

# Real Time and archived data synergies: toward WIGOS for the ocean observation components



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# Summary



- œ The European marine data streams, real time and delayed mode
- œ The WIGOS system
- œ The JCOMM organization
- œ Suggestion for way forward

# The European marine data flows: Delayed Mode data flow



EEA-WISE  
Marine  
/EIONET

SEADATANET/I  
ODE-ODP

JRC/ Data  
Collection  
Framework for  
Fisheries

Regional  
Conventions  
(UNEP/MAP,  
OSPAR,  
HELCOM)

EMODNET

PROBLEMS:  
Interoperability  
very limited

# Delayed Mode data flow: main users



- ❧ Good Marine Environmental Status Assessment Agencies (EEA, National, etc.)
- ❧ Fisheries
- ❧ Science/Research/Innovation (Climate etc.)
- ❧ Ocean Forecasting Centers for re-analysis
- ❧ Environmental Impact and risk consultancy
- ❧ Offshore industry (coastal construction engineering, traditional and renewable energy, etc.)
- ❧ .....

# The European marine data flows: Real Time data flow



National coastal  
systems  
(comprehensive of  
tide gauges)

MyOcean/TAC  
system

EuroGOOS/ROO  
SEs

GTS WMO data

## PROBLEMS:

Data Telemetry still very limited  
Data Assembly Centers  
should be very distributed but  
harmonized

