



# SeaDataCloud

## SeaDataNet Vocabularies and Linked Data principles applied to SeaDataNet directories

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## Common vocabulary developments

- Collective aim of progressing the web of common controlled vocabularies underpinning the SeaDataNet infrastructure
- Adoption of prescribed, standardised terms **removes ambiguity** and encourages **greater interoperability** (including machine-to-machine exchange of information)
- SeaDataNet vocabularies provided by NERC Vocabulary Server (NVS), managed by BODC.

### Following slides will address:

- i) Improving user experience for adding and searching for parameter codes
- ii) Enhancements to the vocab system, to improve robustness/resilience
- iii) Increase in vocabulary content.

## Operationalising the Vocabulary Builder

- Exposing the semantic building blocks of key NVS Vocabulary Collections (e.g. P01) enables i) **improved search capability** and ii) vocabulary **content growth**, driven by community
- Prototype Vocabulary Builder developed under EMODnet Chemistry, exposing concepts under P01 chemical semantic model
- SeaDataCloud has enabled expansion to include biological and physical semantic models, following extensive re-modelling of underlying infrastructure.



- P01 is a **compound vocabulary**
- Concept labels are created from concatenation of concept labels from other vocabularies...

Measurement Property

Chemical Substance

Measurement Matrix Relationship

Matrix

For example:

**Activity** of **americium-241** {**241Am** CAS **14596-10-2** } **per unit dry weight** of **sediment**



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## P01 Biological Entity Parameter Code Builder [help](#)

Preferred label

[show/hide exact results](#) | [reset all](#)

Found **10409** exact matches

Select a measurement property

Select a statistical qualifier (if applicable)

Select a primary biological entity

Select a secondary biological entity (if applicable)

Select a measurement-matrix relationship

Select a matrix

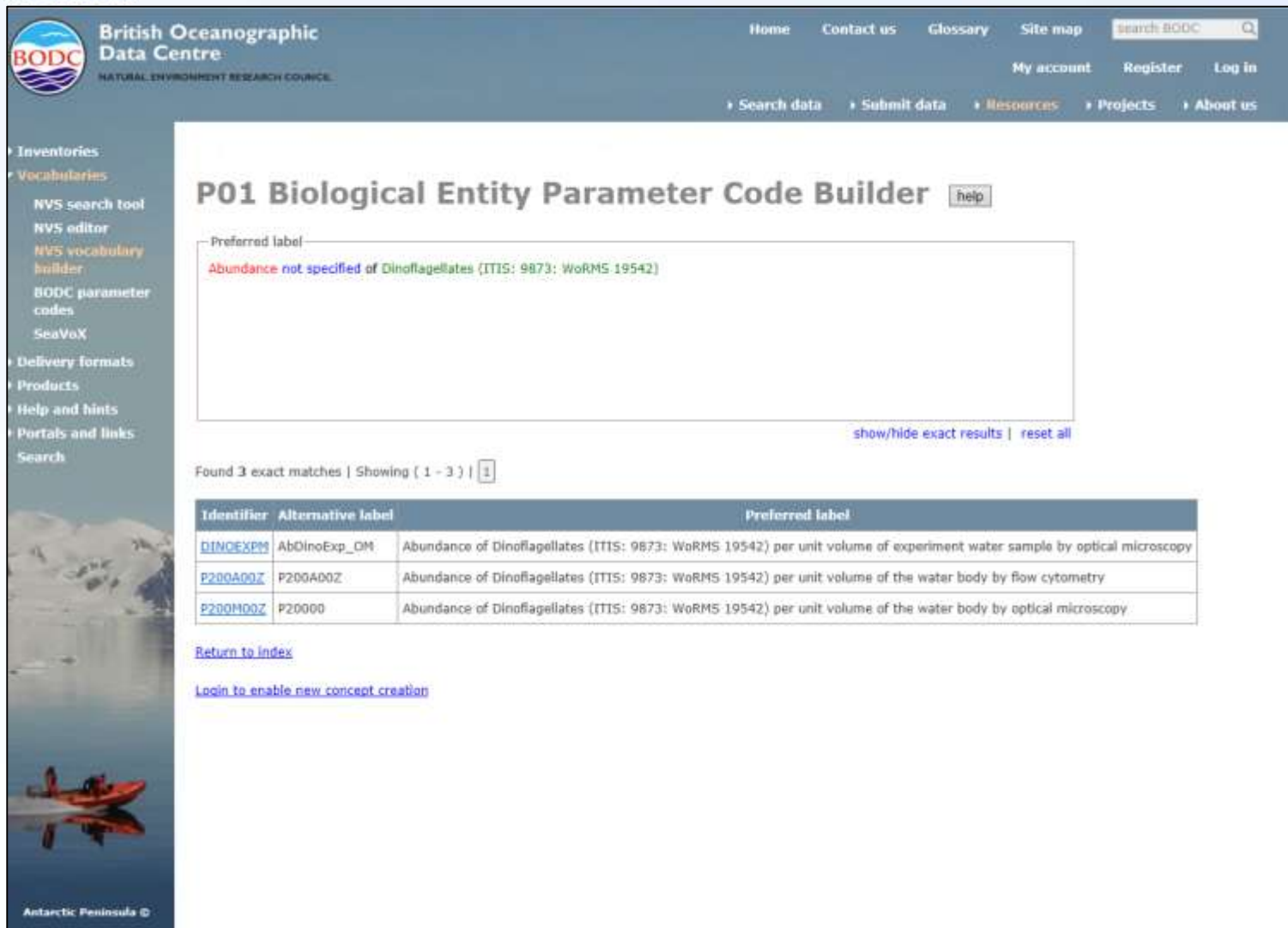
Select a sample preparation (if applicable)

