

Copernicus Marine – Service Evolution Strategy

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The EU Copernicus Marine Service

Global & Regional Ocean Monitoring and Forecasting

MULTI-YEAR
10 to 45 years

REAL-TIME
Daily, hourly

FORECAST
2 to 10 days

ESSENTIAL OCEAN VARIABLES

BLUE OCEAN



Physics

WHITE OCEAN



Sea Ice

GREEN OCEAN



Biogeochemistry

OBSERVATIONS
In situ & Satellites

NUMERICAL MODELS
& data assimilation

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|----------|-------------|
| 1 Global | 5 IBI |
| 2 Arctic | 6 Med Sea |
| 3 Baltic | 7 Black Sea |
| 4 NWS | |

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Free and Open



Users, Applications and User Uptake

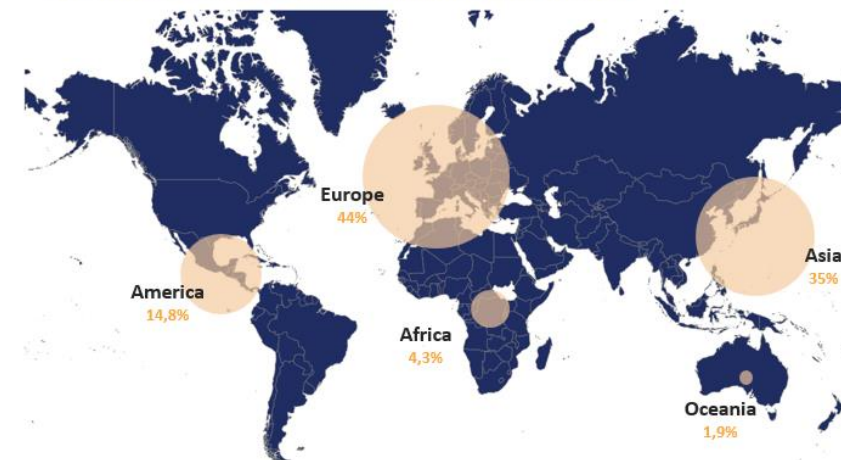
85 000 registered users

~1,5 million visits on marine.copernicus.eu

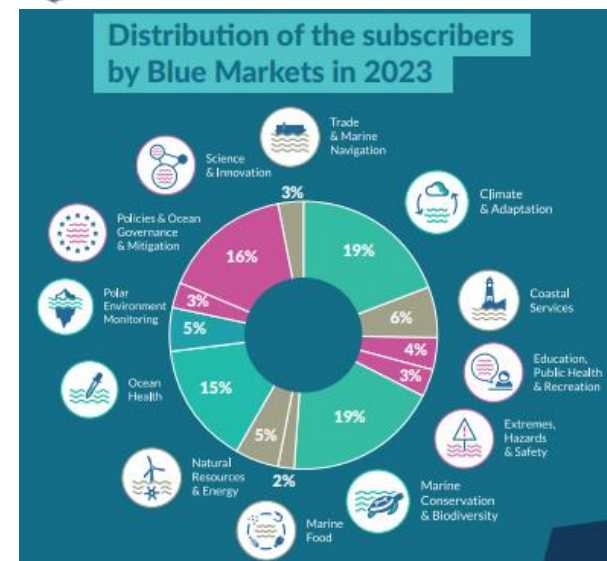
A wide range of applications covering all sectors of the blue economy
(environment, society, economy)

Support to EU policies (Green Deal)

Subscribers - Geographical distribution (to Sept. 2024)



<https://marine.copernicus.eu/news/release-copernicus-marine-user-uptake-2023-kpi-report>





Continuously evolving Service



BLUE OCEAN

Currents, temperature,
waves, sea level, ...



WHITE OCEAN

Ice coverage, velocity,
concentration, Icebergs ...



GREEN OCEAN

CO₂, nutrients, oxygen,
primary production, ...