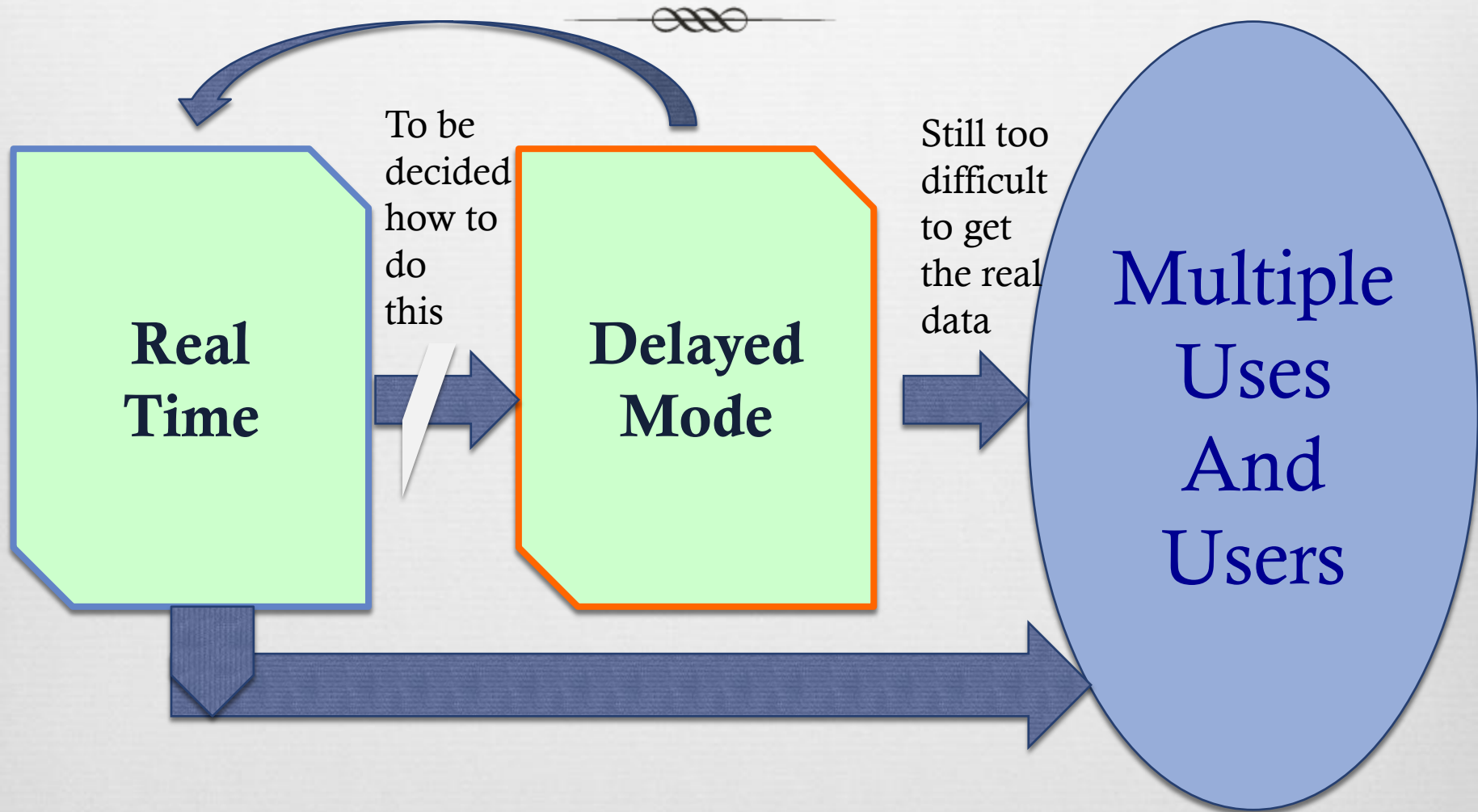


# Real Time data Users



- œ Ocean Forecasting Centers
- œ Emergency management at sea
- œ Maritime transport
- œ Coastal flooding early warning systems
- œ Tsunamis warning systems
- œ Meteorological Offices
- œ Science
- œ ....

# The two 'data streams' relationship



# The problems for both RT and DM data



- ∞ Data Telemetry still very limited (need for an improved ARGOS system, ORBCOMM or Iridium)
- ∞ Data Assembly Centers do not agree on a unique standard and protocols to archive the data (from real time and data rescue activities)
- ∞ Still little interoperability between ocean observations and Marine Meteorological Observations within WWW system



# WIGOS: WMO Global Observing System



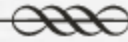
- ❧ WIGOS will be an integrated, comprehensive, and coordinated system primarily comprising the surface-based and space-based observing components of the GOS, GAW, GCW, and WHYCOS, plus all WMO contributions to GCOS, GOOS and GTOS.
- ❧ It should be noted that in contrast to the primarily NMHS owned observing systems upon which the WWW was built, the proposed WIGOS component observing systems are owned and operated by a diverse array of organizations, both research and operational.
- ❧ In particular, strengthening the interaction between research and operational observing communities is important for sustaining and evolving observing systems and practices, in line with new science and technology outcomes

# WIGOS list of observations



- ❧ Surface synoptic stations (Land and Sea stations);
- ❧ Upper-air synoptic stations;
- ❧ Aircraft meteorological stations;
- ❧ Aeronautical meteorological stations;
- ❧ Research and special-purpose vessel stations;
- ❧ Climatological stations;
- ❧ GCOS Surface Network (GSN);

