 51° 10.15' | 2° 40.632' |
| Waypoint | 11 | 51° 11.275' | 2° 39.806' |

5. OPERATIONAL COURSE

All times are given in local time. All coordinates in WGS84. HW and LW are given for Zeebrugge. Sunrise and sunset are at 8h00 and 18h00 respectively. Tentative program; priority or observations may change according to tidal and weather conditions and/or technical constraints.

Tuesday 14th of February

HW 07h07 & 19h47; LW 00h48 & 13h32

| | |
|-------|--|
| 08h00 | Embarkation of equipment |
| 10h00 | Departure from Zeebrugge |
| 10h30 | Replacement of tripod at MOW1 |
| 13h00 | Arrival VIPs |
| 14h00 | Start of tidal cycle measurement at MOW1 |

Wednesday 15th of February

HW 08h19 & 21h09; LW 02h01 & 15h02

| | |
|-------------|--|
| 02h00 | End of tidal cycle measurement at MOW1 |
| 02h00-06h00 | ADCP transit along MOW1-W05 and further to WINMON area |
| 08h00-16h00 | WINMON bird monitoring |
| 13h00 | Departure VIPs |
| 16h00-18h00 | Transit to W05 |
| 18h00 | Start of ½ tidal cycle at W05 |

Thursday 16th of February

HW 09h46 & 22h34; LW 03h46 & 16h23

| | |
|-------------|---|
| 00h00 | End of cycle at W05 |
| 08h00-17h00 | WINMON bird monitoring |
| 08h00-17h00 | Recuperation and deployment of MONWIN and PURE-WIND tripod during bird monitoring, when in vicinity |
| 17h00-20h00 | Transit to W08 |
| 20h00 | Start of ½ tidal cycle at W08 |

Friday 17th of February

HW 11h07 & 23h43; LW 05h03 & 17h30

| | |
|-------------|---|
| 02h00 | End of cycle at W08 |
| 04h00 | Transit towards Northwester 2, monopile F04 |
| 07h00 | DP system positioning / Preparation tripod on deck (1h before sunrise) |
| 07h30 | Deployment of bottom frame at location NW2F04C (125 m from F04, East : 2° 45.180 E; 51° 39.504 N) |
| 08h00 | Deployment of tripod at location NW2F04A (150 m from F04, South west : 2°44.979 E; 51° 39.469 N) |
| 09h00 | Deployment of tripod at location NW2F04B (500 m from F04, South west : 2°44.709 E; 51° 39.358 N) |
| 10h00-18h00 | Tidal cycle (covers HW & LW), Van Veen sample during tidal cycle |
| 18h00 | Transit towards CODEVCO area along MOW1-W05 line |

Saturday 18th of February

HW 12h08; LW 06h05 & 18h27

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| 08h00-12h00 | Mini-tripod recovery in CODEVCO area |
| 12h00-17h00 | Bird monitoring in CODEVCO area |

Sunday 19th of February

HW 00h35 & 12h57; LW 06h56 & 19h14

10h57-12h00 Diving operation at D5 in C-Power.

14h00 Arrival in Zeebrugge

- End of the campaign -

6. OCCUPATION OF SCIENTIFIC SPACES

| | |
|--|------------------------------|
| Deck 9: Crow's Nest | INBO |
| Deck7: Wheelhouse – Chief Scientist Desk | |
| Deck 6: Operational Center | RBINS-OD NATURE |
| Deck 6: Scientific Lab | |
| Deck 6: Forward Deck | |
| Deck 4: Lab 1 | VLIZ |
| Deck 4: Lab 2 | |
| Deck 4: CTD Hangar | RBINS-OD NATURE |
| Deck 4: Wet Lab | RBINS-OD NATURE, UGENT |
| Deck 4: Science Hangar | RBINS-OD NATURE, UGENT, VLIZ |
| Deck 4: Diver's Store | RBINS-OD Nature |
| Deck 4: Starboard Deck | RBINS-OD Nature |
| Deck 4: Aft Deck | RBINS-OD Nature |
| Deck 4: Seismic Room | |
| Deck 4: Aerosol Lab | |
| Deck 3: Clean Lab 3 | |
| Deck 3: Wet Fish Lab | |
| Deck 3: Dry Fish Lab | |
| Deck 3: Freezer Room -20°C | |
| Deck 3: Cool Room +4°C | |
| Deck 3: Scientific Store | |
| Deck 2 & 1: AUMS Lab | RBINS-OD Nature |