Copernicus Marine Service in COPERNICUS 2 :

Regular incremental improvements to the current Offer
+ a series of major evolutions

Coastal

- Coastal Hub
- New products (bathy, HR winds, SL, OC,...)
- FOCCUS

Arctic

- New HR products at pan-Arctic scale
- ACCIBERG

Marine Biology

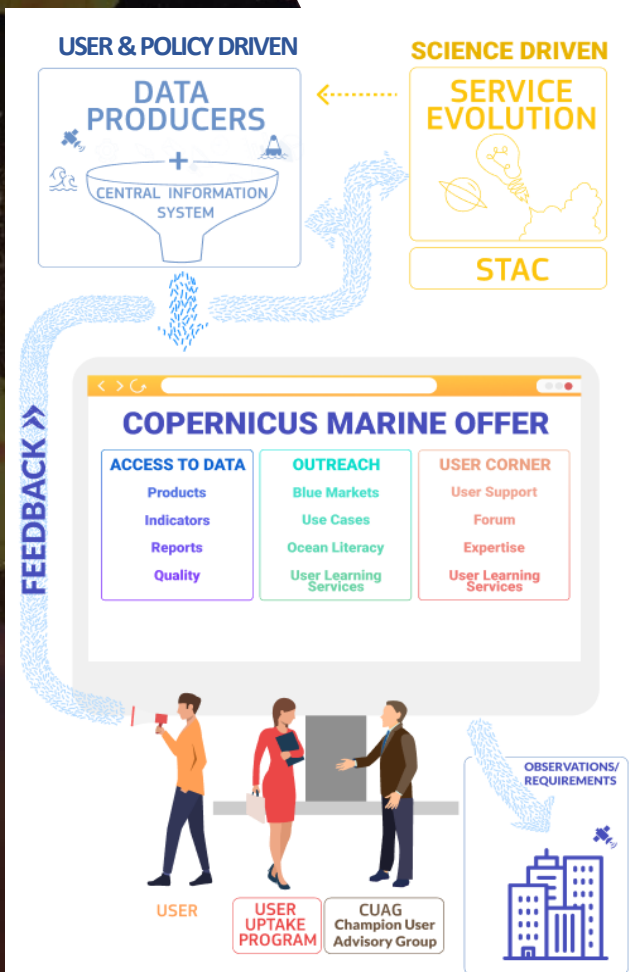
- New products (POC, DOC, PFTs,...)
- NECCTON

Ocean Climate

- Long reanalyses
- SEACLIM

Digital services

- EDITO (Modellab & Infra)



A user, policy, science driven, continuously evolving service to remain state-of-the-art and a leading service for Copernicus

- The continuous improvement approach is applicable to all Copernicus Marine Service elements: production centers, marine data store, web & service
- **User & policy driven**: user feedbacks & policy needs are monitored and translated into service/products evolution objectives. **Guidance** from our **Champion User Advisory Group (CUAG)**
*Co-design with users – Valentina, Thursday, Room II, 11:30
- **Science driven**: **Scientific** (observations, modelling, assimilation, AI) and **technological** (e.g. cloud and computing capabilities) **advances** are fully taken into account. **Guidance** from our international, independent experts from the **Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC)**

Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee



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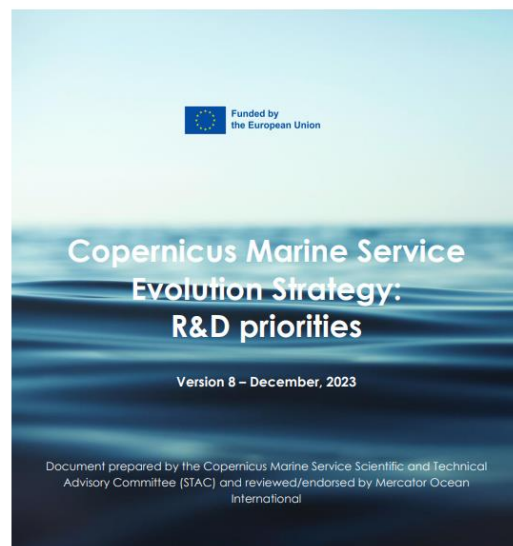
+ observers from other Copernicus Services, ESA, EUMETSAT, EuroGOOS