# WIGOS list of observations



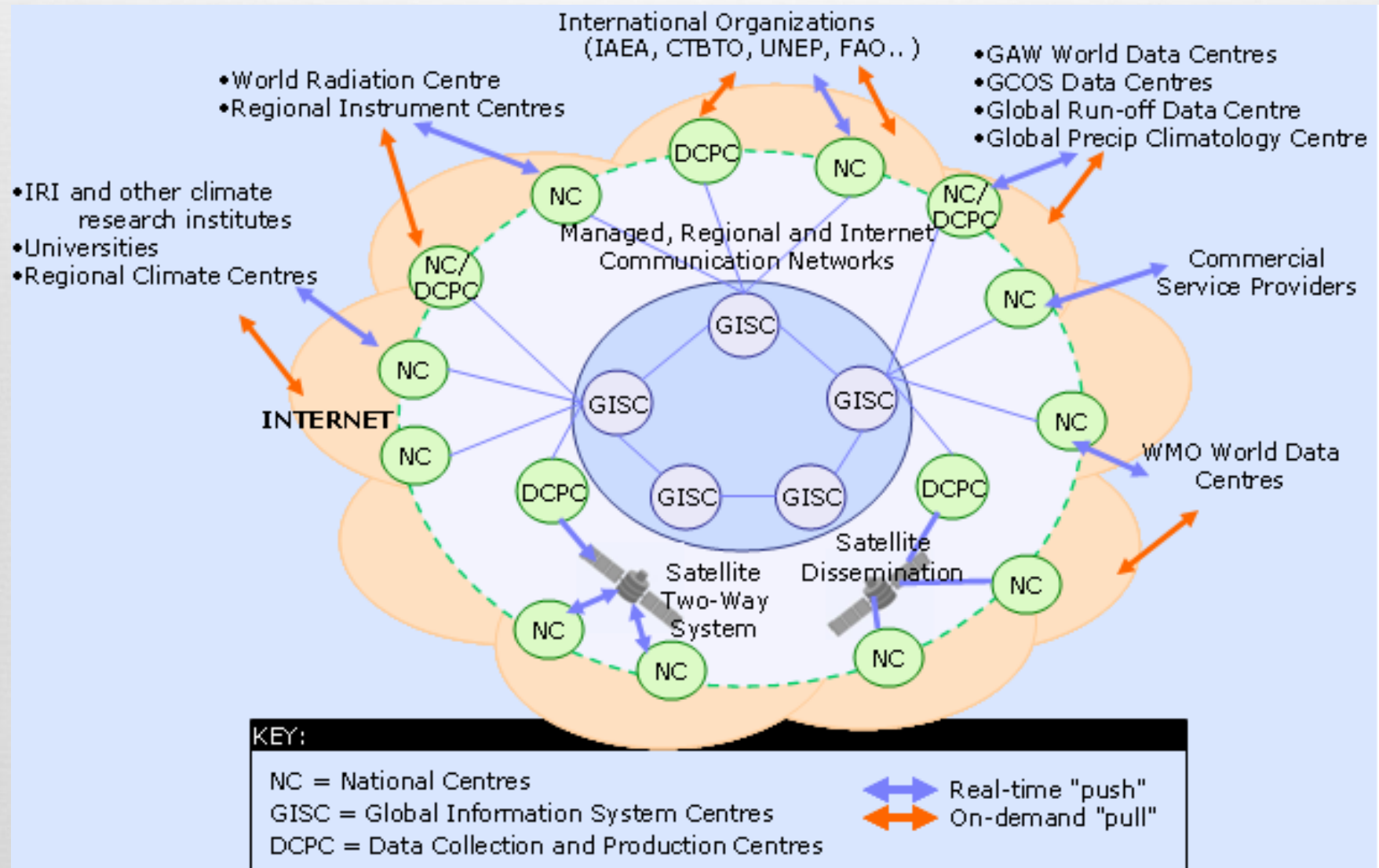
- ❧ Agricultural meteorological stations;
- ❧ Hydrological stations;
- ❧ Special stations, that include:
  - ❧ Weather radar stations;
  - ❧ Radiation stations;
  - ❧ Wind profiler stations;
  - ❧ Atmospheric detection stations (lightning detection network stations);
  - ❧ Micrometeorological flux stations;
  - ❧ Plant phenology observation stations;

# WIGOS list of observations



- ❧ Meteorological rocket stations;
- ❧ Global Atmosphere Watch (GAW) stations;
- ❧ Global Cryosphere Watch stations;
- ❧ Planetary boundary-layer stations;
- ❧ Data buoys (drifting and moored) and ocean surface gliders;
- ❧ Ocean profiling floats and sub-surface gliders;
- ❧ Ship-based observations (surface marine, oceanographic, and upper-air);
- ❧ Tide-gauge stations; and
- ❧ Tsunami monitoring stations.