Select an analytical method (if applicable)

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**P01 Biological Entity Parameter Code Builder** [help](#)

Preferred label:  
Abundance not specified of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542)

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Found 3 exact matches | Showing ( 1 - 3 ) | 1

Identifier	Alternative label	Preferred label
<a href="#">DINOEXPM</a>	AbDinoExp_OM	Abundance of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542) per unit volume of experiment water sample by optical microscopy
<a href="#">P200A00Z</a>	P200A00Z	Abundance of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542) per unit volume of the water body by flow cytometry
<a href="#">P200M00Z</a>	P20000	Abundance of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542) per unit volume of the water body by optical microscopy

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## P01 Biological Entity Parameter Code Builder [help](#)

Preferred label

Abundance not specified of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542) per unit volume of water body by sieving and picking under an optical microscope and autofluorescence microscopy and subtraction of Synechococcus+Prochlorococcus from total bacteria


[show/hide close match results](#) | [reset all](#)

Found 0 exact matches

Found 2 close matches

✓ Select a measurement property
✓ Select a statistical qualifier (if applicable)
✓ Select a primary biological entity
Select a secondary biological entity (if applicable)
✓ Select a measurement-matrix relationship
✓ Select a matrix
✓ Select a sample preparation (if applicable)
✓ Select an analytical method (if applicable)
✓ Select a post-analysis processing (if applicable)

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## P01 Biological Entity Parameter Code Builder new term request [help](#)

Submission request for preferred label

Abundance of Dinoflagellates (ITIS: 9873; WoRMS 19542) per unit volume of the water body by sieving and picking under an optical microscope and autofluorescence microscopy and subtraction of Synechococcus+Prochlorococcus from total bacteria


Comments (optional) (max 300 characters)

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## MARIS search facet:

- Alternative (and complementary) SeaDataNet-branded interface for lookup of SeaDataNet common vocabularies
- Drill down catalogue enabling lookup of terms



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**P01 VOCABULARY - FACET SEARCH ON SEMANTIC COMPONENTS**

The P01 Parameter Usage Vocabulary is based on a semantic model. This model uses a defined set of controlled vocabularies (the semantic components). The Facet Search below facilitates you to search for specific existing P01 terms using components for drilling down.

Are you missing specific P01 terms in the vocabulary, then you can compose and submit new terms for review and uptake using the [P01 Vocabulary Builder tool](#).

**Filter Search**  
 You searched for  
[Reset all](#)  
[Concentration](#) ☒  
[cadmium](#) ☒  
[Dissolved metal concentrations in the water column](#) ☒  
**FREE SEARCH**  
   
**MATRICES (526)** ☒  
[water body \(dissolved plu](#) (7)  
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[water body \(dissolved plu](#) (4)  
[water body \(dissolved plu](#) (4)  
[water body \(dissolved plu](#) (1)  
**MEASUREMENT-MATRIX RELATIONSHIP (502)**  
[per unit volume of the](#) (13)  
[per unit mass of the](#) (9)  
**SAMPLE PREPARATION METHOD (503)**  
[filtration, acidification](#) (10)  
[filtration](#) (3)  
[diffusive gel thin-film \(DG](#) (2)  
[filtration, acidification, ch](#) (2)

Found 24 Show (1-24) [Prev](#) [Next](#) **DECOMPOSED-EXPORT** **EXPORT**


Conceptid (24)	Prelabel
CD04ICP2	Concentration of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.4/0.45um phase] by filtration, acidification and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry
CD04ICP3	Concentration standard deviation of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.4/0.45um phase] by filtration, acidification and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry
CDAPWC01	Concentration of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit volume of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <unknown phase]
CDCCI01	Concentration of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit volume of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.2um phase] by filtration, acidification, chelation, solvent extraction and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry
CDCONIC3	Concentration uncertainty of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.2um phase] by filtration, acidification and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry
CDCONICP	Concentration of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.2um phase] by filtration, acidification and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry
CDKGTIM5	Concentration of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.2um phase] by filtration and thermal ionization mass spectrometry
CDSDKGI5	Concentration standard deviation of cadmium (Cd CAS 7440-43-9) per unit mass of the water body [dissolved plus reactive particulate <0.2um phase] by filtration, acidification and inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry

