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**COMMON SENSE Web Platform**

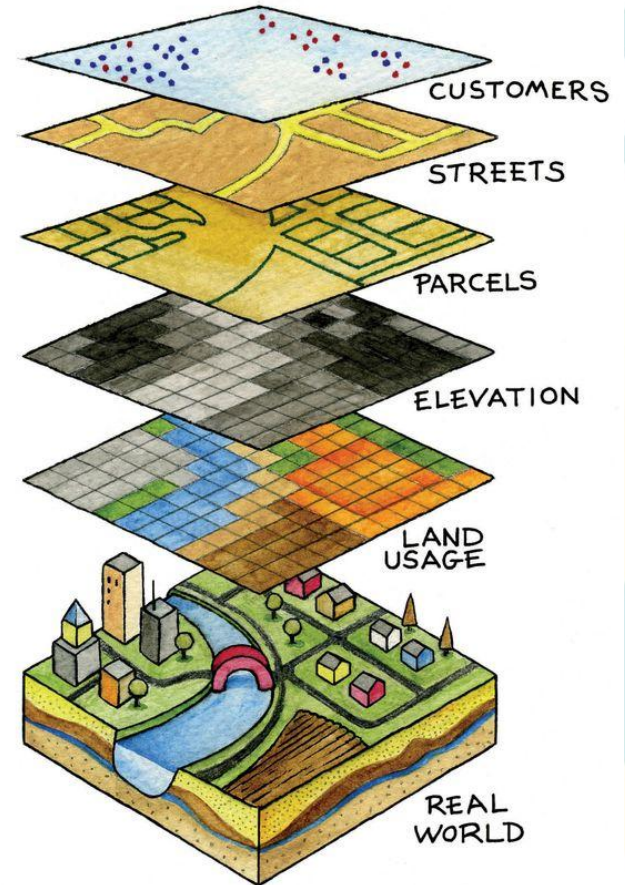
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# Background



**Adding value to Environmental Science  
using ICT and Geomatics**



# COMMON SENSE data management objectives

- Design and implement a Common Sensor **Web Platform** for connecting, processing, storing, managing and sharing sensor data
- Underpinned by the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) **Sensor Web Enablement (SWE)** suite of standard encodings and web services
- **Interoperability**: e.g. to enable data exchange with existing systems such as the GEOSS
- Built on **open source software**