# WMO Information system: the connection of RT with DM data centers (loose)



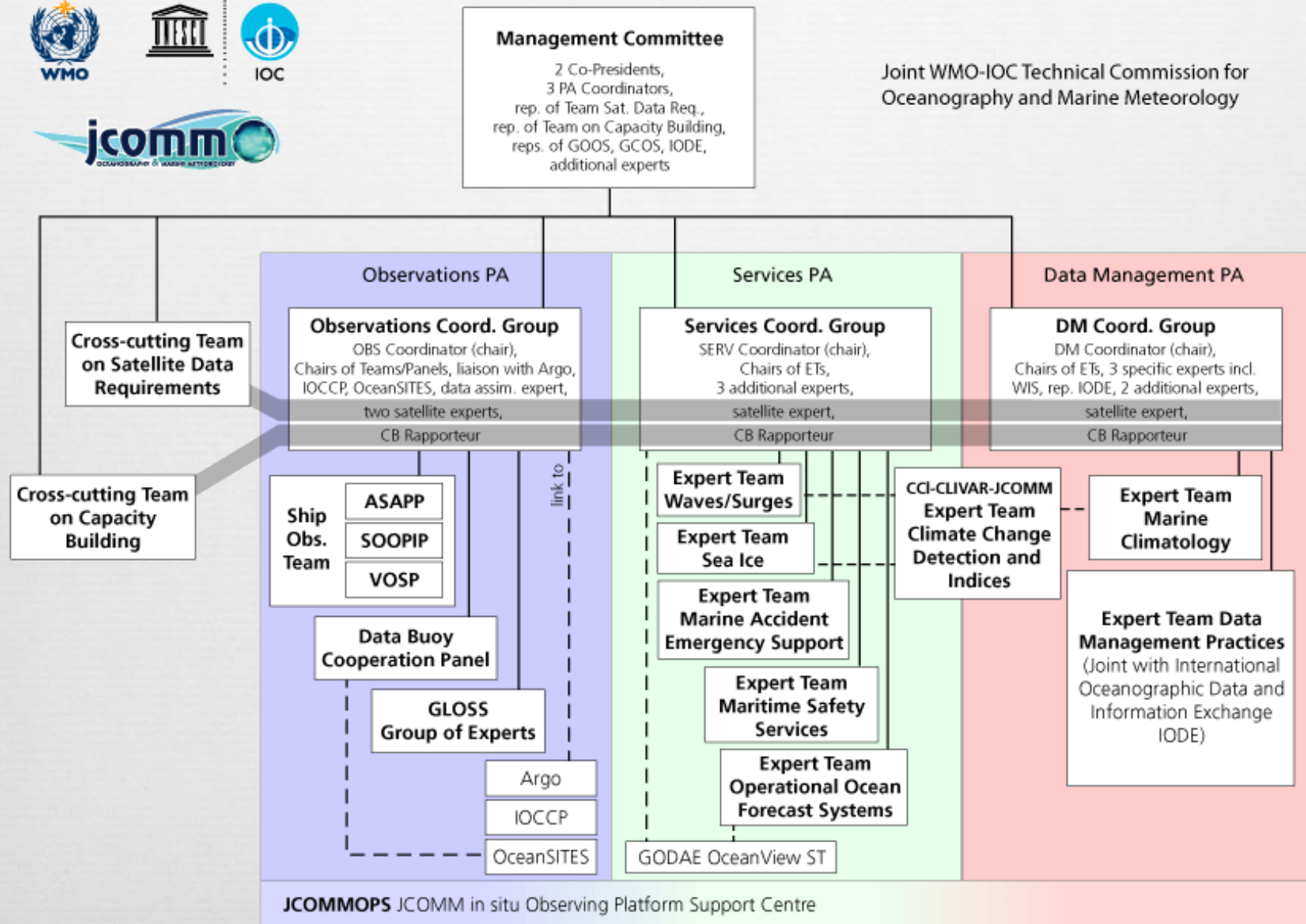


# Problems with WIGOS



- ❧ Still too 'physics oriented' and open ocean: need to insert multidisciplinary and focus on advanced technologies available (gliders, HF radars, etc.)
- ❧ Not a clear path on how to connect the meteo and the ocean information systems
- ❧ Not a clear vision of the oceanographic users, still very technology driven
- ❧ Not interoperable with other marine data systems (environ. Protection agency, regional conventions, etc.)

# The JCOMM organization



# JCOMM opportunities



- ❧ Combine meteo and ocean data collection systems, information systems and connect to services
- ❧ Connect between satellite and in situ data
- ❧ Develop the concept of GOOS Regional Alliances (GRA) to organize the participation to WIGOS

# The way forward: suggestions



- œ Leave the data assembly system of the two streams separate but fix the protocols of communication between them (periodic update of the DM assembled data)
- œ For DM:
  - œ focus on amount of data (rescue) easily available and on multidisciplinary
  - œ focus on the re-use of the data for multiple users, further develop applications (DIVA, DVT)
  - œ show the complementarity between satellite and in situ data, develop new reconstructions algorithms
  - œ Try to connect to regional conventions (Helcom, Ospar and Unep/Map) and try to develop products for them

# A possible strategy: evaluation of fitness for purpose

