EMSO ERIC: Advancing Deep-Sea Science with Long-Term Ocean Observations

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EMSO ERIC – Introduction

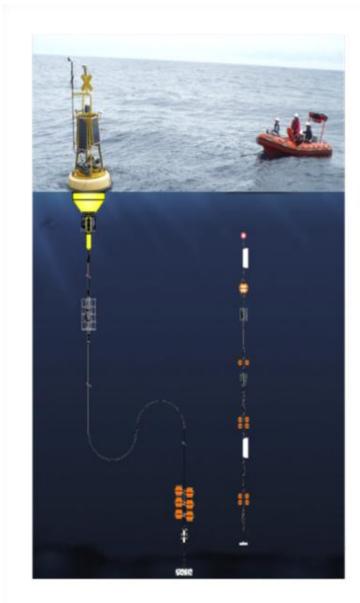
Distributed European RI

14 regional facilities and **27** European Institutions

~ 130 physical & biogeochemical parameters

Goal: Offering **FAIR** data & services to scientific community

Poster: EMSO ERIC a pan European RI ...(DG Ingrid Puillat et al.)



EMSO Data Infrastructure

Initial Approach: Centralized data infrastructure complemented by a harmonization system.

Problem: Heterogeneous data would require significant investment of time and effort from RF to achieve harmonization.

Actual Approach: Federated data infrastructure utilizing **ERDDAP** for enhanced data distribution and retrieval.



EMSO ERIC Data Infrastructure: ERDDAP

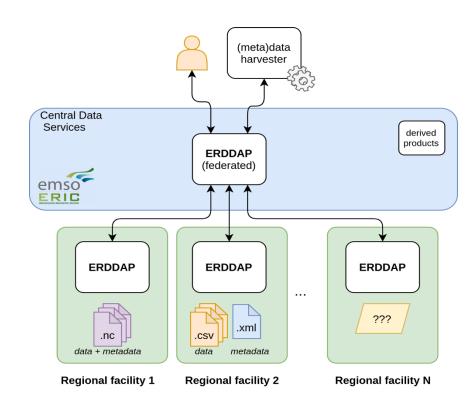
ERDDAP: EMSO's data backbone

Open-source software developed by NOAA

ERDDAP servers deployed at regional facilities

Data Managed at RF level

Central ERDDAP links regional facilities



Data needs to be fully **harmonized** at each RF

BlueCloud2026: Harmonization and integration of marine data





EMSO Metadata Standard

Custom EMSO Metadata Specification Document

Based on the OceanSITES Data Format but adapted to the needs of EMSO. Version control, human-readable, machine-actionable, defines a set of compliance tests



Available in **GitHub** and **Zenodo**





EMSO ERIC Metadata Service

EMSO Metadata Harmonizer tool:

Checks compliance with EMSO specs.

Crawls through ERDDAP's datasets

Tips to improve harmonization

Provides harmonization score

Available in GitHub

ERDDAP test report							
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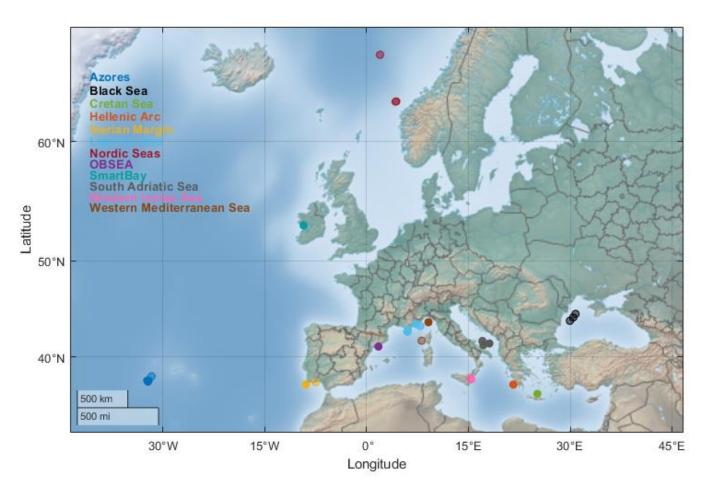
Harmonization Status