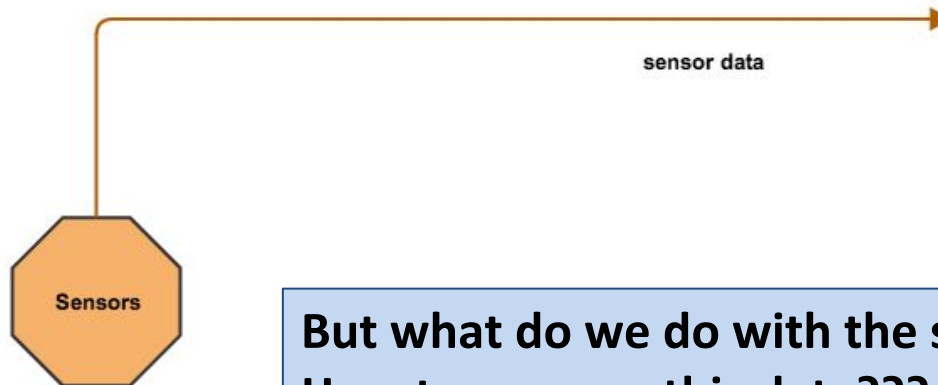


# Implementation questions – sensors



Administrator/  
Operator

We have a sensor



**But what do we do with the sensor data outputs???**  
**How to manage this data???**

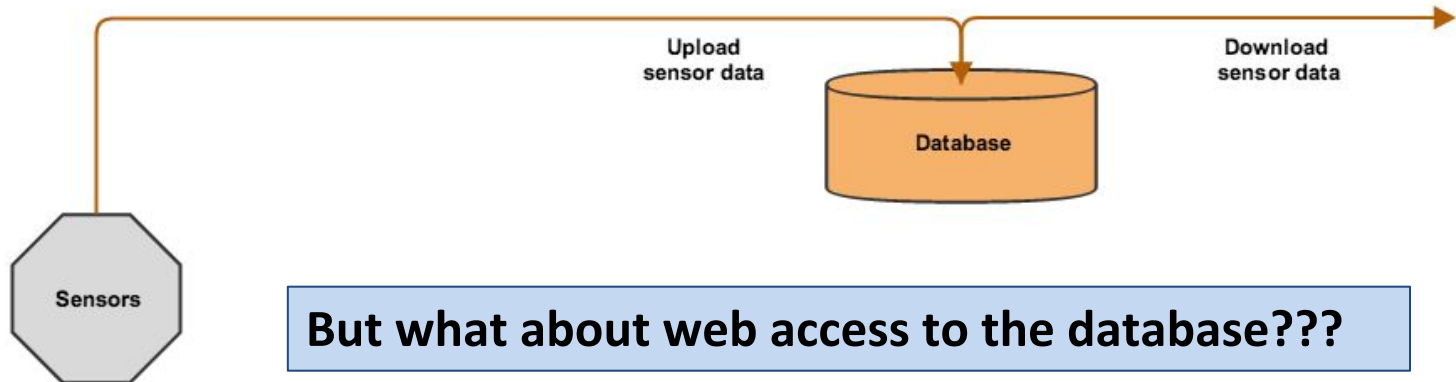




# Implementation questions – database



We decide to upload the sensor data to a database



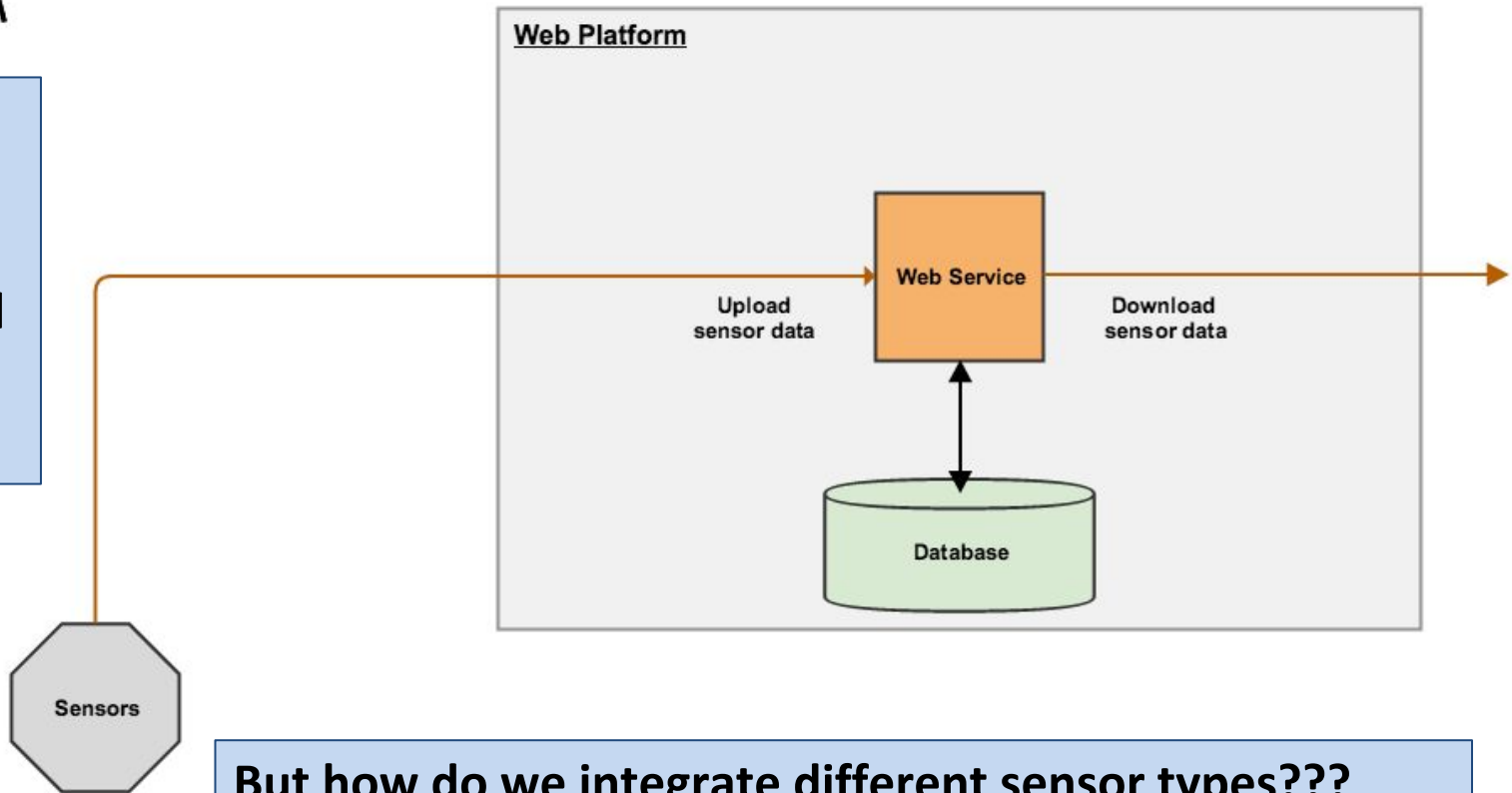
But what about web access to the database???



# Implementation questions – web access to data



We have web access to the database for uploading and downloading data.