## Improving the transparency of the vocabulary governance model

- Need highlighted by Research Data Alliance (RDA) Vocabularies Services Interest Group (VSIG)
- Will help ensure **ongoing confidence** in NVS vocabulary services, essential for mark up of SeaDataNet information assets

### Solution:

- 1) Creation of publically-visible **GitHub repositories** for key NVS vocabularies, capturing discussions and decisions
- 2) Extension of the NVS database to formally link to these
- 3) Exposure of the extended NVS infrastructure by means of NVS RESTful, SOAP and SPARQL public services.



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Find a repository... | Type: All

**L22**

Updated on Oct 12

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**S04**

A controlled vocabulary for the analytical method entity used in the BODC P01 Parameter Usage Vocabulary.

Updated on Sep 27

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**W03**

SensorML History Event Types

Updated on Sep 27

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**P06**

A controlled vocabulary for BODC-approved units of measurement.

Updated on Sep 27

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**ICES-NVS\_mappings**

Updated on May 1

title-:	<b>BODC parameter semantic model relationships between what theme and where theme</b>
alternative-:	<b>Where/what relationships</b>
description-:	<b>Terms used to describe the relationship between the 'where theme' and the 'what theme' in the BODC semantic model for measured phenomena descriptions.</b>
date-:	<b>2018-10-02 02:00:04.0</b>
publisher-:	<b>Natural Environment Research Council</b>
creator-:	<b>British Oceanographic Data Centre</b>
versionInfo-:	<b>15</b>
RE_RegisterManager:	<b>British Oceanographic Data Centre</b>
RE_RegisterOwner:	<b>British Oceanographic Data Centre</b>
comment-:	<b>Governance for vocabularies used within the data centre</b>
see also-:	<a href="https://github.com/nvs-vocabs/S02">https://github.com/nvs-vocabs/S02</a>
<b>!! -- attached to the --</b>	
URI	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/S02/current/S021/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/S02/current/S021/</a>
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Preferred label (an)	<b>attached to the</b>
Alternative label {}	
Version Info {}	1
Has Current Version	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/S02/current/S021/1/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/S02/current/S021/1/</a>
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PAV Authored On {}	2006-04-06 16:04:00.0
Definition {}	
Deprecated {}	false
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Related	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P01/current/BATTMAPZ/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P01/current/BATTMAPZ/</a>
Date {}	2006-04-06 16:04:00.0

## Vocabulary deprecation

- Establishing rules for handling deprecation in SeaDataNet
- Each concept has a URI, which must be preserved in the event of that term being deprecated
- Software needs to know if handling a deprecated term and take appropriate action

### **Agreed rules:**

- Always having a 'replace by' term before deprecation is permitted
- User experience should not be compromised – automatic replacement of deprecated terms by SeaDataNet Download Manager, with report back to Data Centre to update local filestock

🔍 -- mass_concentration_of_pm10_ambient_aerosol_in_air --	
URI	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/DIEJIDDA/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/DIEJIDDA/</a>
Identifier ()	SDN:P07::DIEJIDDA
Preferred label (en)	<b>mass_concentration_of_pm10_ambient_aerosol_in_air</b>
Alternative label ()	
Definition (en)	Mass concentration means mass per unit volume and is used in the construction mass_concentration_of_X_in_Y, where X is a material constituent of Y. A chemical species denoted by X may be described by a single term such as &apos;nitrogen&apos; or a phrase such as &apos;nox_expressed_as_nitrogen&apos;. "Aerosol" means the suspended liquid or solid particles in air (except cloud droplets). "Ambient aerosol" is aerosol that has taken up ambient water through hygroscopic growth. The extent of hygroscopic growth depends on the relative humidity and the composition of the aerosol. "Pm10 aerosol" is an air pollutant with an aerodynamic diameter of less than or equal to 10 micrometers. To specify the relative humidity and temperature at which the particle size applies, provide scalar coordinate variables with the standard names of, respectively, "relative_humidity" and "air_temperature."
Version Info ()	2
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Has Version	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/DIEJIDDA/1/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/DIEJIDDA/1/</a>
PAV Version ()	2
PAV Authored On ()	2015-01-07 15:23:09.0
Deprecated()	true
ReplacedBy	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/6O34XRFW/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/6O34XRFW/</a>
Same as	<a href="http://mmisw.org/ont/cf/parameter/mass_concentration_of_pm10_ambient_aerosol_in_air">http://mmisw.org/ont/cf/parameter/mass_concentration_of_pm10_ambient_aerosol_in_air</a>
Related	<a href="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P06/current/UKMC/">http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P06/current/UKMC/</a>
Date ()	2015-01-07 15:23:09.0

- Further software upgrades may be necessary now these rules have been established.