Service Evolution strategy: R&D priorities

Document prepared
by the STAC

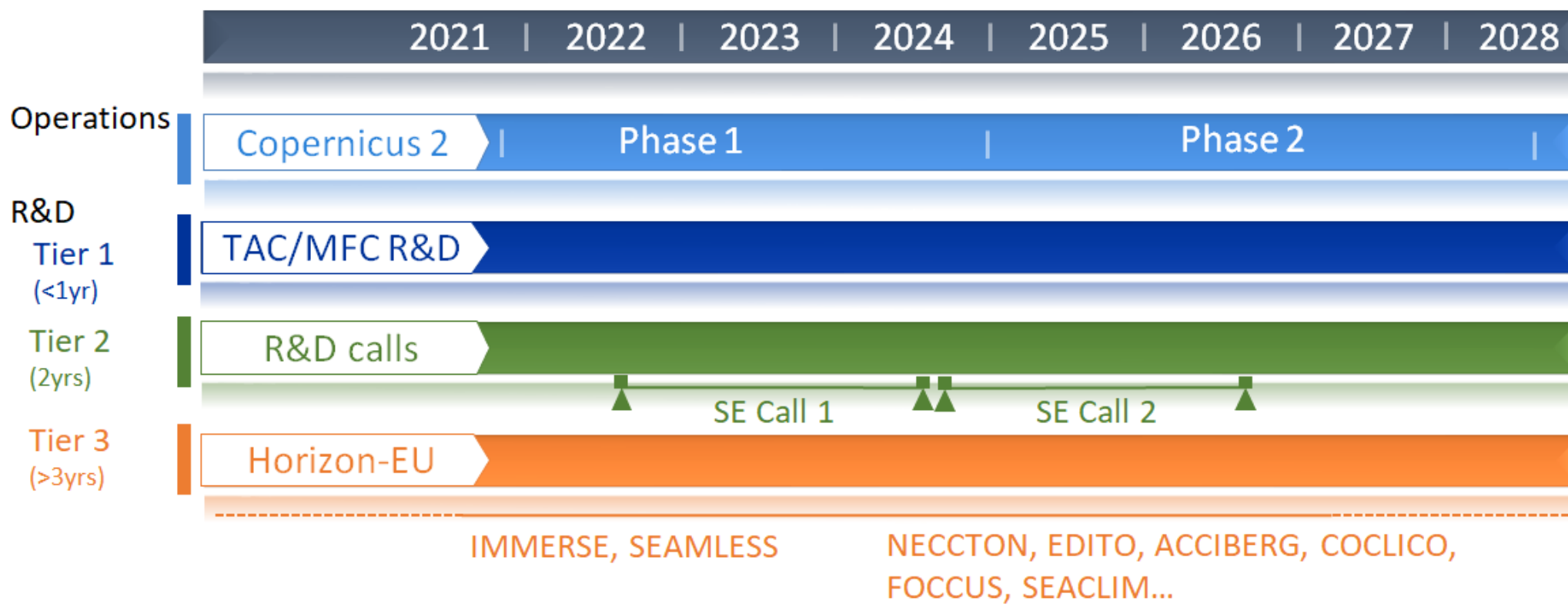
→ Priority topics covering 8 R&D areas:

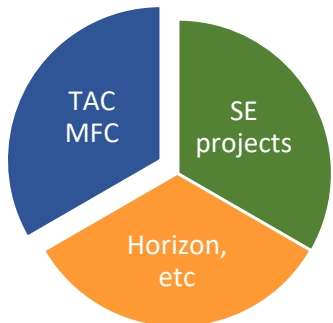
- Next generation of integrated ocean forecasting systems
- HR monitoring and forecasting of the blue ocean
- Arctic Ocean: sea-ice analysis, modelling, forecasting
- AI, big data and advanced data products
- Ocean climate products, indicators, projections
- Observations, inputs and sensitivity studies
- Biogeochemistry and marine biology
- Marine coastal environment