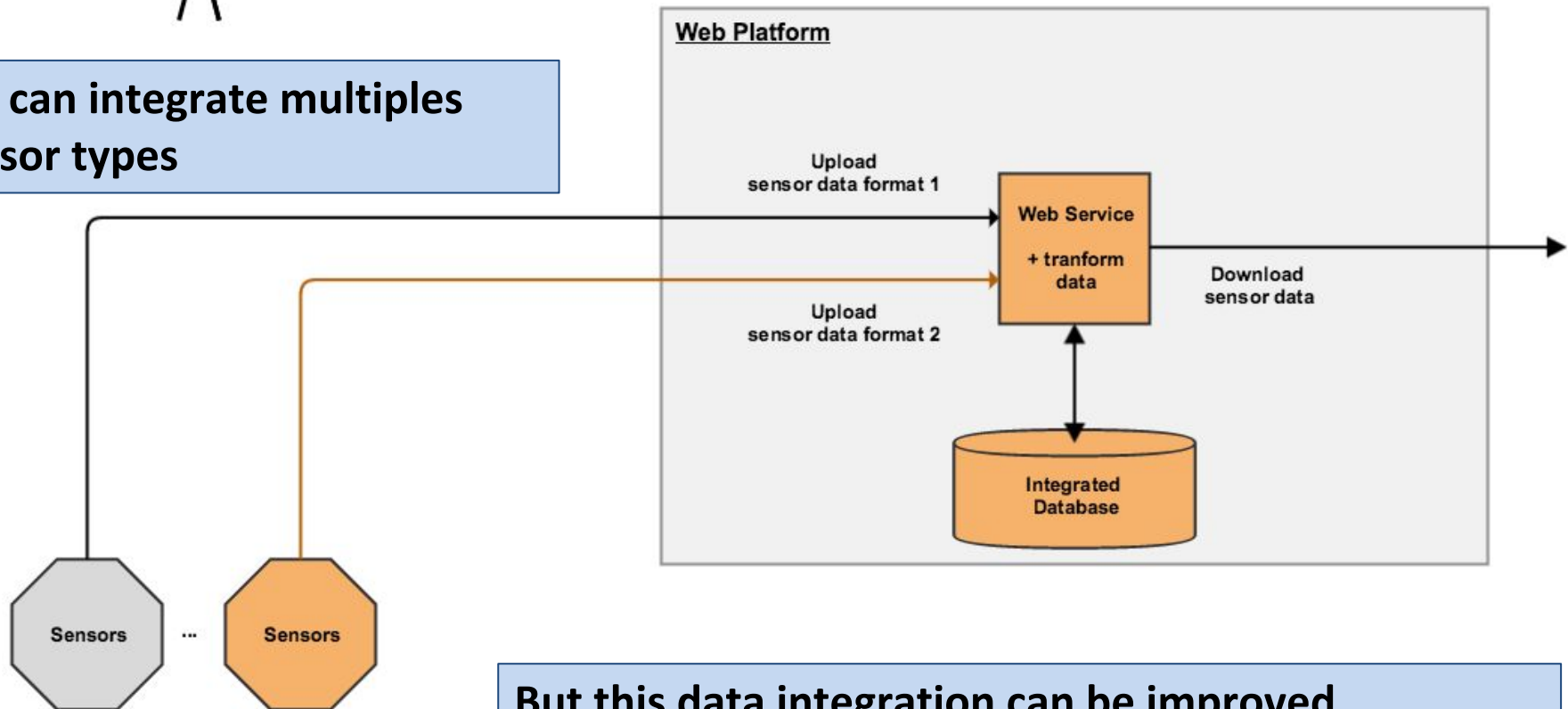


But how do we integrate different sensor types???