	RF harmonization status							
	Regional Facility	15th Dec 2023	5th Nov 2024	19th May 2025				
1	SmartBay	54%	78%	83%				
2	OBSEA	88%	89%	90%				
3	Cretan Sea	86%	87%	87				
4	Ligurian Sea	73%	78%	78				
5	Hellenic Arc	84%	84%	84				
6	Azores	87%	87%	88				
7	Iberian Margin	96%	In progress	96				
8	Western Ionian Sea	100%	100%	100				
9	South Adriatic Sea	87%	89%	98				
10	Western Mediterranean Sea	100%	100%	100				
11	Nordic Seas	98%	99%	99				
12	Black Sea	In progress	In progress	94				
13	Canary Islands	In progress	In progress	In progress				
	total average	85%	89%	91%				





EMSO ERDDAP data overview



Poster: Multi parametric

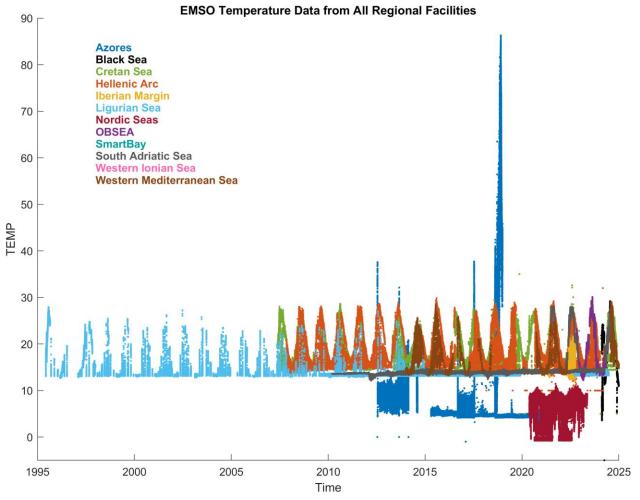
Time series ... (Dominique

Lefèvre et al.)





