

# Atlant

## An International Program for Basin-Scale Observing of the Atlantic Ocean



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#### Basin-scale Implementation & Use Case Approach

Carbon Uptake -Identifying sources and sinks of carbon

Mitigating Impacts of Sargassum on Coastal Communities in the Tropical Atlantic

Networks to predict and explain marine animal movements in a changing environment



Providing Basin-Scale Climate Services -Atlantic Meridional Ocean Circulation

Supporting Ecosystems **Based Management** for Fisheries in Atlantic **Upwelling Regions** 

- Improving international collaboration in the design, implementation and benefit sharing of ocean observing.
- Promoting engagement and innovation in all aspects of ocean observing,
- Facilitating free and open access to ocean data and information => Digital-Twin Ocean
- Enabling and disseminating methods of achieving quality and authority of ocean information.
- Strengthening the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS) and contribute to GEO Blue Planet Initiative. WMO and other UN actors
- Contributing to the Galway and Belém Statements on Atlantic Ocean Cooperation

An international programme leading to a comprehensive All-Atlantic Ocean Observing System that benefits all of us living, working and relying on the ocean

### **AtlantOS** Achievements and 2022 Goals



- Increased engagement and connection with national & regional initiatives e.g. GOOS networks, CIOOS, IOOS, IOCARIBE of IOC-UNESCO, PIRATA, TAOS, South Atlantic Networks
- New Governance and implementation by December 2021
  - o Turnover plan for Steering Committee, Open call for new membership, Regular reporting requirements
  - o <u>Creation of Engagement Board (May 2022)</u>
- Roadmap/Work development 2022
- Communications: AtlantOS Ocean Hour, Quarterly Newsletter
- Events: All-Atlantic 2021 Side Event, DOOS Scoping Workshop,
   Townhall OSM 2022, All-Atlantic 2022
- Working Groups: <u>Redefining in collaboration with GOOS (2022)</u>





#### **Contributions to GOOS**



#### How can GOOS support AtlantOS?

- o Enhance communication and coordination
- o Connections to Global Networks Argo, Ocean Sites, GO-SHIP, Ocean Gliders et al.
- o Support communication with regional networks
- o Support development of guidelines for best practices around working together
- o Clear guidelines on how regional projects and GRA's should collaborate

#### What is missing in the current structure?

- o Observing side need to optimise observing system design with regional focus
- o Limited coordination with programs outside the GOOS umbrella
- o Limited integration of data and information services
- o Connections to user communities need strengthening, best achieved through regional and thematic approaches