# Implementation questions – sensor data integration 1



We can integrate multiples  
sensor types

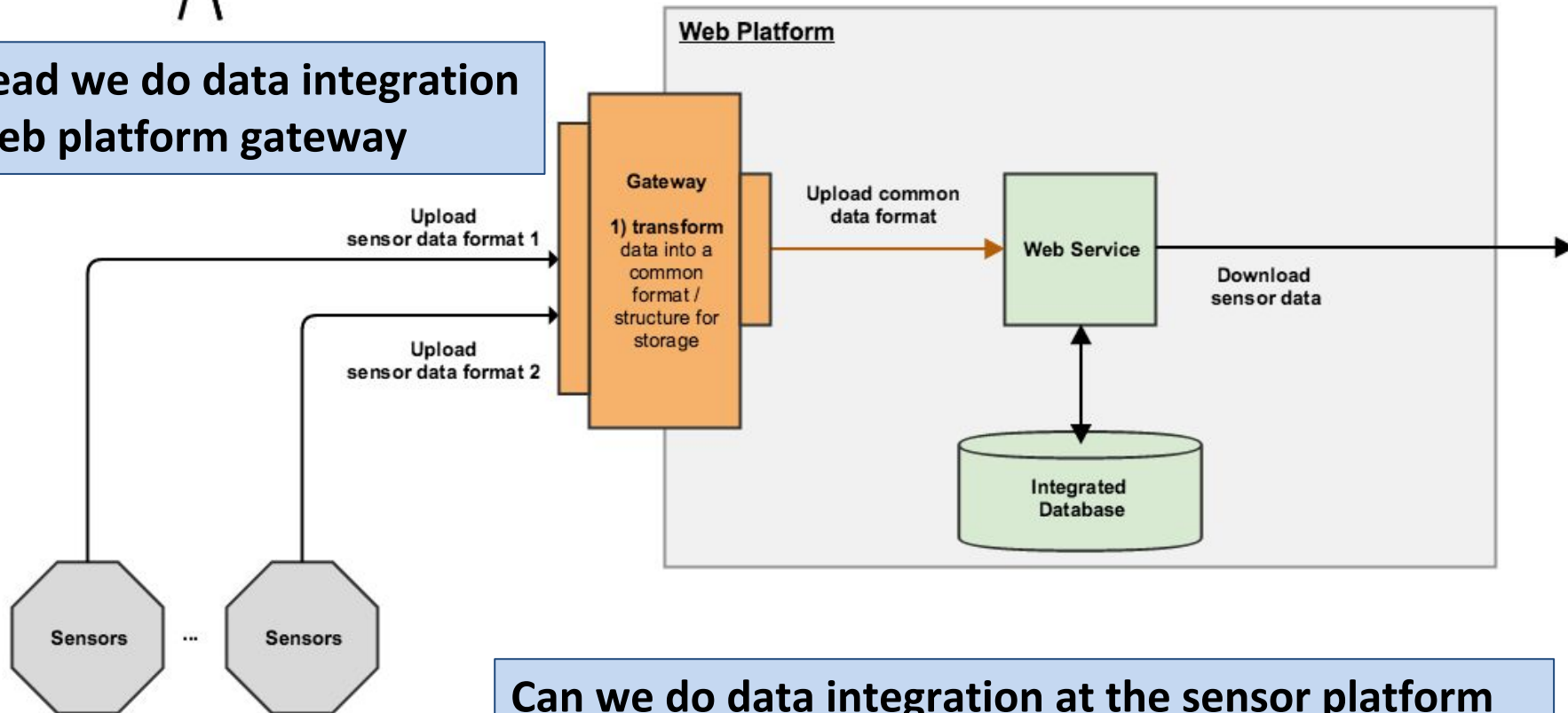


But this data integration can be improved

# Implementation questions – sensor data integration 2



Instead we do data integration  
in web platform gateway



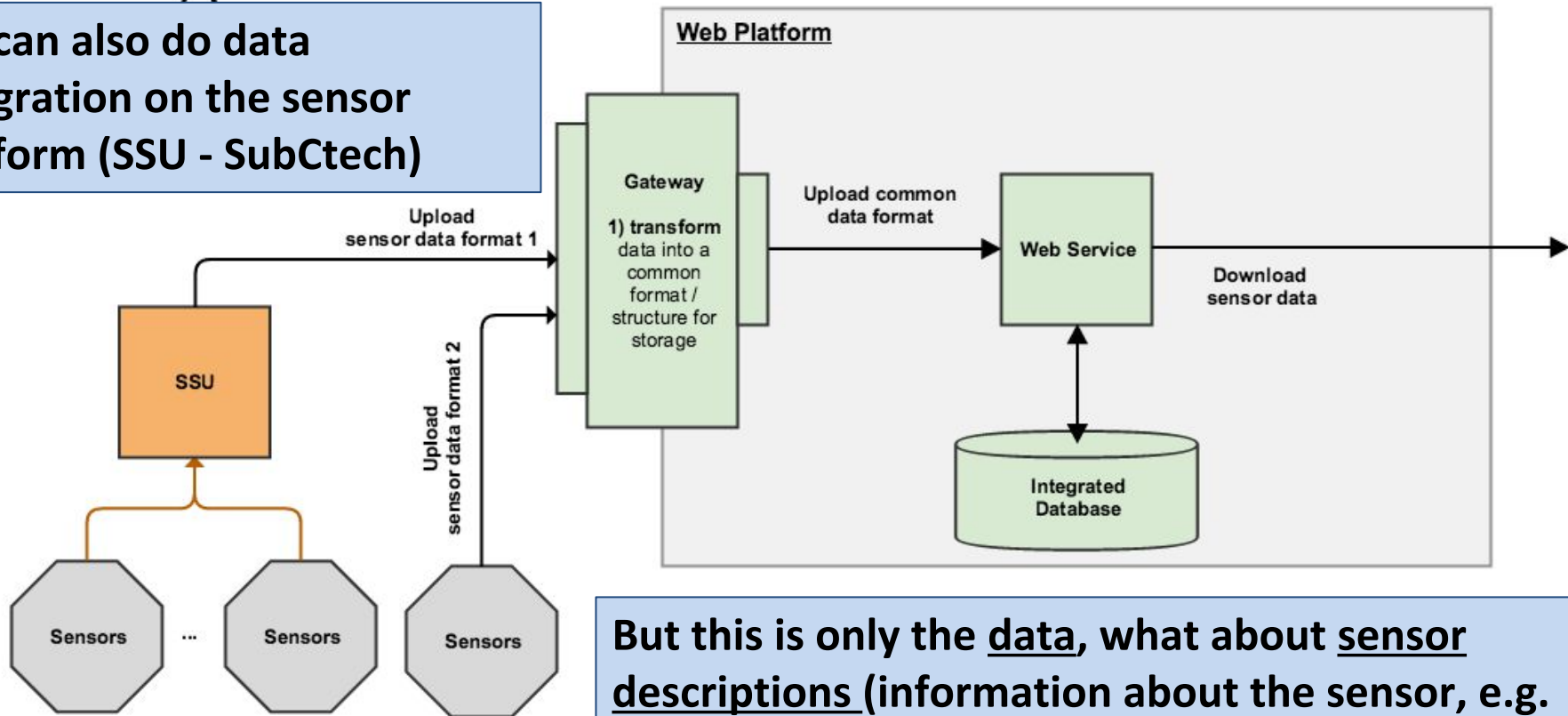
Can we do data integration at the sensor platform  
level???



# Implementation questions – sensor data integration 3



We can also do data integration on the sensor platform (SSU - SubCtech)

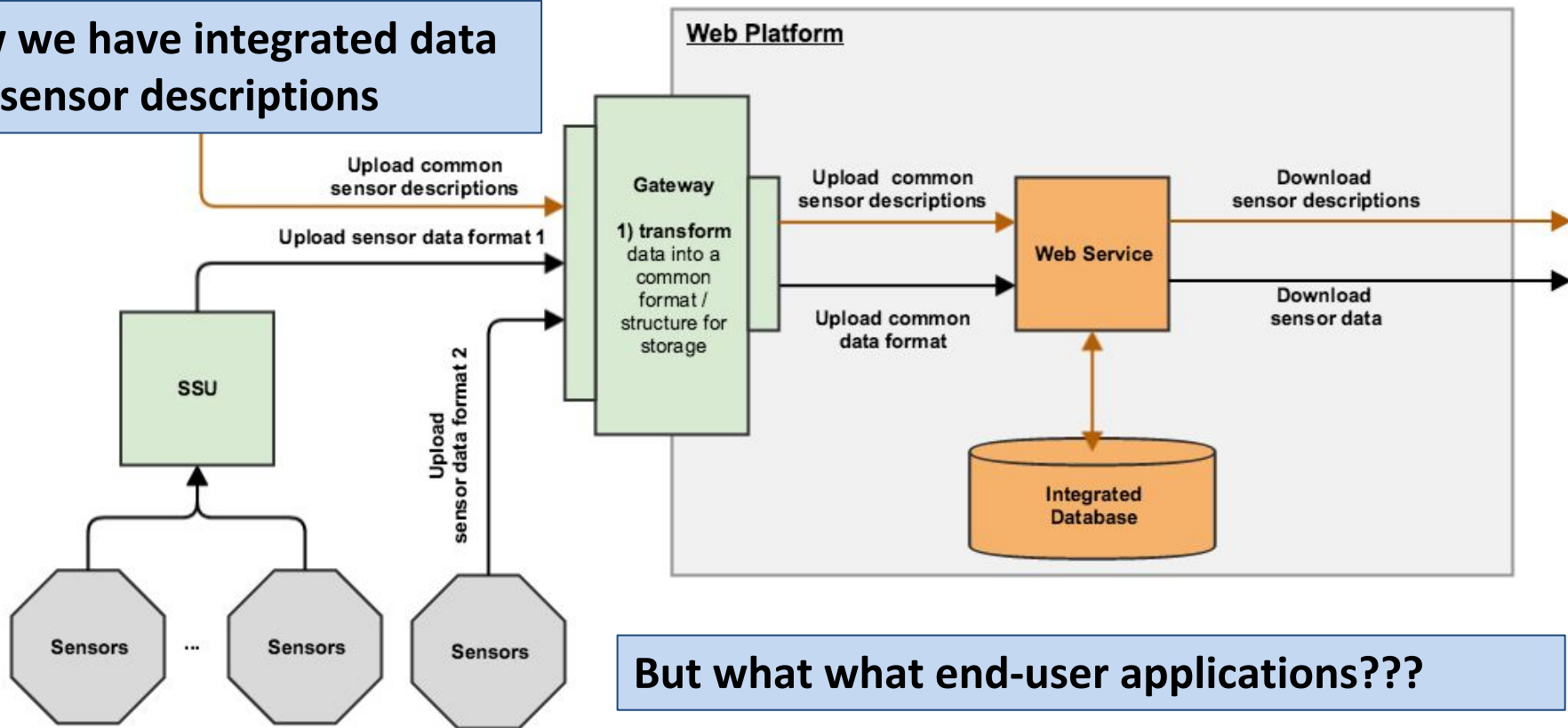


But this is only the data, what about sensor descriptions (information about the sensor, e.g. calibration information, evaluate quality)???

