



# SeaDataNet

*PAN-EUROPEAN INFRASTRUCTURE  
FOR OCEAN & MARINE DATA  
MANAGEMENT*

## *SeaDataNet Products*

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## ***Definition of SeaDataNet products (1/2)***

### **• Collections of observations data**

- Aggregated data set
  - 1 NetCDF file, several zipped ODV files
- Aggregation criterions
  - Per region (i.e. “Sea Basins” defined in Dow)
  - Per parameter
  - Per instrument (differences in accuracy and resolution)
  - Per year
- Include
  - All available data within SeaDataNet
  - With “Open Access” or “SDN Licence”

## ***Definition of SeaDataNet products (2/2)***

### **• Interpolated fields**

- From SeaDataNet “Collections of Observations”  
Some non public data may be added if documented  
(from SeaDataNet consortium : national holdings + ?)
- One field per region / per parameter (P021)
- Fixed grid, constant resolution in lat and lon
- Fixed depth according to the regions  
(harmonization of upper layers?)
- Annual analyses mandatory,  
other temporal resolution optional (depending on data availability)
- 1 NetCDF file per interpolated field

## ***Associated documentation and products access***

- **Products must be described in product catalogue**  
(ISO 19139 standard to be Inspire compliant)
- **For “Collections of Observations”**
  - One map with location of observations at surface accessible via product catalogue
  - Several maps per depth (optionnal)?
- **For “Interpolated fields”**
  - Maps with interpolated field at the different depths accessible via OceanBrowser
  - Maps with estimated error?
- **Downloadable from Ocean Brower and Product Catalogue**
  - Under SeaDataNet license for registered users
  - Repository at ULG?

## ***Priorities for products***

### **• First : Collections of observation data**

**“SeaDataNet is data management oriented”**

- Collections must be fully harmonized and compliant with SeaDataNet procedures  
quality (flags), format, ...
- Collections must demonstrate the “SeaDataNet data collection”  
in relationship with EMODNET?
- (1) T, S, (2) O<sub>2</sub>, Chlorophyl, (3) Nutrients (4) PH, PCO<sub>2</sub>, .... ?
- Only one release required (with an update for (1)?)

### **• Secondly : “Interpolated fields”**

- Main objective : to assess the quality of collections of observed data
- Validation of interpolated fields may be not fully complete (if documented)  
→ to be delegated to associated projects



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## *Technical implementation for data aggregation*

- User interface available now is not efficient for data aggregation at large scale
  - No more 500 results / request
- A new query processor is required
  - Definition of request with specific user's interface (for product managers)
  - Processing of the request in batch mode
  - **“no limit in quantity of data”** even if elapsed time long
  - Back office development is started at Maris
    - “request broker” based on existing monitoring system
  - User interface to be defined and developed (criteria, ...)
  - Available by the end of this year?
    - ➔ definition of interface before end of october
- ODV to assemble retrieved data from all data centres

## *Collaboration with MyOcean?*

- **SeaDataNet services must fit users' needs**
  - Operational Oceanography is one the major users' community of SeaDataNet (especially for T & S)
  - MyOcean is very interested by SeaDataNet products (historical data : climatologies, model validation , hindcast, ...)
  - However :
    - Schedule of MyOcean2 is different from SeaDataNet one  
in-situ data must be ready at beginning of next year
    - SeaDataNet products are available under SeaDataNet licence
    - SeaDataNet products include only data from SeaDataNet partnership
    - MyOcean requires data from worldwide data sources
      - Global scale
      - International countries are active in seas adjacent to Europe
- **MyOcean will have to add other data from international sources to SeaDataNet products**

## ***Possible ways for collaboration***

- **High priority for SeaDataNet to deliver collections of T&S data**  
feasible if batch mode request broker is available for the end of this year?
- Can SeaDataNet and MyOcean collaborate for quality checks? (quality procedures are similar...)
- Can MyOcean collaborate on validation of interpolated fields?
- SeaDataNet products delivered under SeaDataNet licence
- Products with non European data sources delivered under a common license?
- Products access procedures can be the same (product catalogue, Ocean Browser, user registration, ...)