

Towards a European Blue Cloud for management, discovery, access, and analyses of marine and ocean data

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Oceans and seas are important



Climate, Energy, Food, Tourism, Shipping, Health,



Marine data relevant for many uses:

- Scientific Research to gain knowledge and insight
- Monitoring and assessment (water quality, climate status, stock assessment)
- Coastal Zone Management
- Modelling (including hindcast, now-cast, forecast)
- Dimensioning and supporting operations and activities at sea (shipping, offshore industry, dredging industry, ..)
- Implementation and execution of marine conventions for protection of the seas
- Implementation of international Directives, such as in Europe directives for water (WFD), marine strategy (MSFD), coastal zone management

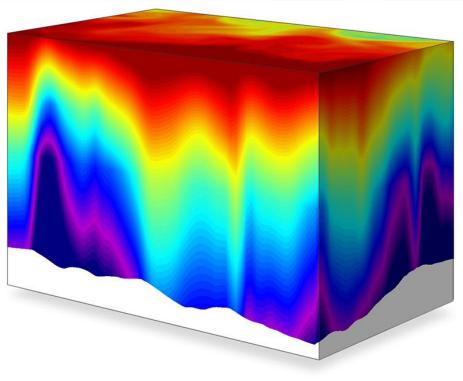


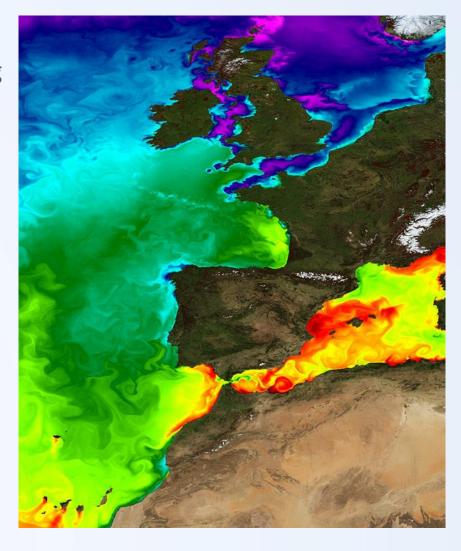
Users originate from government, science sector, and industry, nationally and internationally



Input for models: analyses and forecasts:

- Operational oceanography
- Physical and meteorological modelling
- Ecosystem modelling





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Acquisition of ocean and marine data





Economy of data acquisition

- Data are collected by governments, research institutes, and private industry (in Europe already more than 1.000 organisations)
- Data for physics, geophysics, meteorology, chemistry, biology, geology, bathymetry
- Acquisition of oceanographic and marine data is expensive; annual costs in Europe estimated at 1.4 Billion Euro (1.0 = in-situ; 0.4 = satellites)



Professional data management is required with agreements on standardisation, quality control protocols, long term archiving, catalogues, and access



What is SeaDataNet?



A pan-European infrastructure set up and operated for managing marine and ocean data in cooperation with the NODCs and data focal points of 34 countries bordering the European seas

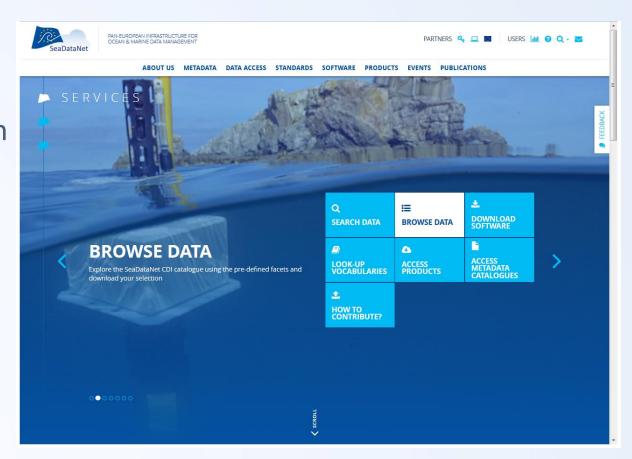
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2002-2005	Sea-Search (FP5)		
2006-2011	SeaDataNet (FP6)		
2011-2015	SeaDataNet II (FP7)		
2016-2020	SeaDataCloud (H2020)		



SeaDataNet portal

Giving access to

- Standards, tools both for data centres and other users
- Data and metadata
- Products