# Implementation questions – sensor descriptions



Now we have integrated data and sensor descriptions

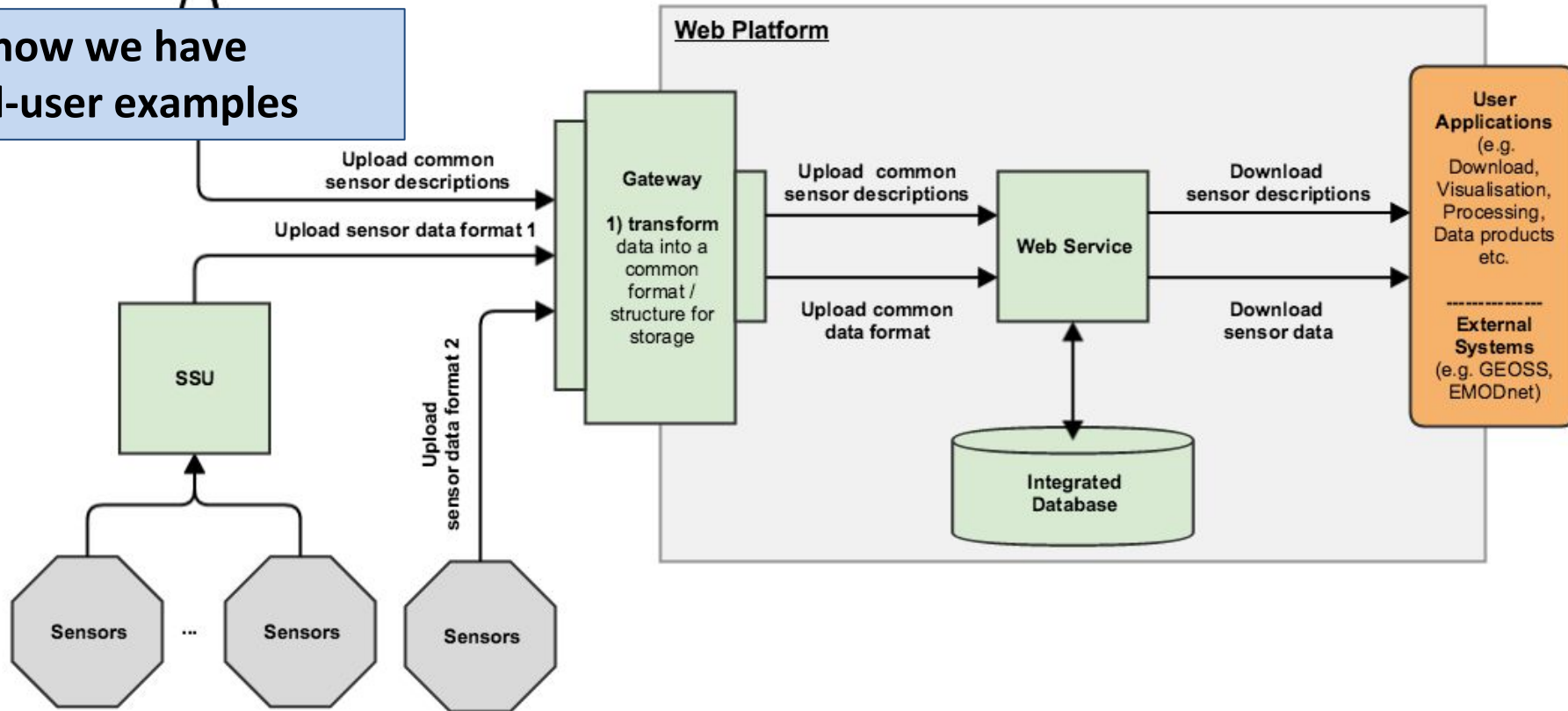


But what what end-user applications???

# Implementation questions – end-user applications

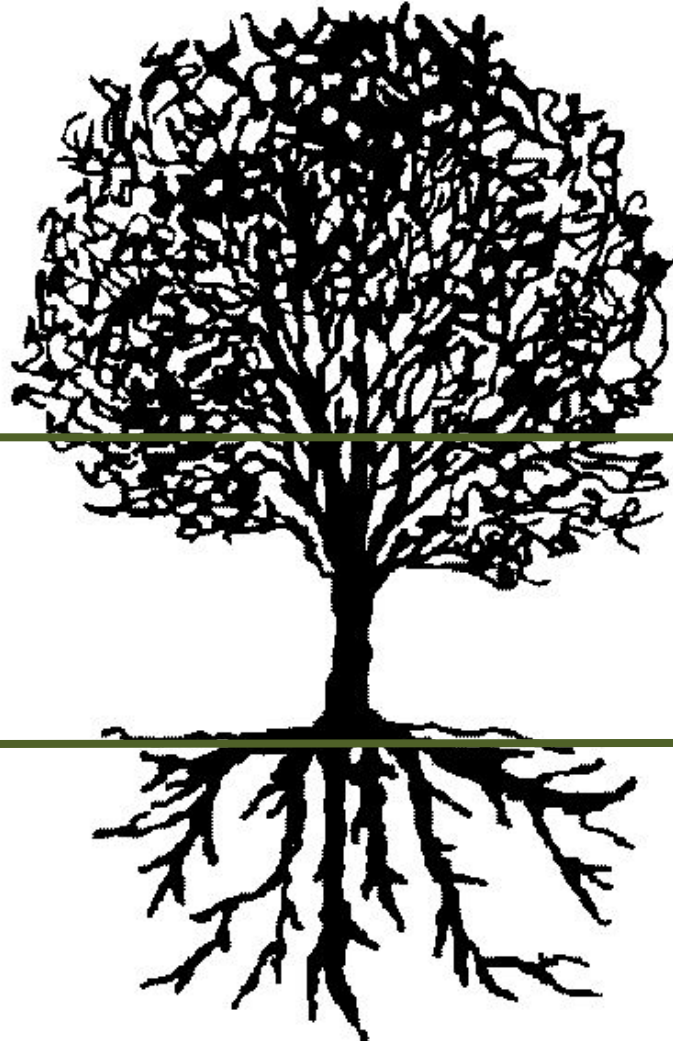


So now we have end-user examples





# End-to-end data integration challenges



## End user applications

(e.g. portal, DSS, EIA, risk management, external systems, services,...)