7. USE OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND INSTRUMENTATION

Equipment RV BELGICA:

24 bottle rosette with SBE9plus CTD with DO sensor, turbidity sensor and altimeter

RDI Workhorse Mariner 600 kHz ADCP on drop keel

GEA Westfalia seawater centrifuge

Sea-Bird SBE21 thermosalinograph

AUMS (Autonomous Underway Measurement System)

Milli-Q wet lab

Diving compressor

RHIB

Equipment RBINS-OD Nature:

Van Veen grap sampler with receptable

Instrumented tripods

ADCP bottom mount

LISST-200X particle size analyzer

8. SAMPLING - ON BOARD ANALYSIS

RBINS-OD Nature-BGCMonit & BGPart

On board filtration for SPM, POC, PON, TEP, pigments, TA-DIC, DOC and nutrients

On board filtration for CSP, Lol

On-board analysis of phytoplankton by flowcytometry

9. AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION: continuous measurements

| Instrument | Telegram | MDM ID | Parameter | Acquisition rate MDM500 | |
|---|----------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| | | | | standard 10 sec. | extra 1 sec. |
| Seapath 380-R3 GNSS receiver with MGC motion sensor | ZDA | 4701001 | Time (HHMMSS.SSS) | x | |
| | ZDA | 4701002 | Time zone (HH) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702001 | Time (HHMMSS.SSS) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702002 | Latitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702003 | Latitude (N/S) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702004 | Longitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702005 | Longitude (E/W) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702006 | Quality (#) | x | |
| | GGA | 4702007 | Number of Satellites (#) | x | |
| | VTG | 4704001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VTG | 4704002 | Magnetic heading (deg) | x | |
| | VTG | 4704003 | Ground speed (kn) | x | |
| | HDT | 4705001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | SXN23 | 4707001 | Pitch (deg) | x | |
| | SXN23 | 4707002 | Roll (deg) | x | |
| SXN23 | 4707003 | Heading (deg) | x | | |
| SXN23 | 4707004 | Heave (m) | x | | |
| Saab R5 GNSS system #1 | GGA | 4204001 | Time (HHMMSS.SSS) | x | |
| | GGA | 4204002 | Latitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4204003 | Latitude (N/S) | x | |
| | GGA | 4204004 | Longitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4204005 | Longitude (E/W) | x | |
| | GGA | 4204006 | Quality (#) | x | |
| | VTG | 4205001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VTG | 4205002 | Magnetic heading (deg) | x | |
| Saab R5 GNSS system #2 | GGA | 4304001 | Time (HHMMSS.SSS) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304002 | Latitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304003 | Latitude (N/S) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304004 | Longitude (D.D) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304005 | Longitude (E/W) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304006 | Quality (#) | x | |
| | GGA | 4304007 | Number of Satellites (#) | x | |
| | VTG | 4305001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VTG | 4305002 | Magnetic heading (deg) | x | |
| | VTG | 4305003 | Ground speed (kn) | x | |
| Navigat 200 gyro #1 | HDT | 3601001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | ROT | 3602001 | Rate of turn (deg/s) | x | |
| Navigat 200 gyro #2 | HDT | 5301001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | ROT | 5302001 | Rate of turn (deg/min) | x | |
| IMU-108 motion sensor #1 | EM3000 | 6701001 | Pitch (deg) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6701002 | Roll (deg) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6701003 | Heave (m) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6701004 | Heading (deg) | x | |