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SeaDataNet standards

- Set of common standards for the marine domain, adapting ISO and OGC standards and achieving INSPIRE compliance
 - Adoption of ISO 19115 19139 standard for describing metadata on data sets, research cruises, monitoring networks, and research projects
 => marine metadata profiles, schemas, schematron rules
 - Controlled vocabularies for the marine domain (>65,000 terms in 82 lists), with international governance and web services
 - Standard data exchange formats: ODV ASCII and NetCDF (CF) fully supported by controlled vocabularies
- Maintenance and dissemination of standard QA-QC procedures, together with IOC/IODE and ICES







SeaDataNet services and tools

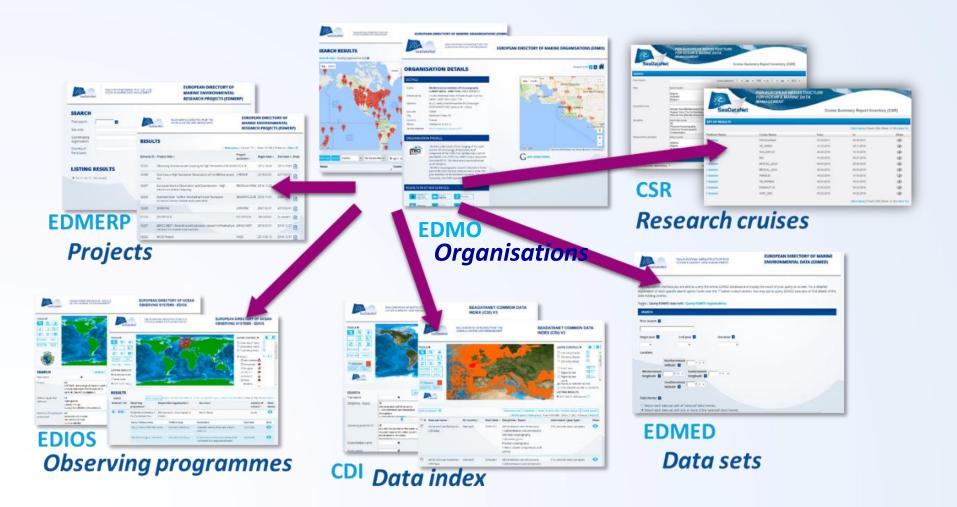
- **Set of tools** to be used each data centre and freely available from the SeaDataNet portal: metadata editor, data conversion software, data analysis software (ODV), data interpolation software (DIVA)
- Capacity building by training workshops for uptake of standards and tools by the data centres in order to achieve standardisation



- Pan-European services for harmonised discovery, access, visualisation of data and data products
- Common SeaDataNet Data Policy and License