Standards

Diverse datasets

# Web Platform – technology choices

- Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)  
**Sensor Web Enablement (SWE)** suite of standard encodings and web services.
  - **Common data exchange format: Observations & Measurements (O&M)**  
(XML type data format)
  - **Common sensor description exchange format: SensorML**  
(XML type metadata format)
  - **Data access web server: Sensor Observation Service (SOS)**  
(web service for uploading and downloading sensor data and descriptions – using 52North SOS open source software)

# Web Platform – technology choices

- Web Platform integration with the Sensor Platform (SSU - SubCtech)
  - **Data inputs to web platform:**  
**NMEA data format received from the SSU**  
Web platform gateway automatically transforms NMEA to O&M
  - **Real-time data stream upload supported using telecommunications**  
1 second sampling rate tested from Barcelona to a server in Cork
  - **Batch upload**  
Bulk data upload, useful if sensor is offline

# Interdisciplinary approach essential (e.g. SensorML)

**Sensor:** Manufacturer knows the capabilities and limitations (range limitations, precisions, etc.).

**Setup:** Sensor Operator modifies configurations (new limitations and specific capabilities) but typically use the manufacturer's software.

**Deploy:** Field Operator knows issues relating to the deployment/maintenance (location, precision of location, sensor swap, cleaning).

**Collect:** In logging data streams for distribution or archival, decisions are made (length of data window for summaries, timestamps) / data manager.

**Process:** Typically, data are processed; data manager knows the process history.

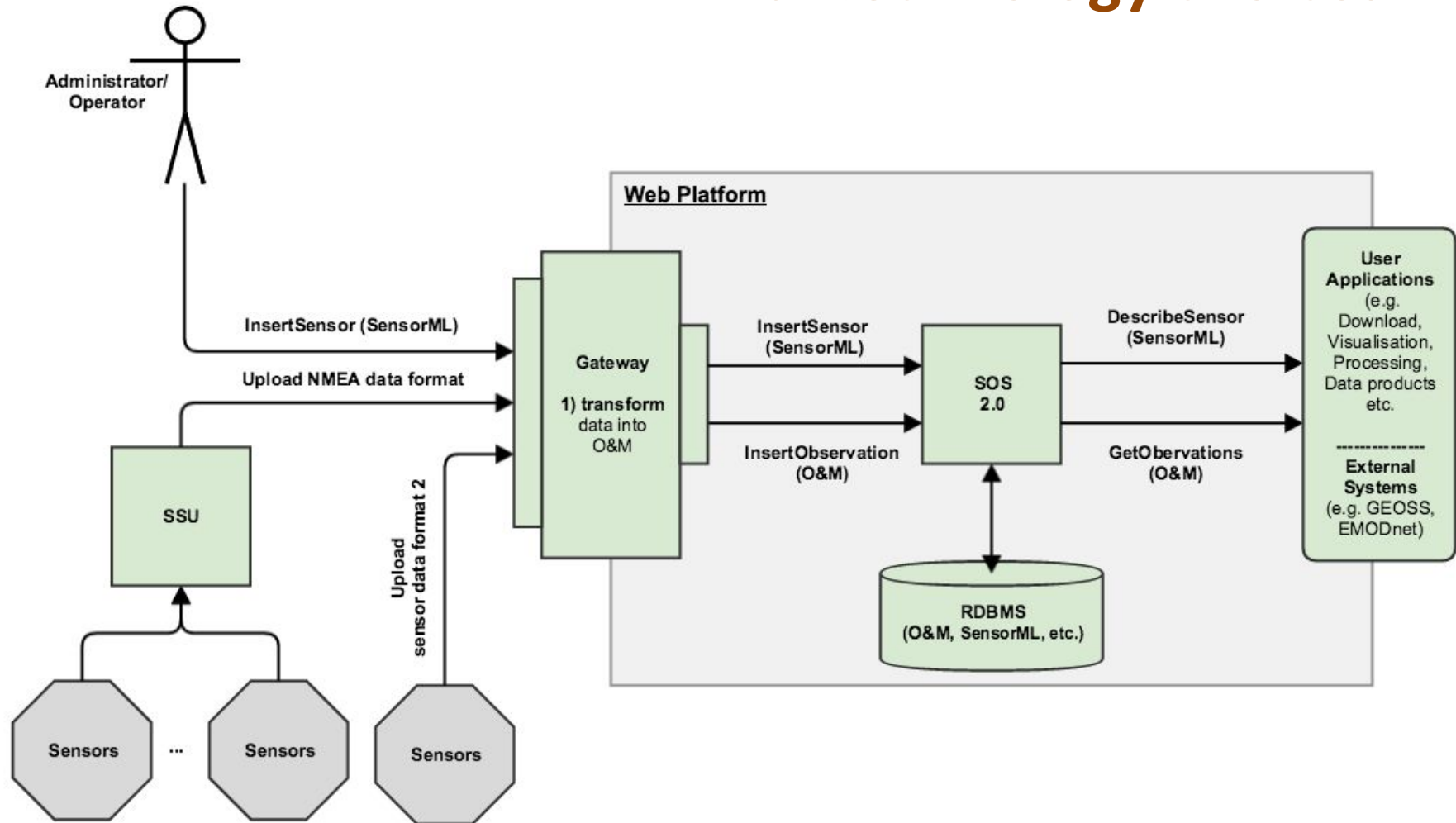
**Distribute:** Data goes out to the world; fully-described standards-based encoding (all agents).