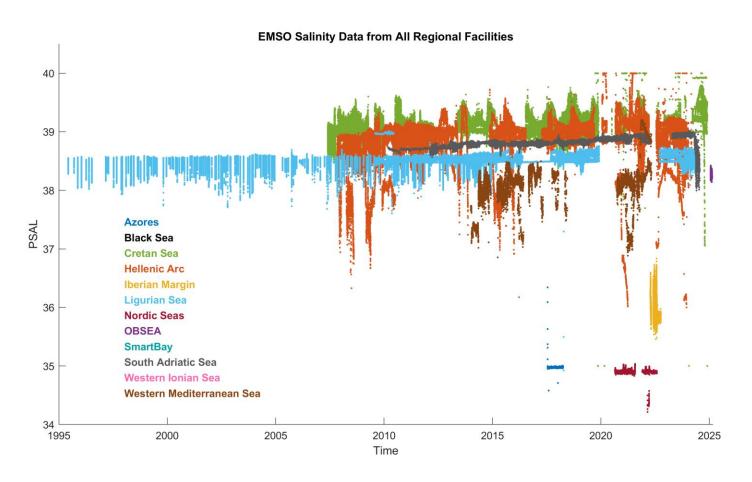
EMSO Temperature Data from all RF







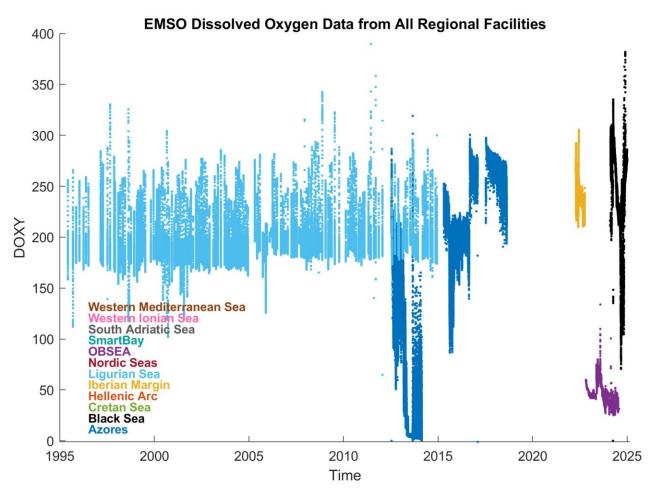
EMSO Salinity Data from all RF







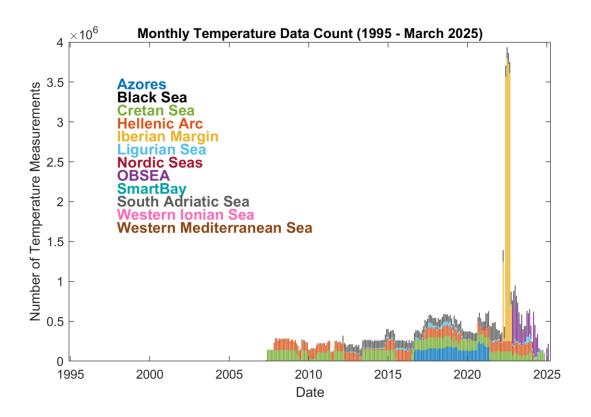
EMSO Dissolved Oxygen Data from all RF

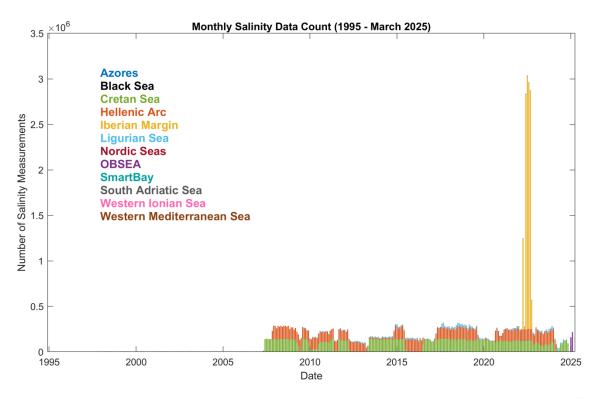






Monthly Temperature/Salinity Data count

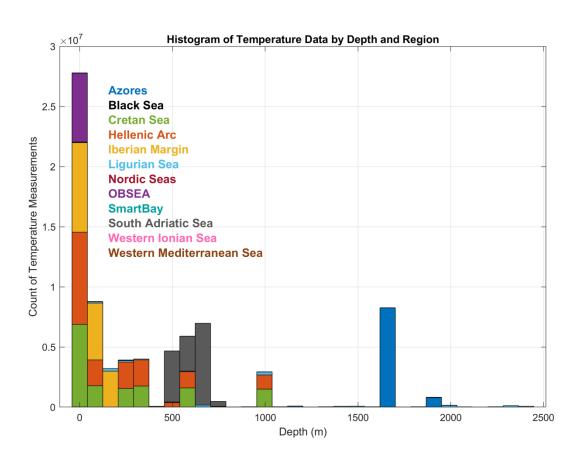


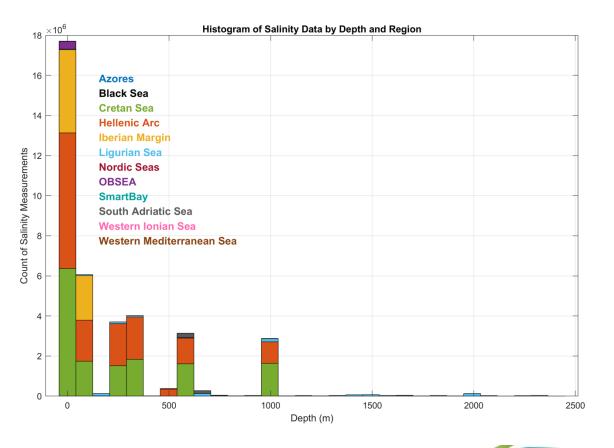






Histogram of Temperature/Salinity Data by Depth









Ligurian Sea Temperature trend

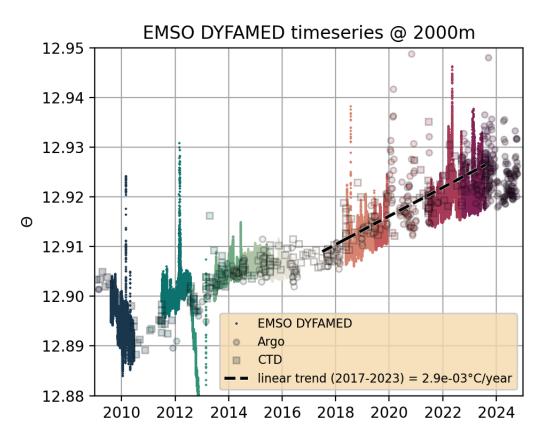
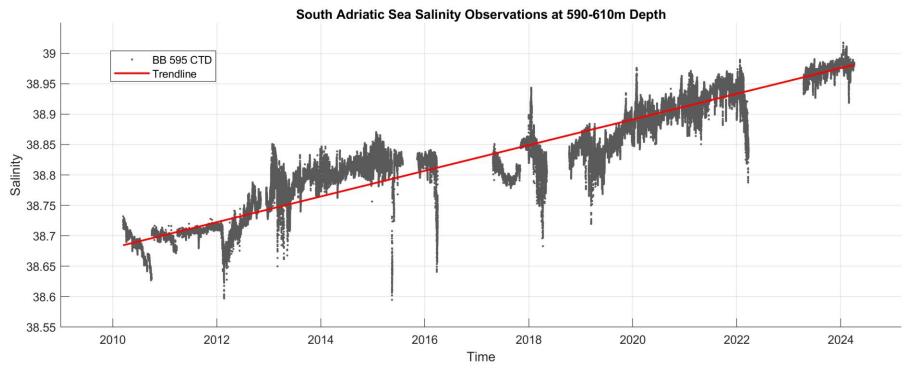