# Versioning of concepts

- Enhancement allowing user access to previous versions of individual NVS concepts
- Agreed URI model:
- <http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/CF12N86/>
  - Brings the current concept version
- <http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/CF12N86/1/>
  - Brings concept version 1
- <http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/CF12N86/2/>
  - Brings concept version 2
- <http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P07/current/CF12N86/3/>
  - Brings concept version 3 etc.

# Provenance of mapping

- To **build confidence** in NVS mappings requirement to store **who** produced a mapping and **when**
- Information was previously only stored internally
- Significant discussion to agree correct semantic approach, aligned with principles of Linked Data. Mappings delivered via URI:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<rdf:RDF xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#" xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/terms/" xmlns:org="http://www.w3.org/ns/org#"
  xmlns:prov="http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#" xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/" xmlns:reg="http://purl.org/linked-data/registry#"
  >
  <rdf:Description rdf:about="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/mapping/1/804913/">
    <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#Statement"/>
    <rdf:subject rdf:resource="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/P01/current/ALATGP01/">
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    <rdf:object rdf:resource="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/B39/current/latitude/">
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      <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person"/>
      <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#Agent"/>
      <foaf:name>Rob Thomas</foaf:name>
      <foaf:title>Dr</foaf:title>
      <org:memberOf rdf:resource="http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/C75/current/BOD/">
    </reg:submitter>
    <reg:status rdf:resource="http://purl.org/linked-data/registry#statusValid"/>
    <dc:created rdf:datatype="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#dateTime">2016-01-14 11:01:44</dc:created>
  </rdf:Description>
</rdf:RDF>
```

# Vocabulary Content

- New NVS-hosted vocabularies to support SWE Marine Profiles Group

<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W03/current/> --> SensorML Event Types

<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W04/current/> --> SensorML Capabilities

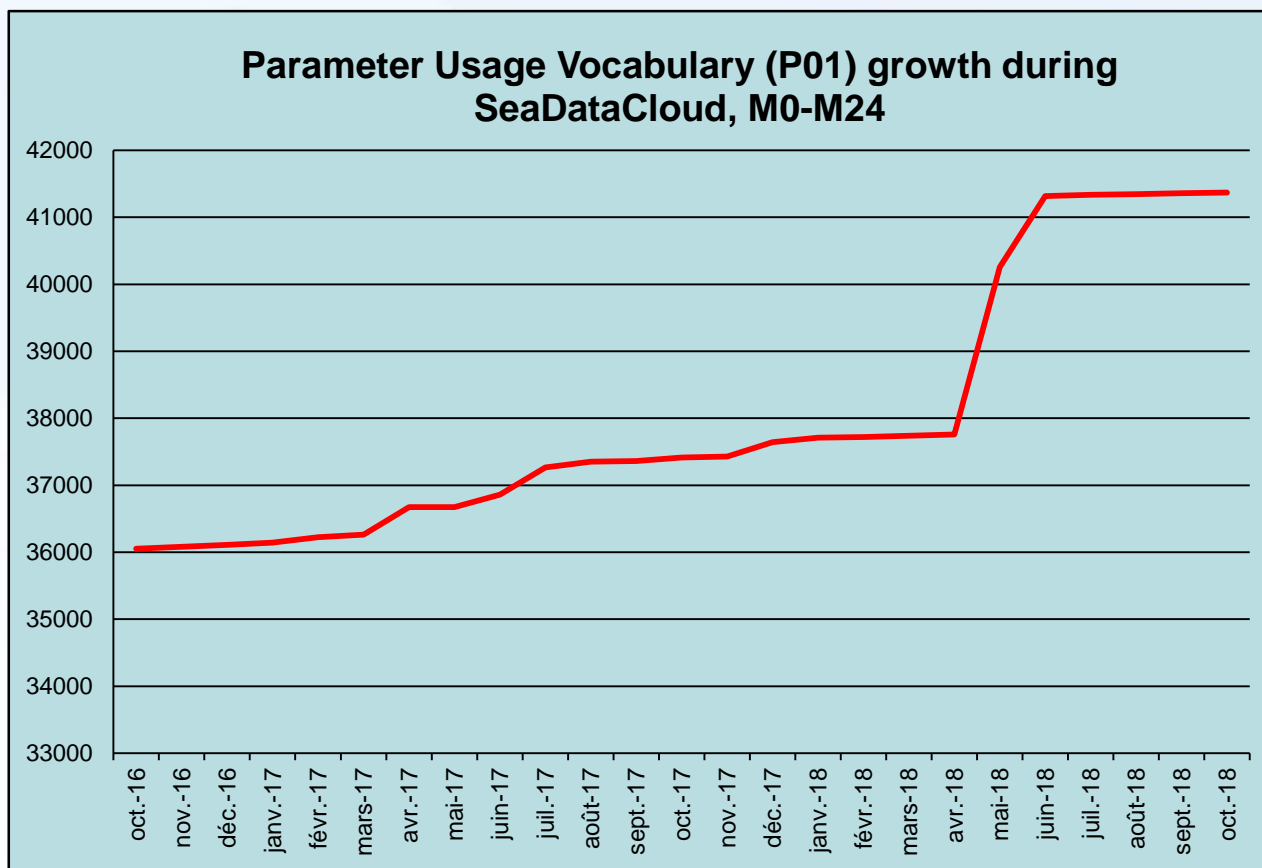
<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W05/current/> --> SensorML Characteristics

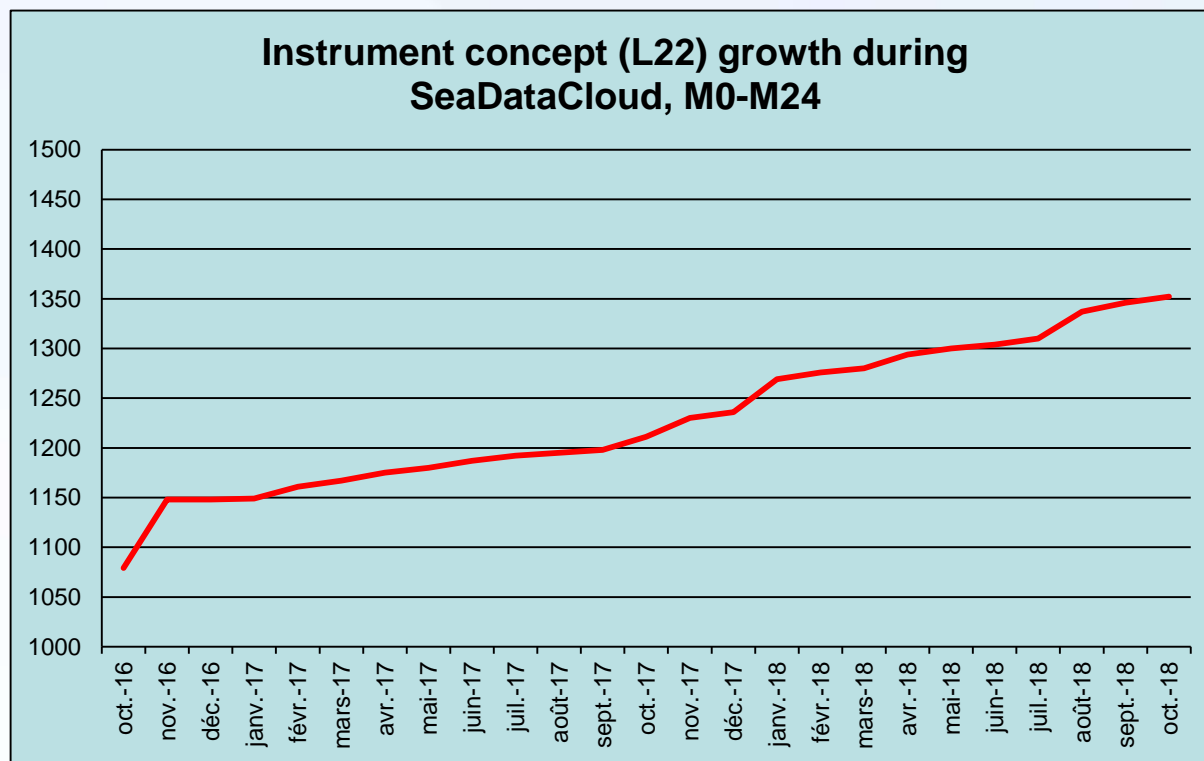
<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W06/current/> --> SensorML Classification