**Use:** User sees and selects data using Complete Lifecycle Metadata.

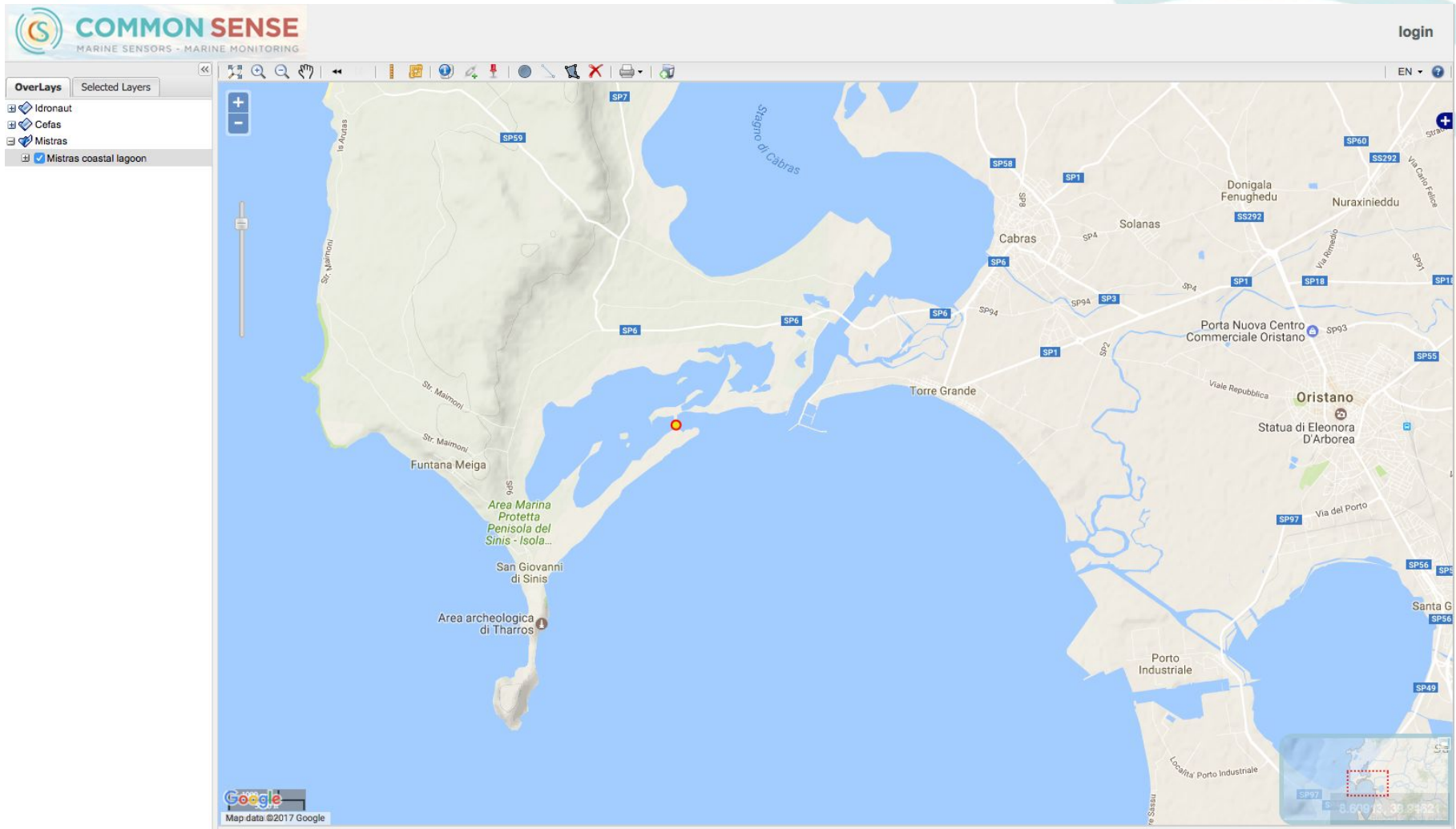
**Workshop Sensor Web Enablement (SWE), Oceanology International (ref: X-DOMES)**