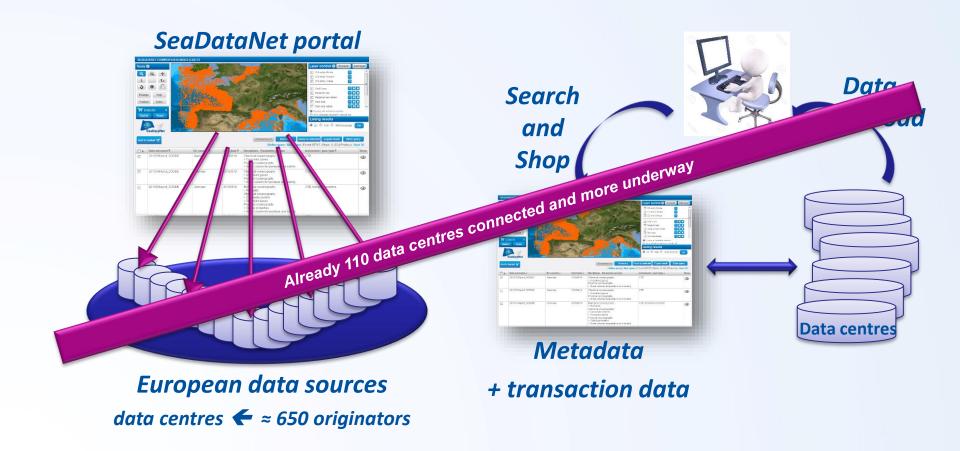


Pan-European metadata directories



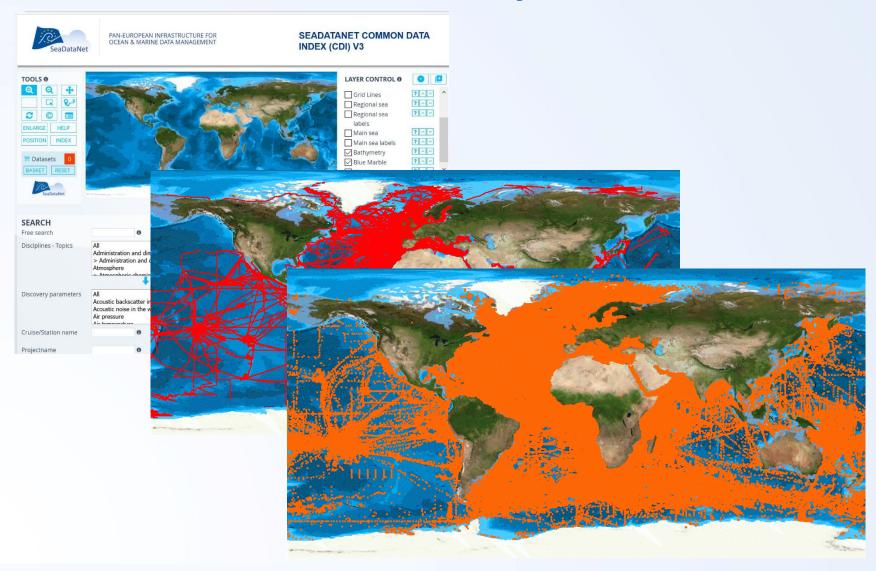


CDI Data Discovery and Access service





SeaDataCloud CDI Data Discovery and Access service





SeaDataNet cooperation

- Copernicus Marine Environmental Monitoring Services (CMEMS): providing long-term archives and standards
- Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD): providing infrastructure, standards and data collections for several indicators
- Large ocean monitoring systems (EuroGOOS, AtlantOS, Euro-ARGO, JERICO-Next, ..): providing standards and validation + long-term archiving services
- Ocean Data Interoperability Platform (ODIP): exploring and demonstrating common standards and interoperability with leading data management infrastructures in USA and Australia
- GEOSS EuroGEOSS: Maintaining the GEOSS portal with SeaDataNet insitu data collections from large community of European data holders (> 100 data centres; >600 data originators)
- European Open Science Cloud (EOSC): shaping the pilot Blue Cloud
- European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODNet) driven by Marine Knowledge 2020 and Blue Growth



SeaDataNet and EMODnet

- EU initiative for an overarching European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODNet) driven by Marine Knowledge 2020 and Blue Growth
- SeaDataNet qualified as a leading infrastructure for the EMODnet data management component and is driving several thematic portals from the start in 2008
- 'Bottom-up meets top-down'
- This synergy has resulted in many more data centres adopting SeaDataNet standards and connecting to the CDI Data Discovery and Access service while it gave a flying start to EMODnet

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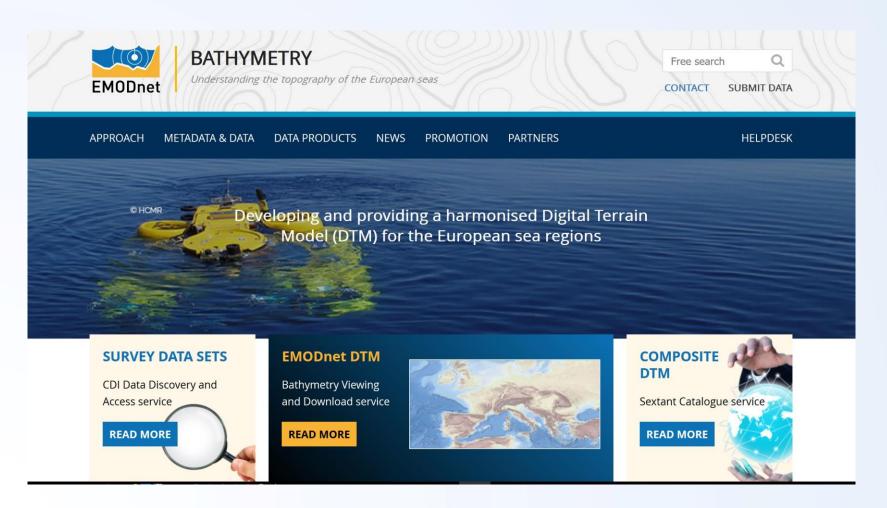


