Ocean Data Interoperability Platform: fostering a common approach to marine data management on a global scale





Drivers for sharing marine data: policy

European

- Marine Strategy Framework Directive (2008)
 - European Marine Obs
- Marine Knowledge 2020
- Blue Growth Strategy
- Galway Statement on Atla
 - Transatlantic Ocean F

"Australia's ongoing marine research success depends on improved management of national and global marine research data and information"

Australia

- Marine Nation 2025
- National Marine Science Plan 2015-2025

Drivers for sharing marine data: scientific and economic

- Improved understanding of marine ecosystems
- Assessment of health of marine environments
- Modelling and forecasting of potential future changes
- Sustainable development and exploitation of the oceans (UN SDG 14)
- Addressing global environmental challenges e.g. climate change

THE GREAT BARRIER REEF GENERATES

US\$5.7 billion/year AND
69,000 JOBS

Barriers to sharing marine data

Technical

Data heterogeneity e.g. formats, spatial referencing

Policy

 Data access policies (organisational, national and regional level) – lack of consistency

Changing political agendas

Cultural

Working practices



Marine data infrastructures

Regional data infrastructures

- Address specific 'local' requirements for data discovery and access
- Developed in response to needs of the user community and funding agency policy and guidelines
- Created in isolation to those in other regions

Global e-infrastructures

- Domain specific e.g. IODE Ocean Data Portal (ODP)
- Multidisciplinary e.g. GEOSS

Common global framework for marine data management

- Support sharing of marine data across regional and global systems
- Delivering interoperable data
- Single point of access for users
- Implementation requires:
 - Significant resources
 - Cultural change
 - Approach based on existing marine data systems



Ocean Data Interoperability Platform (ODIP/ODIP II)

Regions

Funders

- Europe (19 partners)
- USA (9 partners)
- Australia (5 partners)
- Canada (1 partner)
- International (4 partners)







ODIP: Oct 2012 -Sept 2015

ODIP II: Apr 2015 — Mar 2018



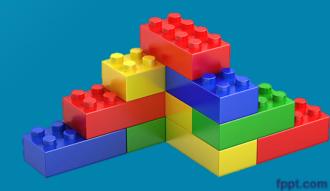
ODIP Objectives

- Address barriers that inhibit sharing of marine data across disciplines, domains and international boundaries
- Promote development of a common global framework for marine data management
- Create a European USA Australia-Canada co-ordination platform promoting dialogue between stakeholders
- Develop prototype interoperability solutions demonstrating a coordinated international approach to marine data management



ODIP prototypes

- Regional data systems form 'building blocks' for a global framework
- Prototype interoperability solutions
 - ODIP 1: Discovery and access of marine data



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Establishing (semantic) interoperability between regional marine data discovery and access services:



- SeaDataNet, (Europe)
- AODN (Australia)
- US NODC/NCEI (USA)



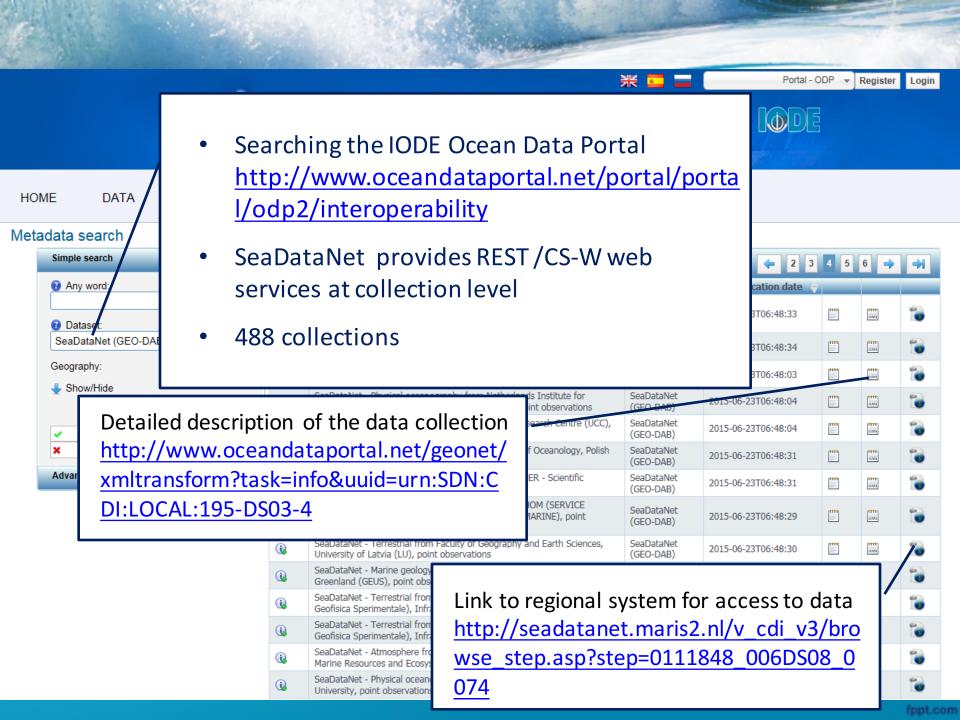
Facilitate sharing of metadata

- across regional data infrastructures
- with global GEOSS portal and IODE ODP

ODIP 1: outcomes

- Regional data discovery and access service delivering 'collections' of XML metadata records as web services
- Implementation of broker technologies
- Standardised 'collections' metadata exposed as web services
- Metadata from regional data discovery systems exposed in global portals e.g. IODE - ODP





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 - ODIP 1: Discovery and access of marine data
 - ODIP 2: Cruise summary reports (CSR)
 - ODIP 3: Sensor web enablement (SWE)
 - ODIP 4: Digital 'playground' for testing VRE components
 - ODIP 5: Integrating biological and physical oceanography data

ODIP: what we learned

- Ecosystem level marine research has made an integrated global network of data services a necessity
- Leveraging the activities of existing data infrastructures to establish a common global framework for marine data management can overcome many of the recognised barriers to sharing of marine data.



ODIP: what we learned

- An approach based on existing marine data systems is potentially highly scalable and robust, as well as being transferable to other domains
- Establishing interoperability across regional data infrastructures and with the larger global data systems makes marine data more widely available for a diverse range of multidisciplinary applications





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