

The Global Ocean Observing System

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Ocean observing activities in Poland – status and challenges

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- additional environmental (physical and chemical) data collected by the National Marine Fisheries Research Institute during fishery observations (Multiannual Fisheries Data Collection Programme) by ship surveys

Polish Multiannual Fisheries Data Collection Programme; Joint DTU-NMFRI ichthyoplankton survey (June)





Tide gauges network operated by the Institute of Meteorology and Water Management for the State Hydrological and Meteorological Service (providing hydrological assessment, forecast and warnings)

- 11 coastal (marine) tide gauges as a part of the water level monitoring network operate by the IMGW-PIB Hydrological Forecast Office Gdynia
- operational data available in real-time (as plots) from web service, in some cases together with metocean data, daily and weakly hydrological bulletins published, data archived in IMGW-PIB data base
- Polish sea level stations are not included in IOC Sea Level Station Monitoring Facility and are not a part of GLOSS network (only some historical data included in PSMSL)





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AREX Long-term large-scale Arctic monitoring programme

- Carried by IOPAN since 1987 with annual 3-month long summer field surveys in the Norwegian and Greenland seas, Barents Sea, Fram Strait, southern Nansen Basin and West Spitsbergen fjords with over 300 stations occupied yearly
- Data available in the eCUDO oceanographic data and information center in delayed mode
- Additionally two subsurface deep ocean moorings operated since 2012 north of Svalbard in the entrance to the Arctic Ocean (project-based funding)





SatBaltyk – Satellite Environment Control of the Baltic Sea

- Sea monitoring system for the Baltic Sea, based on the satellite remote sensing data and eco-hydrodynamical models, uses in situ data from ship surveys, moored buoy (short-term deployment) and Argo floats
- In addition to merged products, 'raw' satellite data products and models' outputs are also available on the web portal





Reflections on the role of NFP at the national level

National connection around ocean observing:

very fragmented system, a large part of in situ observations collected by piggybacking on research projects (lack of sustainability), environmental monitoring networks sustained but only based on ship surveys (no operational data delivery) => the first step in building national connection should be to identify the national contributors to ocean observing and facilitate sharing information on observations and data

National Structure – Committee:

should include representatives of all institutions involved in ocean observing at the national level but the interest from main entities is rather low

Linkages with:

GOOS partners – good connections at the regional level via strong participation in BOOS and ArcticROOS (EuroGOOS) Ocean Decade – currently no dedicated national activities related to UNDOS (except participation in initiatives organized by larger organisations)







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Support needed from GOOS NFP Terms of Reference (Updated ToR)

National Committee/Hub – challenges

Low visibility of GOOS and benefits of having a national committee among disparate organizations involved in ocean observing in Poland – how to change this?

Help to identify the best strategies for encouraging the involvement by following examples from other countries being in a similar situation in terms of maturity (or rather the lack thereof) of a national observing system

Future plans / sustenance of National ocean observing programme

Limited funding translates to poor sustainability of ocean observations at the national level - how to convey a message to governmental funding agencies about benefits of ocean observing that is better aligned with global and regional efforts and available know-how (technology, best practices, data policies)? How to build capacity to include relevant/more organizations in the national ocean observing program and increase data delivery beyond the current level?

Organize a national meeting with relevant entities to review the current status and plans for sustained observations and discuss better coordination and different ideas for consolidating separate activities into a national program





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