

ODYSSEA

*Operating a network of integrated observatory systems in the
Mediterranean Sea*

First ODYSSEA Stakeholder Workshop

*"transforming Mediterranean Sea data into innovative information
services"*

Rome (Italy), Piazza Borghese 9–Lecture Hall (*Aula Magna*) of the Faculty of Architecture,
Sapienza University

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ODYSSEA (*Operating a network of integrated observatory systems in the Mediterranean Sea*) is an EU funded H2020 project that will develop, operate and demonstrate an interoperable and cost-effective platform that fully integrates networks of observing and forecasting systems across the Mediterranean basin, addressing both the open sea and the coastal zone.

Collaboration with various stakeholders and keyplayers is not only a necessary component of the dissemination and exploitation activities, but also an important part of the project itself. The project indeed aims to build on existing initiatives and serve the needs of a range of data users in the Mediterranean.

Therefore, this first Stakeholder Workshop aims to foster partnership between ODYSSEA, platform providers and EU funded projects, creating synergies among participants and optimizing the research activities of organizations dealing with similar topics.

After a first session setting the scene, the workshop has two main sessions: in session I, ODYSSEA and some other projects and platforms will be presented. Session II foresees a roundtable discussion aimed to create a mutually beneficial leverage of knowledge.

AGENDA

9:00 – 9:30:00 Registration

09:30 – 10:00 - Opening Session

- 09:30-09:40 , Welcoming remarks, Prof.Livio de Santoli (Sapienza University of Rome)
- 09:40-10:00 ODYSSEA in brief: main goals, activities and deliverables, Prof. Georgios Sylaios (ODYSSEA Project Coordinator-Democritus University of Thrace)

10:00 – 13:00 - Session I: Setting the scene, Moderated by Prof. Davide Astiaso Garcia (Sapienza University of Rome)

10:00-10:30 Earth Observation platforms:Developments in Operational Oceanography

- EuroGOOS– European Global Ocean Observing System, by Dr. Glenn Nolan, EuroGOOS Secretary General
- MonGOOS – The Mediterranean Operational Network for the Global Ocean Observing System, by Dr Giovanni Coppini (Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change)

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:45 Blue Growth in Action: Presentation of Projects

- BlueMed Project, presented by Dr. Elena Ciappi (CNR/Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche–INSEAN/Istituto Nazionale per Studied Esperienze di Architettura Navale)
- MEDCIS – Support Mediterranean Member States towards coherent and coordinated implementation of the second phase of the MSFD, by Dr. Kalliopi Pagou(Hellenic Centre for Marine Research)
- AtlantOS - Optimising and Enhancing the Integrated Atlantic Ocean Observing Systems, by Michèle Barbier (Université Pierre et Marie Curie)

11:45-12:45Operational Oceanography in North Africa today: Insider Views

- Oceanographic Monitoring and Modeling Activities along the Egyptian Mediterranean Coastline and Continental Shelf, by Prof. Mohamed Said (National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries)
- Oceanographic Monitoring and Modeling Activities along the TunisianCoastline and Continental Shelf, by DrGhassen Halouani (Institut Nationale Agronomique de Tunisie)

- Oceanographic Monitoring and Modeling Activities along the Algerian Coastline and Continental Shelf, by DrAicha Beya Mammeria(Nord Sud Ventures-Université Badji Mokhtar)
- Oceanographic Monitoring and Modeling Activities along the Mediterranean Moroccan Coastline and Continental Shelf, DrBenyounesAbdellaoui (Institut National de Recherche Halieutique)

12:45-13:00, Conclusions, Rapporteurs Davide Astiaso Garcia & Bracha Ehrman

13:00 – 14:00 Networking lunch

14:00 – 17:00 Session II: Roundtable discussion

14:00-15:00 Networking with other Platforms and Projects, Chaired by Dr Ghada El Serafy (Deltares)

The Panel, composed of up to 4 experts with the contribution of the attendees and steered by the Chair, will discuss the principles and modalities that will govern exchange of data with the various platforms and projects. The objective is to arrive at a consensus that can be captured in a MoU

15:00-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-16:30 Beyond EU : Supporting the Development of Operational Oceanography all across the Mediterranean, Chaired by Dr Corinne Martin

The Panel, composed of up to 4 experts with the contribution of the attendees and steered by the Chair, will discuss concrete ways to deal with bottlenecks and opportunities for the development of Operational Oceanography in the non-EU Mediterranean Coastal countries, identify critical success factors for commercial/industrial applications.

16:30 – 17:00 Closing remarks

Rapporteurs: Georgios Sylaios, Ghada El Serafy & Corinne Martin.

20:00 Dinner offered by Sapienza University of Rome at <http://www.dafrancesco.it/>