| Instrument | Telegram | MDM ID | Parameter | Acquisition rate | |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------|
| | | | | MDM500 | |
| | | | | standard | extra |
| | | | | 10 sec. | 1 sec. |
| | EM3000 | 6701005 | Status | x | |
| IMU-108 motion sensor #2 | EM3000 | 6601001 | Pitch (deg) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6601002 | Roll (deg) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6601003 | Heave (m) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6601004 | Heading (deg) | x | |
| | EM3000 | 6601005 | Status | x | |
| Skipper EML224 doppler log | VHW | 3502001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VHW | 3502002 | Magnetic heading (deg) | x | |
| | VHW | 3502003 | Speed (kn) | x | |
| | VHW | 3502004 | Speed (km/h) | x | |
| | VBW | 3503001 | Longitudinal water speed (kn) | x | |
| | VBW | 3503002 | Transversal water speed (kn) | x | |
| | VBW | 3503003 | Longitudinal ground speed (kn) | x | |
| Skipper ESN200 echosounder | DBT | 3701001 | Depth from transducer (m) | x | |
| | DBS | 3702001 | Depth from surface (m) | x | |
| | DBK | 3703002 | Depth from keel (m) | x | |
| | DPT | 3704003 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | DPT | 3704004 | Offset (m) | x | |
| Kongsberg EM 2040D depth | DPT | 4101001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | DPT | 4101002 | Offset (m) | x | |
| Kongsberg ME70 depth | DPT | 8501001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | DPT | 8501002 | Offset (m) | x | |
| Kongsberg EK80 echosounder | CHAN1 | 1701001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | CHAN1 | 1701002 | Hardness (dB) | x | |
| | CHAN1 | 1701003 | Density (m2/nmi2) | x | |
| | CHAN2 | 1702001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | CHAN2 | 1702002 | Hardness (dB) | x | |
| | CHAN2 | 1702003 | Density (m2/nmi2) | x | |
| | CHAN3 | 1703001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | CHAN3 | 1703002 | Hardness (dB) | x | |
| | CHAN3 | 1703003 | Density (m2/nmi2) | x | |
| | CHAN4 | 1704001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | CHAN4 | 1704002 | Hardness (dB) | x | |
| | CHAN4 | 1704003 | Density (m2/nmi2) | x | |
| | CHAN5 | 1705001 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | CHAN5 | 1705002 | Hardness (dB) | x | |
| | CHAN5 | 1705003 | Density (m2/nmi2) | x | |
| | Kongsberg EM304 depth | DPT | 6901001 | Depth (m) | x |
| DPT | | 6901002 | Offset (m) | x | |
| Campbell Scientific weather station #1 | MWV | 6801001 | Wind angle (deg) | x | |
| | MWV | 6801002 | Wind angle (R/T) | x | |
| | MWV | 6801003 | Wind speed (m/s) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802001 | Air temperature (degC) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802002 | Relative humidity (%) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802003 | True Wind speed (m/s) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802004 | True Wind direction (deg) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802005 | Air pressure (hPa) | x | |
| | XDR | 6802006 | Solar radiation density (W/m2) | x | |
| XDR | 6802007 | Solar radiation total (J/m2) | x | | |
| Campbell Scientific weather station #2 | MWV | 7801001 | Wind angle (deg) | x | |
| | MWV | 7801002 | Wind angle (R/T) | x | |
| | MWV | 7801003 | Wind speed (m/s) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802001 | Air temperature (degC) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802002 | Relative humidity (%) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802003 | True Wind speed (m/s) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802004 | True Wind direction (deg) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802005 | Air pressure (hPa) | x | |
| | XDR | 7802006 | Solar radiation density (W/m2) | x | |
| XDR | 7802007 | Solar radiation total (J/m2) | x | | |
| | SBETSG | 6501001 | Scan count (#) | x | |