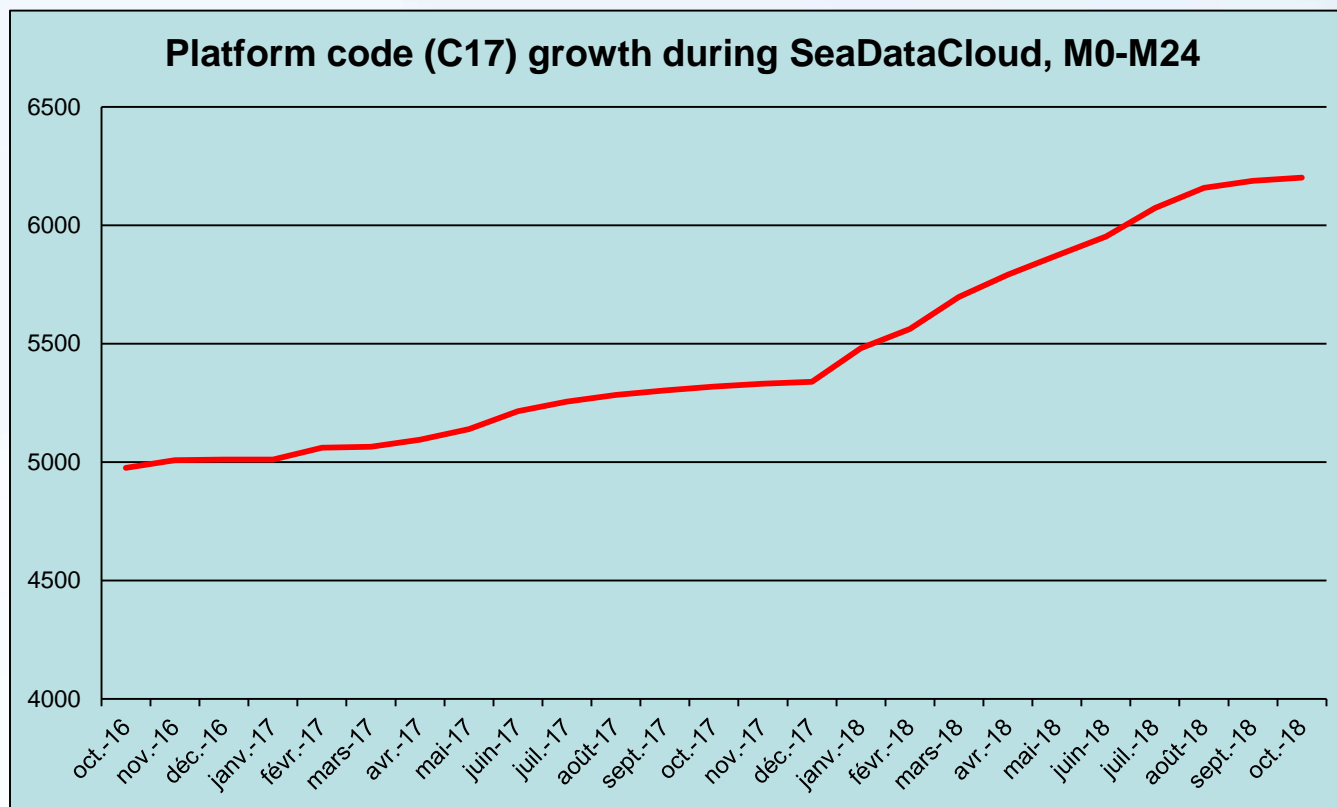
<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W07/current/> --> SensorML Identification

<http://vocab.nerc.ac.uk/collection/W08/current/> --> SensorML Contacts

- Notable support to marine micro-litter and flow cytometry





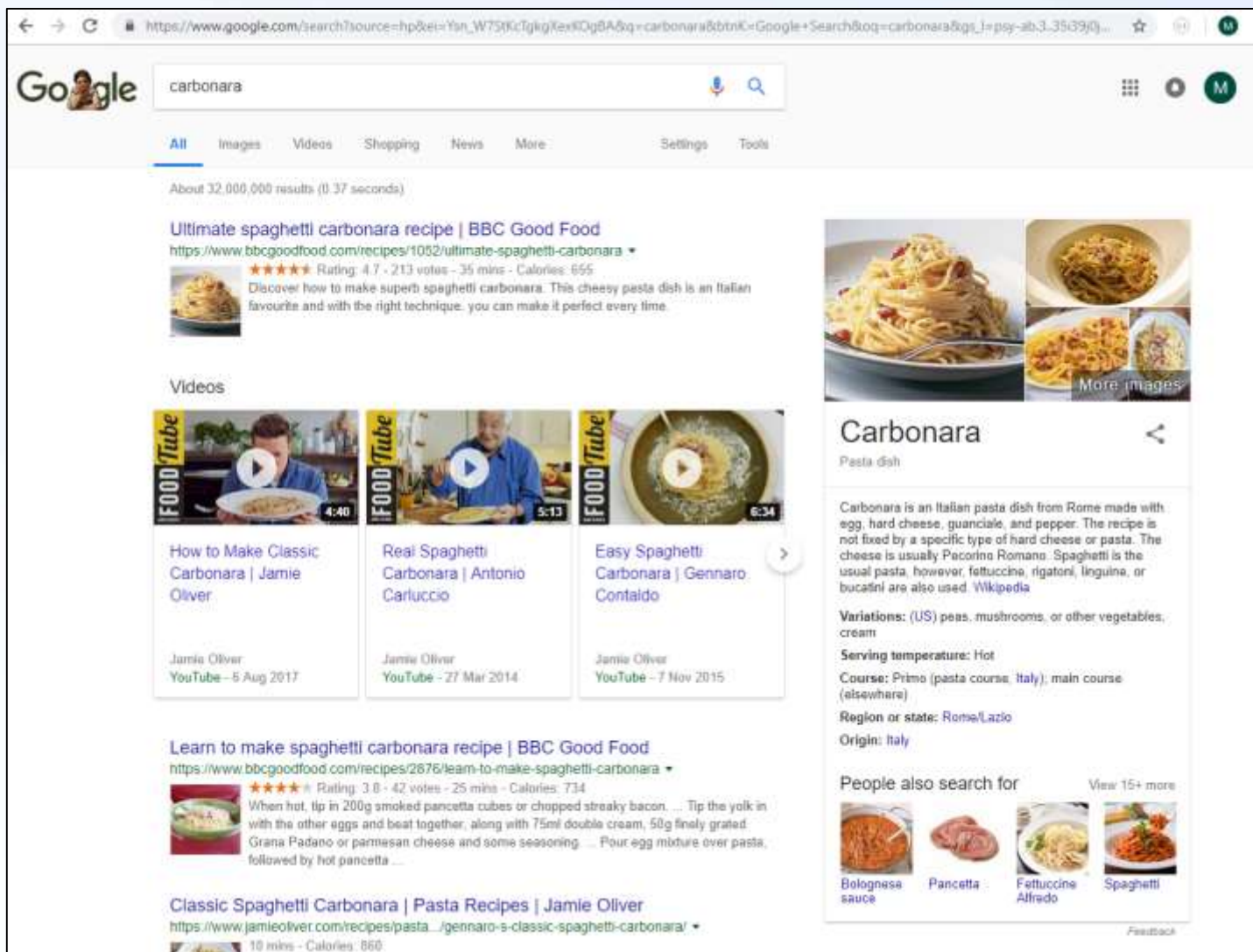


- Ongoing collaboration between ICES and BODC to enhance C17 content
- Management of underwater glider platform class now with BODC

## Linked Data

*“The Semantic Web isn't just about putting data on the web. It is about making links, so that a person or machine can explore the web of data. With Linked Data, when you have some of it, you can find other, related, data.” Sir Tim Berners-Lee, 2006*

- Standards – Uniform Resource Identifiers (**URIs**), Hypertext Transfer Protocol (**HTTP**) and Resource Description Framework (**RDF**) enabling web interoperability

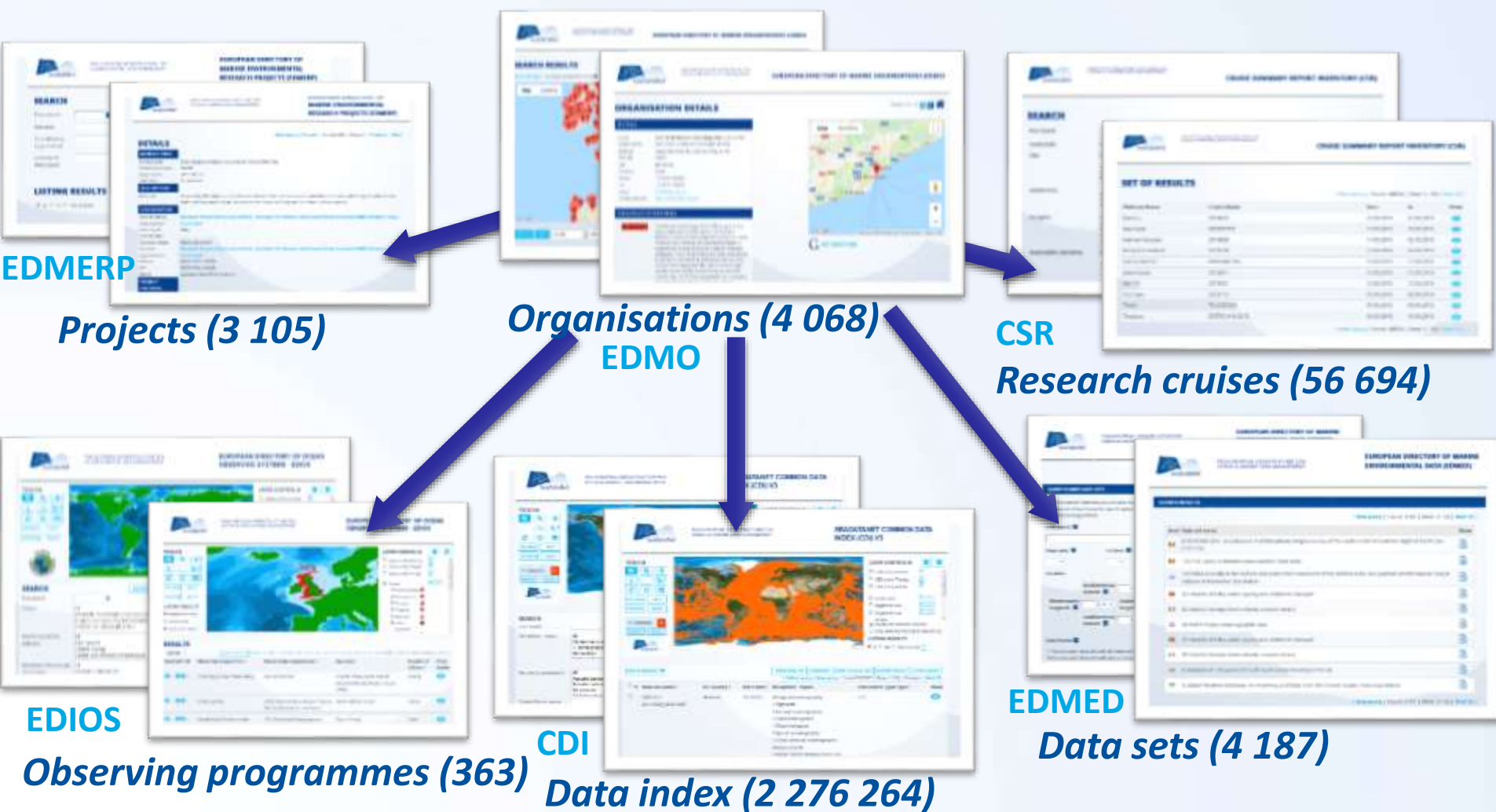


The screenshot shows a Google search for "carbonara". The search results include:

- Ultimate spaghetti carbonara recipe | BBC Good Food**: A recipe link with a 4.7 rating from 213 votes, 35 mins, and 655 calories. It includes a small image of the dish.
- Videos**: A section showing three video thumbnails from Jamie Oliver's "FOOD Tube" series:
  - How to Make Classic Carbonara | Jamie Oliver**: 4:40 min, YouTube - 5 Aug 2017.
  - Real Spaghetti Carbonara | Antonio Carluccio**: 5:13 min, YouTube - 27 Mar 2014.