EMODnet thematic portals

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Bathymetry	Geology	Seabed Habitats	Chemistry	Biology	Physics	Human activities
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Minimum cell water depth	Seabed substrate	Data on modelled seabed habitats	Pesticides & Biocides	Biomass	Waves	Aggregate Extraction
Maximum cell	Sediment accumulation rate	(depth, seabed substrate, broad	Antifoulants	Abundance	Water temperature	Dredging
water depth	Sea-floor geology	scale biological zone, T, S, light,	Phamaceuticals	Gridded Abundance maps	Water salinity/conductivit	Fisheries
Average cell water depth	Seabed lithology	oxygen, energy due to waves & current)	Heavy Metals	species groups:	y/density	Hydrocarbon Extraction
Standard deviation	Stratigraphy		Hydrocarbons	• phytoplankton	Currents	Main Ports
of cell water depth	Coastline	Broad-scale physical habitat	Radionuclides	• zooplankton	Light attenuation/ fluorescence	Mariculture Ocean Energy
Number of values used for interpolation of cell	migration Aggregate	map	Fertilizers	• angiosperms	Sea level	Facilities
water depth	resources	Detailed habitat maps from surveys	Acidity	macro-algae	Atmospheric parameters	Pipelines and Cables
Horizontal coordinate	Geological events	Individual habitat modelling outputs	Dissolved Gasses	 invertebrate bottom fauna 	Wind	Protected Areas
reference system		Habitat point data	Plastics	• birds	Underwater noise	Waste Disposal
Depth reference system			Marine Litter Beach litter Seafloor litter	• mammals	Rivers	Wind Farms
Lowest Astronomical Tide			Micro litter	• reptiles	Ice	Other Forms of Area Management /
Astronomical fide			Chlorophyll Silicates Organic Matter	• Fish		Designation