| Instrument | Telegram | MDM ID | Parameter | Acquisition rate MDM500 | |
|--|----------|---------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| | | | | standard | extra |
| | | | | 10 sec. | 1 sec. |
| Sea-Bird SBE21 thermosalinograph #1 | SBETSG | 6501004 | Temperature SBE21 (degC) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501005 | Temperature SBE38 (degC) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501006 | Conductivity (S/m) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501007 | Salinity (PSU) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501008 | Density sigma-theta (kg/m3) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501009 | SV chen millero (m/s) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501010 | Water flow (m3/h) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 6501015 | Alarm | x | |
| Sea-Bird SBE21 thermosalinograph #2 | SBETSG | 8101001 | Scan count (#) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101004 | Temperature SBE21 (degC) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101005 | Temperature SBE38 (degC) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101006 | Conductivity (S/m) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101007 | Salinity (PSU) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101008 | Density sigma-theta (kg/m3) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101009 | SV chen millero (ms) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101010 | Water flow (m3/h) | x | |
| | SBETSG | 8101015 | Alarm | x | |
| MiniSVS hull | SSV | 5801001 | Sound speed (m/s) | x | |
| | SSV | 5801002 | Temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SSV | 5801003 | Pressure (dBar) | x | |
| MiniSVS PS drop keel | SSV | 5901001 | Sound speed (m/s) | x | |
| | SSV | 5901002 | Temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SSV | 5901003 | Pressure (dBar) | x | |
| MiniSVS SB drop keel | SSV | 7701001 | Sound speed (m/s) | x | |
| | SSV | 7701002 | Temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SSV | 7701003 | Pressure (mBar) | x | |
| Teledyne OS75 ADCP | DBT | 2901002 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | HDT | 2902001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VBW | 2903001 | Longitudinal water speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 2903002 | Transversal water speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 2903003 | Longitudinal ground speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 2903004 | Transversal ground speed (m/s) | x | |
| Teledyne WHM600 ADCP | DBT | 3001002 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | HDT | 3002001 | True heading (deg) | x | |
| | VBW | 3003001 | Longitudinal water speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 3003002 | Transversal water speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 3003003 | Longitudinal ground speed (m/s) | x | |
| | VBW | 3003004 | Transversal ground speed (m/s) | x | |
| Sea-Bird SBE9plus CTD #1 | SBECTD | 8001001 | Scan Count (#) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001002 | Latitude (D.D) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001003 | Longitude (D.D) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001004 | Temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001005 | Conductivity (S/m) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001006 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001007 | Salinity (PSU) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001008 | Density sigma-theta (kg/m3) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001009 | SV chen millero (m/s) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001010 | Oxygen (mg/l) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001011 | Turbidity (NTU) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001012 | Altimeter (m) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001013 | Bottles fired (#) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8001014 | Descent rate (m/s) | x | |
| Sea-Bird SBE9plus CTD #2 | SBECTD | 8301001 | Scan count (#) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301002 | Latitude (D.D) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301003 | Longitude (D.D) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301004 | Temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301005 | Conductivity (S/m) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301006 | Depth (m) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301007 | Salinity (PSU) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301008 | Density sigma-theta (kg/m3) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301009 | SV chen millero (m/s) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301010 | Oxygen (mg/l) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301011 | Turbidity (NTU) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301012 | Altimeter (m) | x | |

| Instrument | Telegram | MDM ID | Parameter | Acquisition rate MDM500 | |
|----------------|----------|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| | | | | standard | extra |
| | | | | 10 sec. | 1 sec. |
| | SBECTD | 8301013 | Bottles fired (#) | x | |
| | SBECTD | 8301014 | Descent rate (m/s) | x | |
| AUMS Oceanpack | SDS1 | 8801013 | Temperature SBE45 (degC) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801014 | Conductivity SBE45 (mS/cm) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801015 | Salinity SBE45 (PSU) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801016 | O2 concentration (umol) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801017 | Air saturation (%) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801018 | Air temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801019 | pH | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801020 | pH temperature (degC) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801021 | Turbidity Eco Triplet (NTU) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801025 | Turbidity Campbell (NTU) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801027 | CHL Eco triplet (ug/l) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801028 | CHL-A NanoFlu (ug/l) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801029 | CDOM Eco Triplet (ppb) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801032 | Water flow (l/min) | x | |
| | SDS1 | 8801033 | CO2 LI-COR (ppm) | x | |
| | SDS2 | 8802010 | PAR (umol) | x | |

10. CHEMICALS

- Triton – 1% – 2l Use: chemistry lab 1 (CASnr 9002-93-1)
- HCL - 25% Use: wet lab
- Liquid nitrogen - 20l - use: wet lab (CASnr: 7727-37-9)
- Neutral buffered formaline – 10% - 1L – use in wet lab or ideally on deck for ventilation (CASnr: CAS No. 50-00-0)
- HgCl₂ – use: wet lab
- pH buffer 4, 7, 8, 10 – use wet lab