  - Easy Spaghetti Carbonara | Gennaro Contaldo**: 6:34 min, YouTube - 7 Nov 2015.
- Learn to make spaghetti carbonara recipe | BBC Good Food**: A recipe link with a 3.8 rating from 42 votes, 25 mins, and 734 calories. It includes a small image of the dish.
- Classic Spaghetti Carbonara | Pasta Recipes | Jamie Oliver**: A recipe link with a 10 mins cooking time and 660 calories.

On the right side of the search results, there is a detailed card for "Carbonara" (Pasta dish). It includes a description: "Carbonara is an Italian pasta dish from Rome made with egg, hard cheese, guanciale, and pepper. The recipe is not fixed by a specific type of hard cheese or pasta. The cheese is usually Pecorino Romano. Spaghetti is the usual pasta, however, fettuccine, rigatoni, linguine, or bucatini are also used." It also lists variations (US: peas, mushrooms, or other vegetables, cream), serving temperature (Hot), course (Primo (pasta course, Italy); main course (elsewhere)), region or state (Rome/Lazio), and origin (Italy). Below this card, there is a section "People also search for" with images and labels for Bolognese sauce, Pancetta, Fettuccine Alfredo, and Spaghetti.

# Linked Data and SeaDataNet



## Metadata catalogues modelled using existing standards...

Catalogue	Entity	Existing Standard(s)	Host
EDMO	Organisation	W3C Organisation	Maris
EDMED	Data Set	W3C DCAT	BODC
EDMERP	Research Project	W3C Prov-O DBPedia Research Project	Maris
EDIOS	Observing System	INSPIRE Environmental Monitoring Facilities	BODC