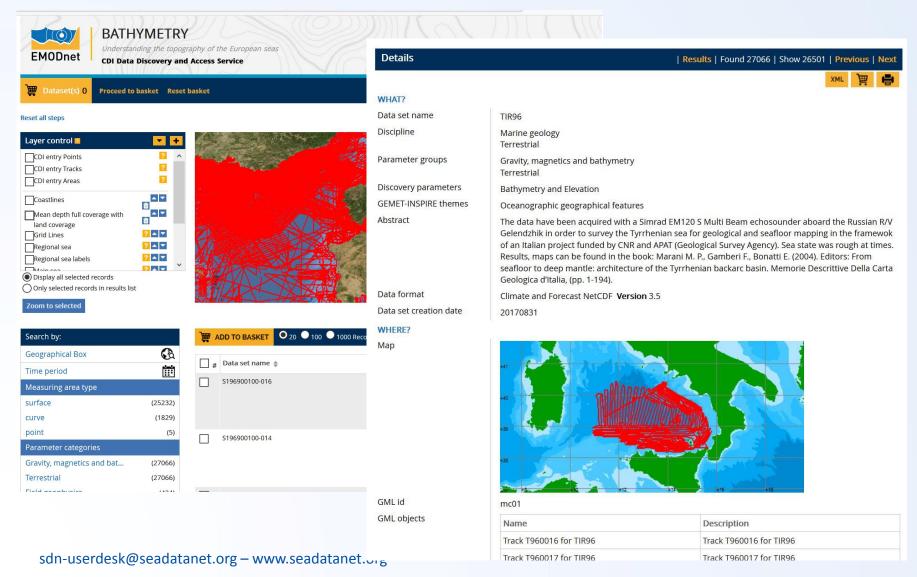
EMODnet Bathymetry portal



www.emodnet-bathymetry.eu

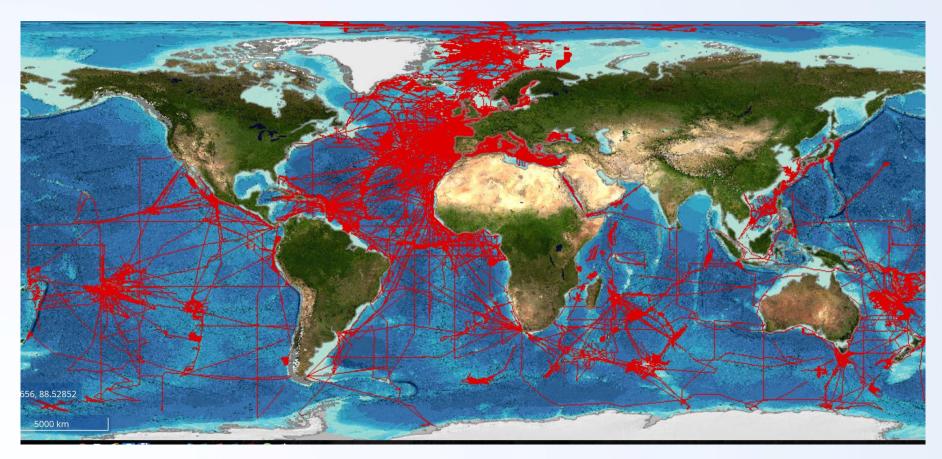


Bathymetry CDI data discovery and access service





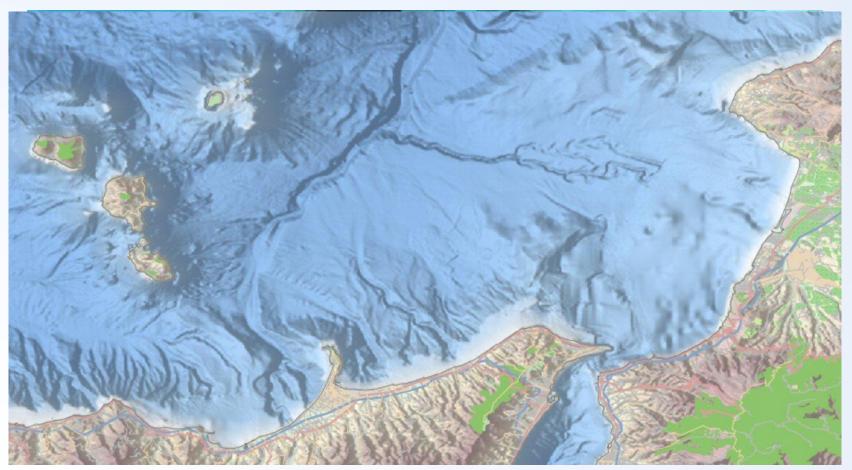
Bathymetry – gathered data



> 25.000 survey data sets from European data providers indexed in the CDI data discovery and access service



EMODnet Bathymetry DTM



> 7000 survey data sets used to generate and provide a harmonized and higher resolution digital terrain model for all European seas – comparison with GEBCO

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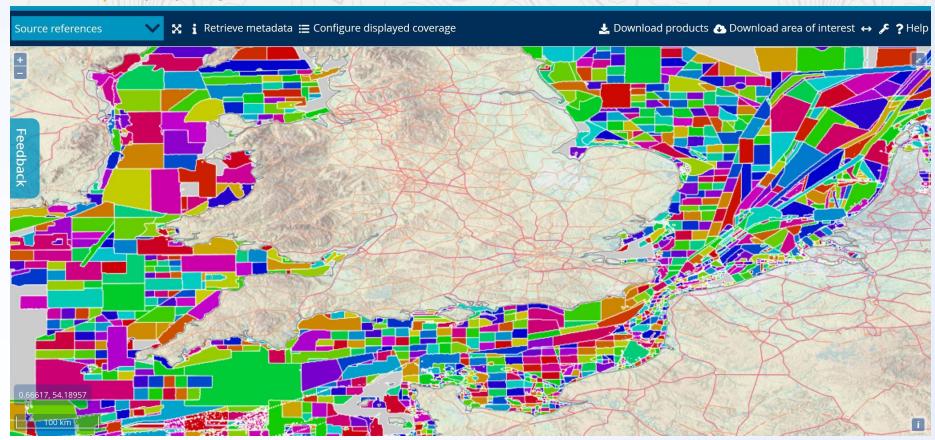
Bathymetry – Source reference map