Figure source: Dominique Lefèvre





South Adriatic Sea Salinity trend

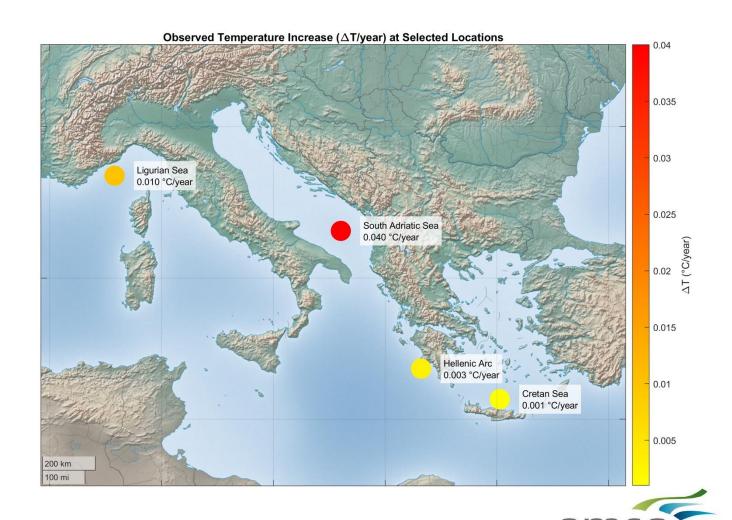






Observed Temperature Increase at 1000 m depth

Approx. last 15 years of deepocean temperature data
Supports informed decisionmaking for policymakers
and stakeholders.





Summary

ERDDAP is the backbone

Harmonization is improving (90 %) due to EMSO Metadata

Specification Document & Metadata Harmonizer tool.

Overview of EMSO Data (trends)

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Thank you for your time and attention!

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