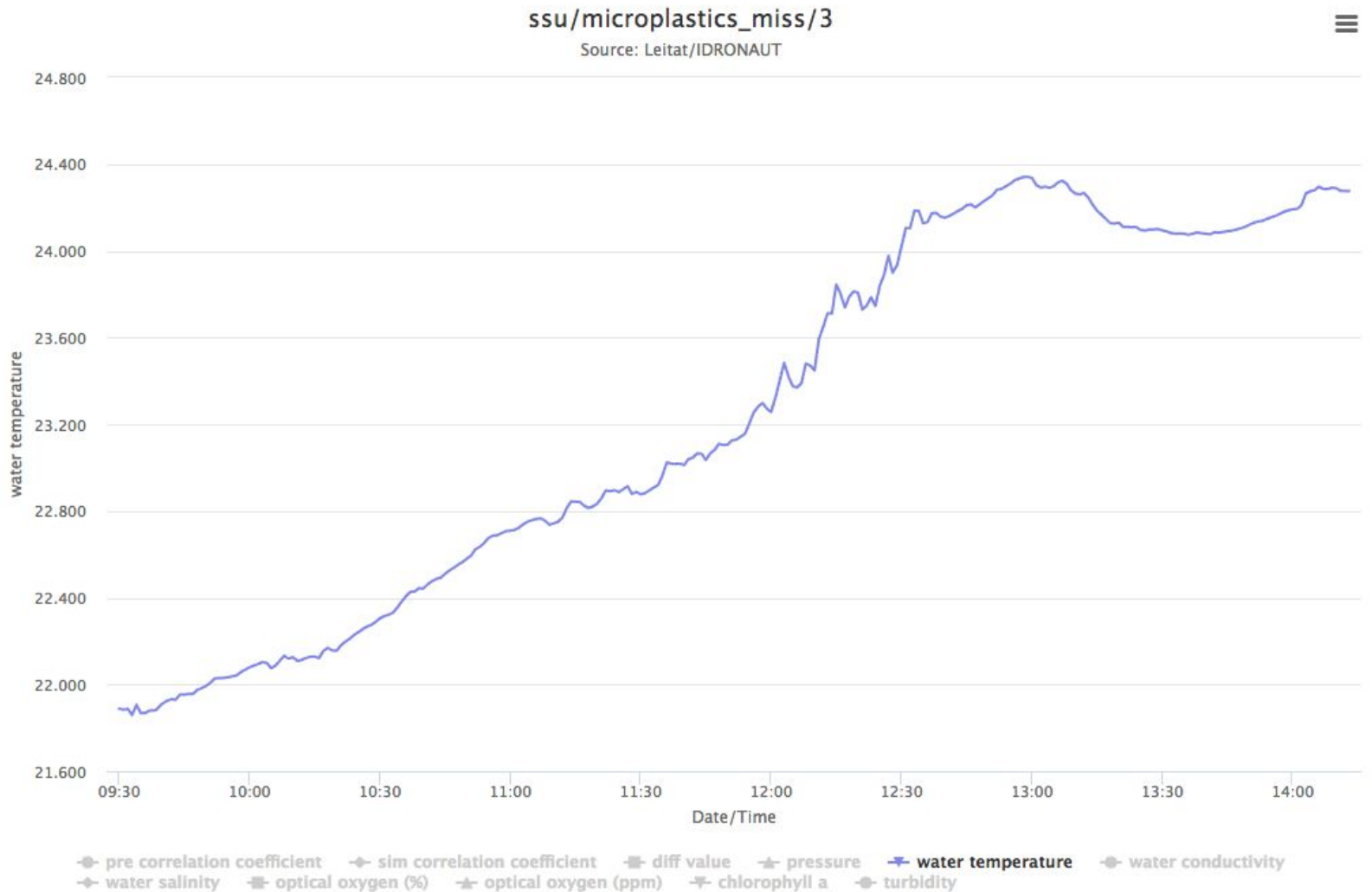


# Web Platform – final technology choices









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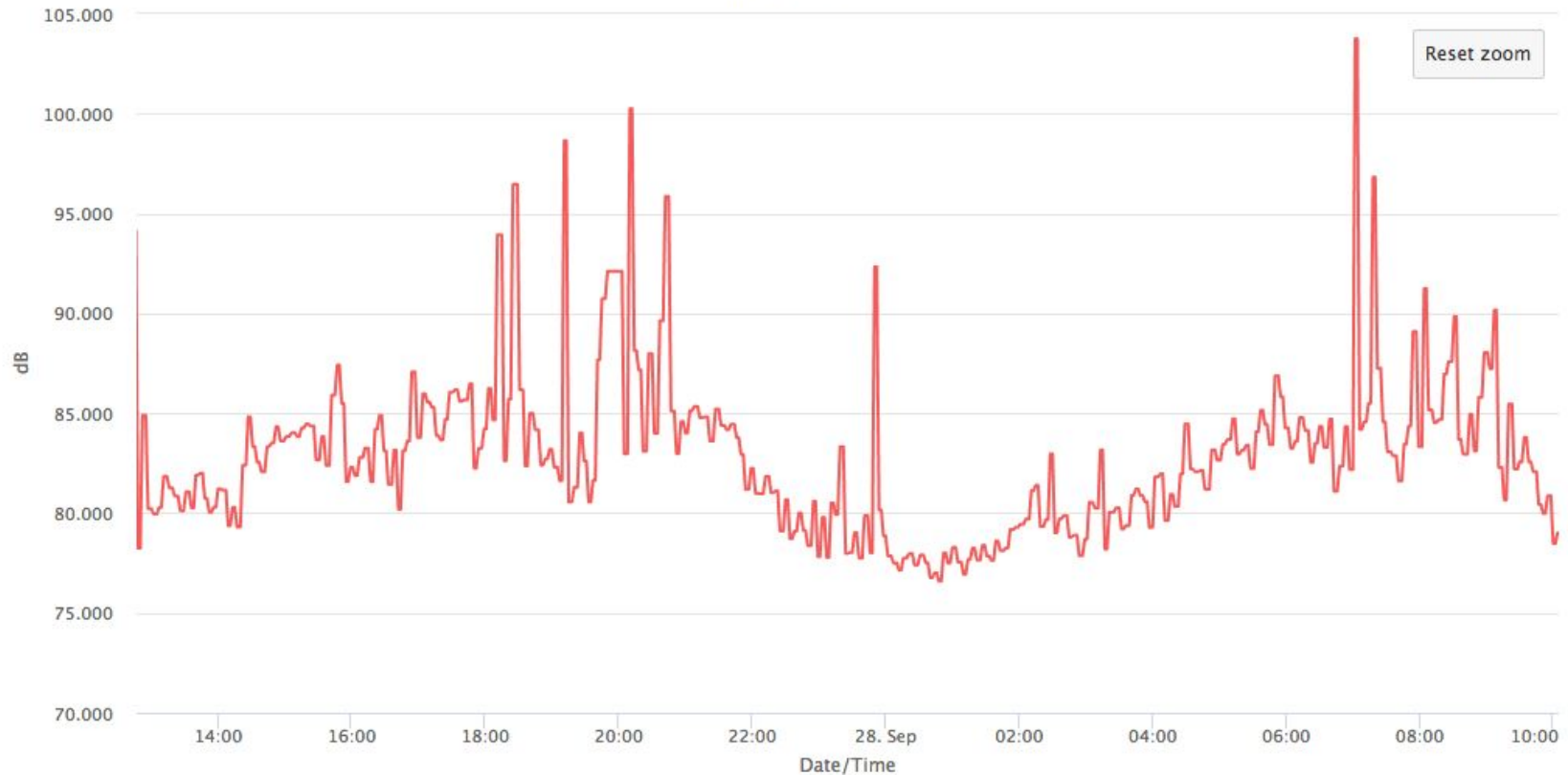


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## Thank you for your Attention

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