BATHYMETRY

Understanding the topography of the European seas

Bathymetry Viewing and Download service

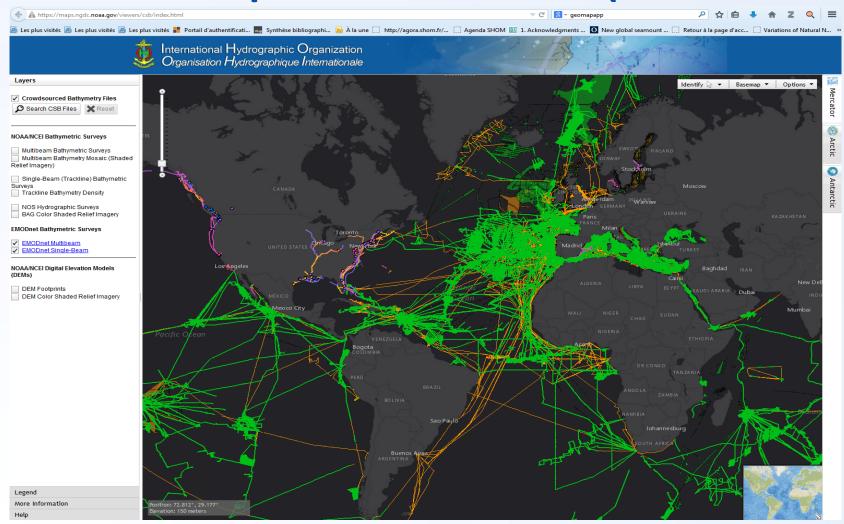


Indicating which survey data sets were used for each DTM grid cell, including links to the full metadata

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Cooperation with USA (NOAA – NCEI)



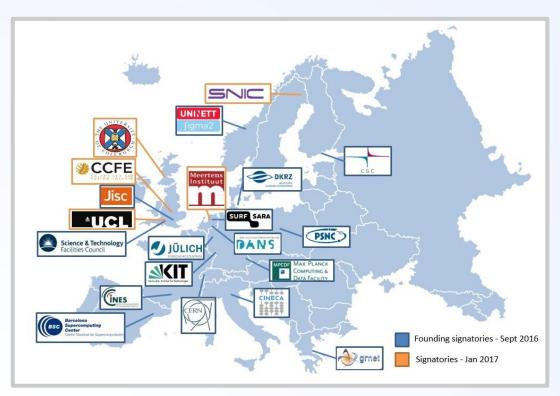


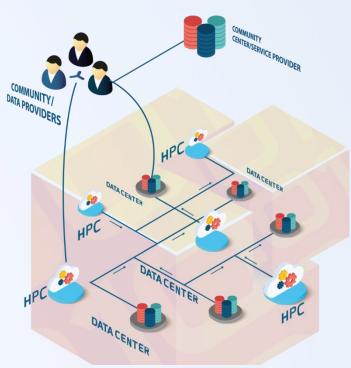
SeaDataCloud a new opportunity

- Standards and information technology are always evolving, there is a move towards cloud storage and cloud computing, and the SeaDataNet infrastructure must stay up-to-date to maintain and further expand its services to its leads customers and major stakeholders
- SeaDataCloud project, started Nov 2016 with 4 year run and 10 Meuro funding
- A strategic and operational cooperation between the SeaDataNet consortium of marine and ocean data centres and the EUDAT consortium of e-infrastructure service providers



Cooperation with EUDAT





5 EUDAT members are partners of SeaDataCloud : CINECA, CSC, DKRZ, GRNET and STFC

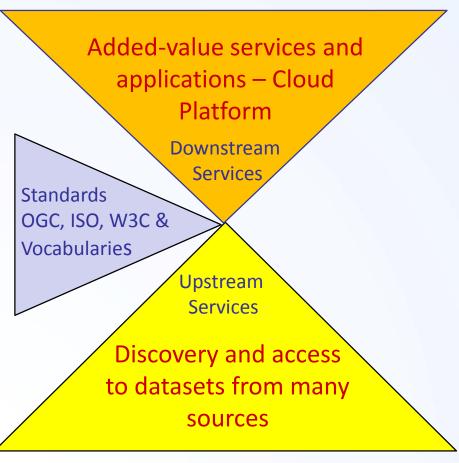


What is it about?

- SDC is about updating and further developing standards
- SDC is about improving and innovating services & products
- SDC is about adopting and elaborating new technologies
- SDC is about giving more attention to users and putting the user experience in a central position
- SDC is also about developing a Virtual Research
 Environment (VRE) bringing data and applications
 together in the cloud and serving users



Towards a Blue Cloud as blue print for the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)



- Cloud platform with common services for data pre-processing, analyses, visualizations, publishing, DOIs...
- Applying common standards and interoperability solutions for providing harmonised data and metadata
- Providing harmonised discovery and access to data output from multiple sources, European and international