Service Evolution activities: R&D streams

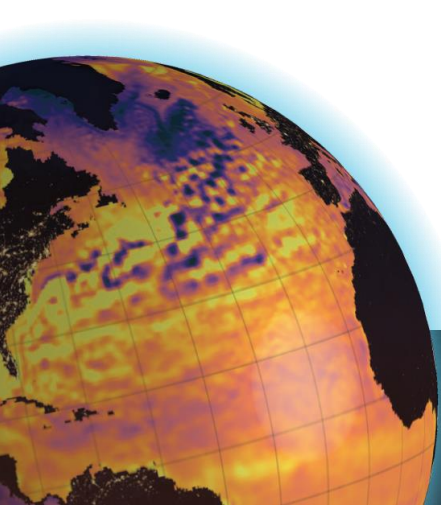
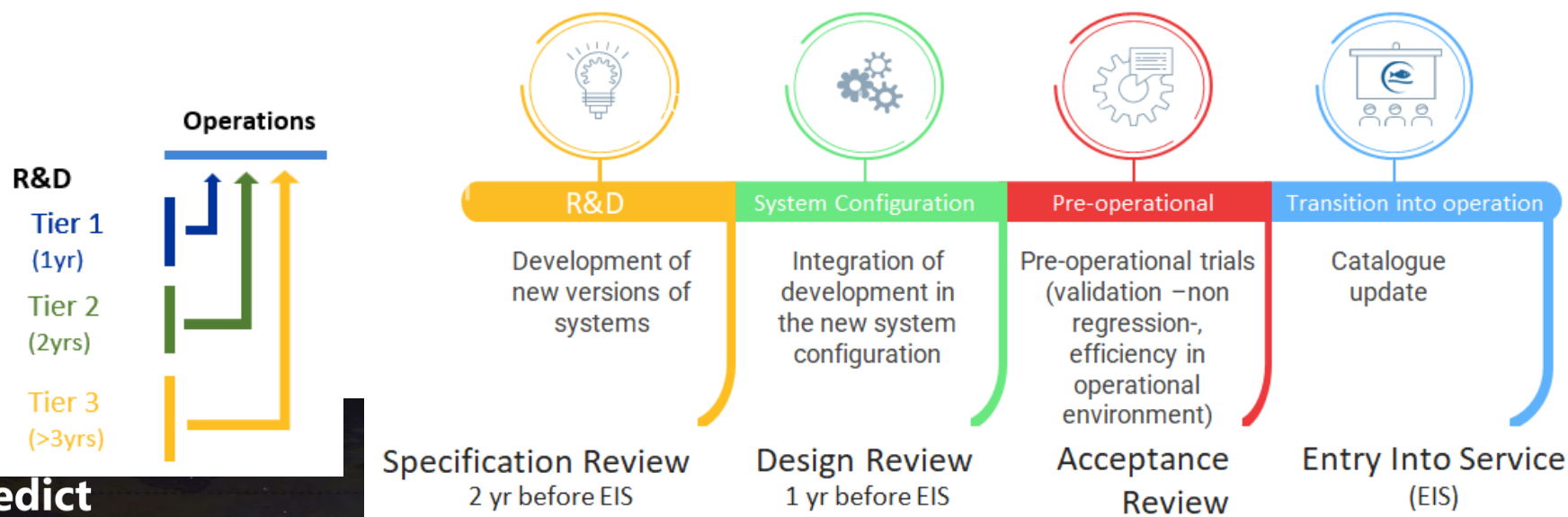
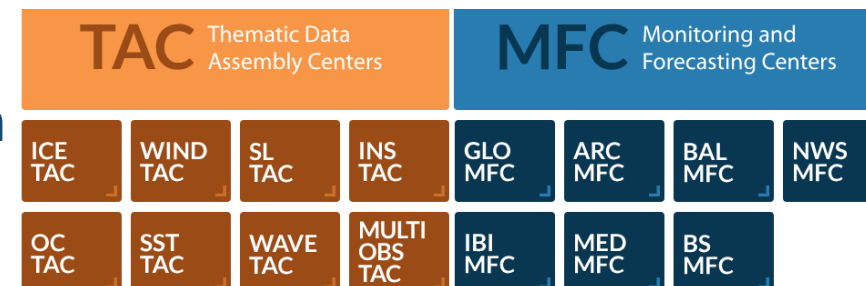
- 3 Streams defined to support Copernicus Marine R&D activities, with different time horizons, players and objectives
- Overall objective: integrate the developments in the operational systems

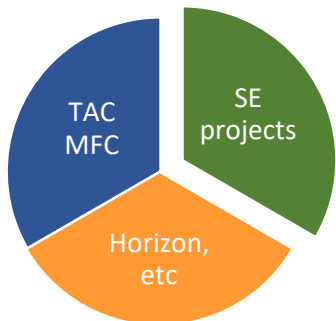




Tier 1 – Short term evolutions : 1 yr

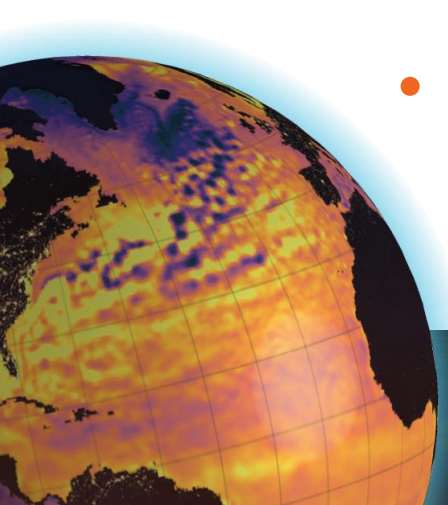
- Addressed within Copernicus Marine through **production centres (TACs, MFCs)** activities resulting in regular updates of the catalogue
- Research-to-operation process** → System/product evolutions managed with a series of formal reviews

