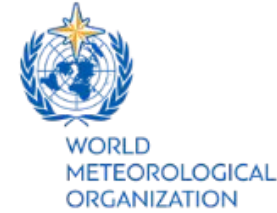




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The GOOS operations and data monitoring centre

Session 4

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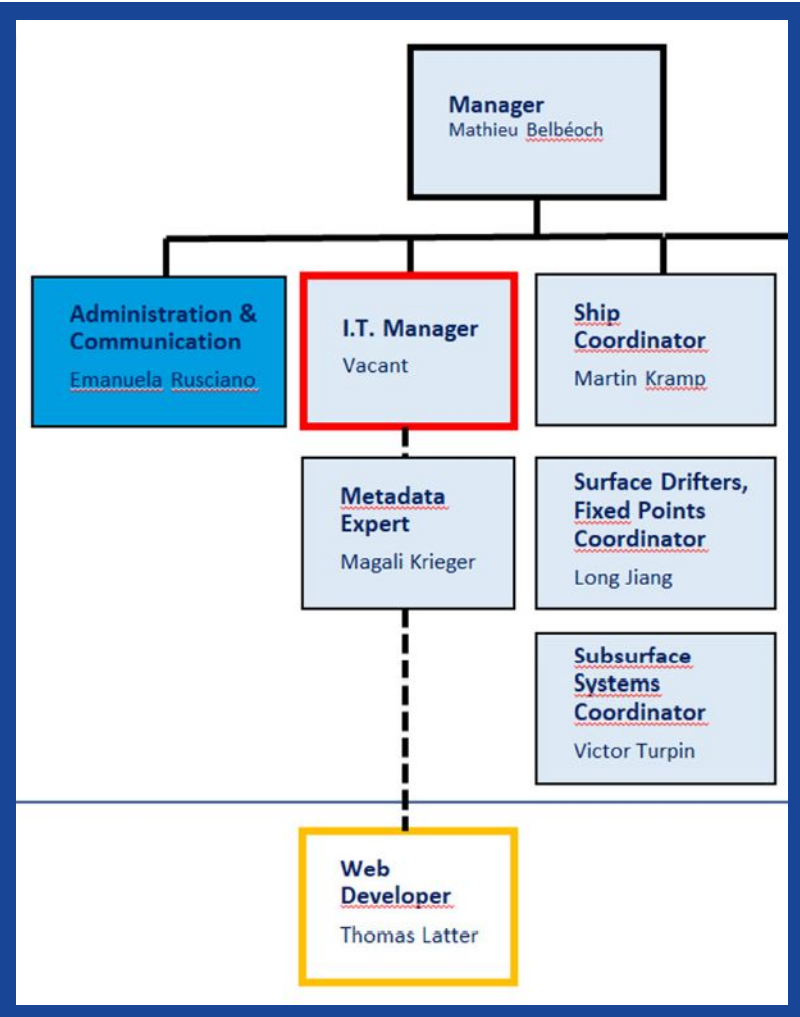
Thirteenth GOOS Steering Committee Meeting [SC-13]

Barcelona 13th-16th April 2024

OceanOPS Achievements, important initiatives, evolving actions

OceanOPS Restructuring

- Costs (salaries) exceed stable income levels
- Management Board recommended restructuring
 - Reduce technical coordinators: 3 to 2
 - Create SL agreements between networks and OceanOPS
 - Position OceanOPS for future built around interoperability and scalable support
 - Restructuring completed by June 2024

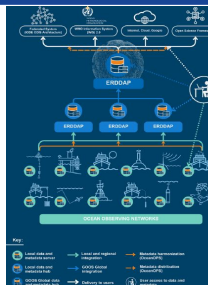


Monitoring / Reporting

- I.S. Migration CLS-Ifremer: Web dashboard down since early 2024
- [Report Card 2023](#), 2024 postponed (OCG-15)
- Semestrial Technical [Bulletin](#)
- Report on national contributions to GOOS ?

Data / Metadata

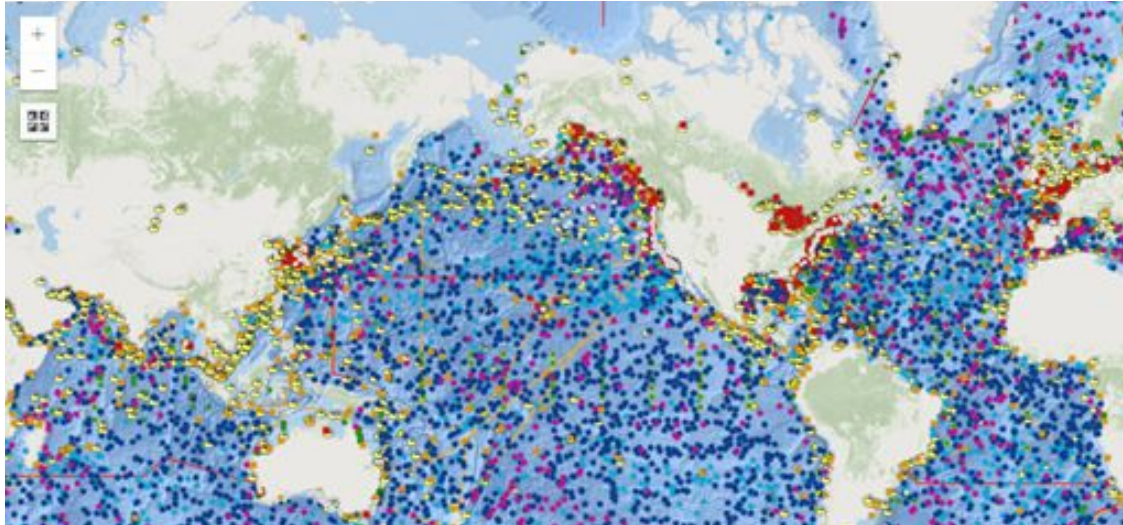
- **OCG Cross Network Data Implementation Strategy** ([GOOS-296](#))
- Data and metadata integration
- Coastal/Regional, R/V, BioEco ?



Projects/Initiatives

- OCG TT metrics: Draft metrics on data and metadata, sustainability, governance ...
- EU Projects AMRIT (started), and AMRIT-C2 (submitted) - decentralized development capability (start of the “GOOS scrum team”)
- GMT Retreat in Brest Jan. 2024

2 Main challenges/questions for SC to discuss



OceanOPS Strategic Positioning

As OceanOPS undergoes reorganization and becomes more efficient, and interoperable, OceanOPS has the opportunity to strengthen its position as the global leader in metadata and observational coordination services. OceanOPS welcomes Steering Committee feedback on its future role.

Action: OceanOPS and OCG welcomes feedback now, and seeks a future opportunity to engage the SC



OceanOPS Support

OceanOPS reliance on a patchwork of support from 1-2 major sponsors and a number of small research grants is not sustainable. The Steering Committee should advise on alternative funding models/approaches and help OceanOPS identify additional sources for support to secure it.

Action: OCG, OceanOPS, and networks to develop a marketing and funding strategy