CSR	Cruise	?... Publish SDC work	BSH
CDI	Data granule/series	W3C DCAT	Maris

# SPARQL Endpoints

- A web service enabling users (human or machine) to query metadata databases as Linked Data
- SPARQL is a W3C standard and the language used to query RDF data
- Deploying SPARQL Endpoints enables interested parties to harvest, reuse and link to the SeaDataNet catalogues
- **EDMED, EDIOS, EDMO are now exposed as Linked Data resources, via SPARQL Endpoints. EDMERP and CSR are in progress**

# Google Dataset Search Beta

Search for Datasets



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# Clean URIs

- Common URIs adopted for the SeaDataNet metadata catalogues to enable simpler linking for machine-to-machine services:

[http://\[metadir\].seadatanet.org/](http://[metadir].seadatanet.org/)

- Appropriate redirects in place by individual catalogue providers

## Other WP8 highlights

### Review of data formats, also considering the INSPIRE data models

Including:

- Proof of concept mappings - extension of NetCDF and ODV formats to achieve **INSPIRE-compliance** within SeaDataNet. Subsequently modelled by OGS for nutrient data in the Mediterranean Sea
- Review of SeaDataNet migration from **NetCDF v3.6 to v4.0**
- Formalised SeaDataNet NetCDF (CF) format for gridded data

### Infrastructural upgrades to assimilate EUDAT

- User authentication and authorisation
- Monitoring system for 'health' of SeaDataNet infrastructure