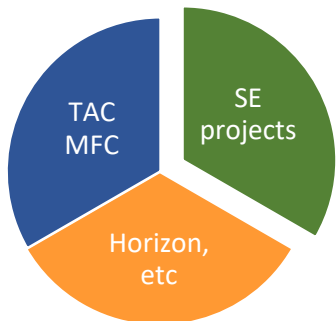




Tier 2 – Mid-term evolutions : 2-3 yrs

- Addressed within Copernicus Marine both through production centres (TACs, MFCs) activities and **open R&D Service Evolution calls**
- Covering topics defined in the **Copernicus Marine Service Evolution Strategy: R&D priorities** document
- R&D Service Evolution projects : significant results in less than 2 years; potential of **concretely** improving the operational service in ~3 years
- **Strong coordination** needed between R&D Service Evolution projects and production centres (TACs, MFCs) to foster the uptake





Tier 2 – 1st call in Copernicus 2

➔ 14 R&D projects selected

• New/Improved products:

- HR/multiresolution coastal OC products (S2&S3) (**MultiRes**)
- POC/DOC surface products for coastal/global ocean (**OCROC**)
- Long timeseries of Phytoplankton Functional Types (**GLOPHYTS**)
- Detection of Sargassum algae (**SODA**)
- Ocean mass from GRACE (+Alti/Argo); Freshwater fluxes (**WAMBOR**)
- Next generation of sea level products (incl. SWOT) (**SLICING**, **4DVarNet**)
- Ocean surface currents from AIS data (**ADEOS**)

• Upgrading/Preparing the next generation of operational systems:

- Advanced data assimilation methodologies (incl. ensemble based, multi-grid) (**ODESSA**, **MULTICAST**)
- Calibration of sea-ice forecasts (**COSI**)
- Coastal zone monitoring (incl. river-ocean interface, wave modelling, risks assessment) (**EstuarIO**, **KAILANI**, **Coastal-risks**)

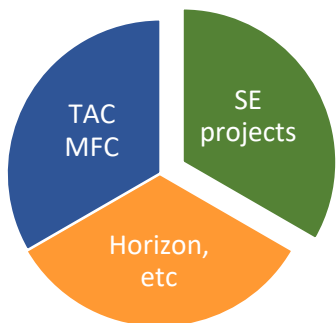
July 2022 -> August 2024

Uptake in Copernicus Marine in following years



<https://marine.copernicus.eu/about/research-development-projects>



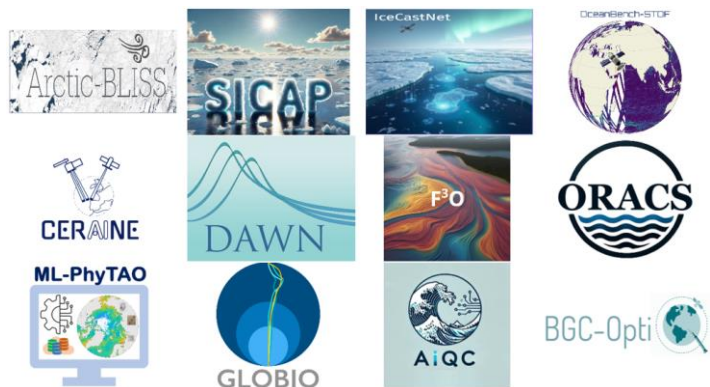


Tier 2 – 2nd call in Copernicus 2



➔ 12 R&D projects selected

Sept 2024 -> Oct 2026



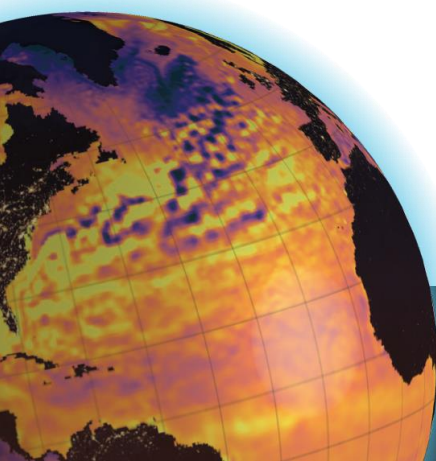
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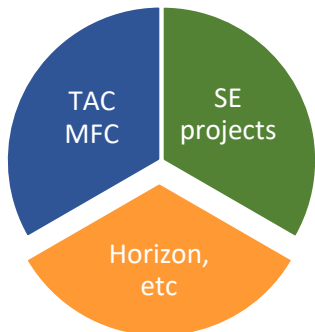
• New/Improved products:

- AI-Enhanced real-time QC of *in-situ* observations (AIQC, BGC-OptiQ)
- Improved BGC-Argo Chla products (BGC-OptiQ)
- AI-based synthetic profiles of Chla, nutrients & carbon (GLOBIO)
- Freshwater fluxes (*in-situ*, GRACE, GloFAS) (F3O)
- Phytoplankton Functional Types in the Arctic (ML-PhyTAO)

• Upgrading/Preparing the next generation of operational systems:

- Improved Arctic predictions (incl. calibration of sea-ice forecasts, AI-based forecasts, predictability&sensitivity study (SICAP, IceCastNet, Arctic-BLISS))
- Improved wave modelling (DAWN, CERAINÉ)
- AI-based forecasts (IceCastNet, OceanBench-STOF, DAWN)
- Ocean reanalysis algorithms for climate studies (ORACS)





Tier 3 – Long-term evolutions : >3 yrs

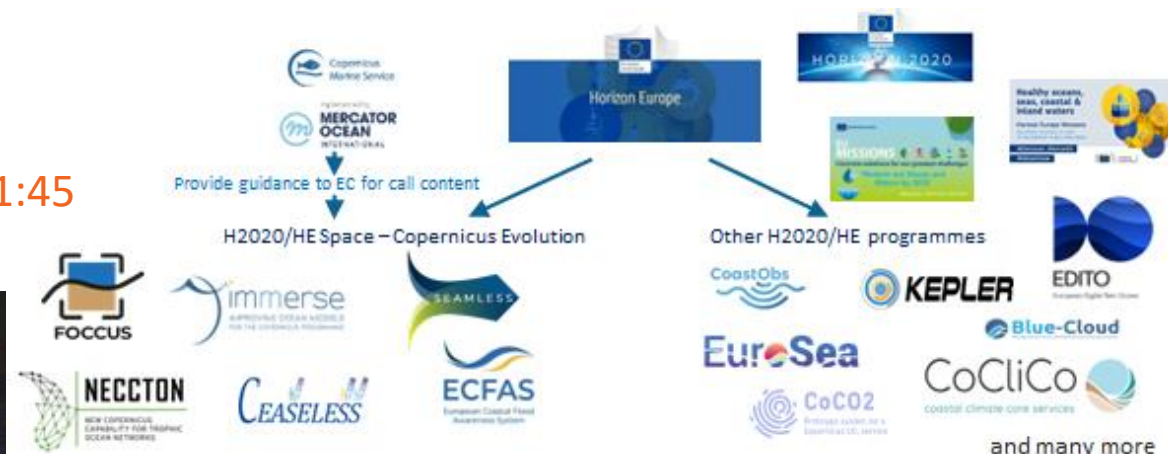
- Required to prepare major evolutions. Addressed externally, with strong links with e.g. H2020/HORIZON Europe/dedicated **HORIZON Copernicus Marine Evolution calls** (expression of needs provided by MOi), ESA, EUMETSAT, national projects.
- Require high-level coordination to prepare and ensure an efficient uptake.

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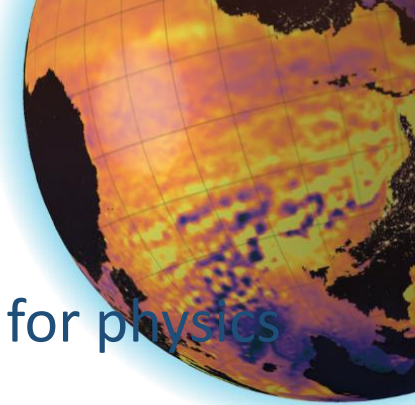
*NECCTON – Stefano, Tuesday, Room IV, 11:00

*FOCCUS – Kelli, poster Tuesday

*EDITO-Model Lab – Yann, Thursday, Room IV, 11:45



A continuously evolving product offer



Copernicus Marine Service: An operational state-of-the-art EU marine service for physics (ocean circulation, waves), sea ice, biogeochemistry, low trophic level

Ambition: remain a marine reference worldwide by creating more “marine value” to foster further the service uptake

Staged implementation driven by user & policy needs, science & technological advances:

- **Continuity of service** with incremental evolution
- Embrace the **new capabilities of digital services** in synergy with Digital Twin Ocean development
- Prepare the implementation of the **next generation of ocean and sea ice monitoring and forecasting** systems and new services for **Coastal and Biology**

Supported by the different Tiers (1, 2 and 3) of R&D and the different actors who contribute to them

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