



The Global Ocean Observing System
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The Global Ocean Observing System 2030 Strategy, governance, and NOAA Implementation



GOOS Vision

A truly global ocean observing system that delivers the essential information needed for our sustainable development, safety, wellbeing and prosperity.

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GOOS 2030 Strategy

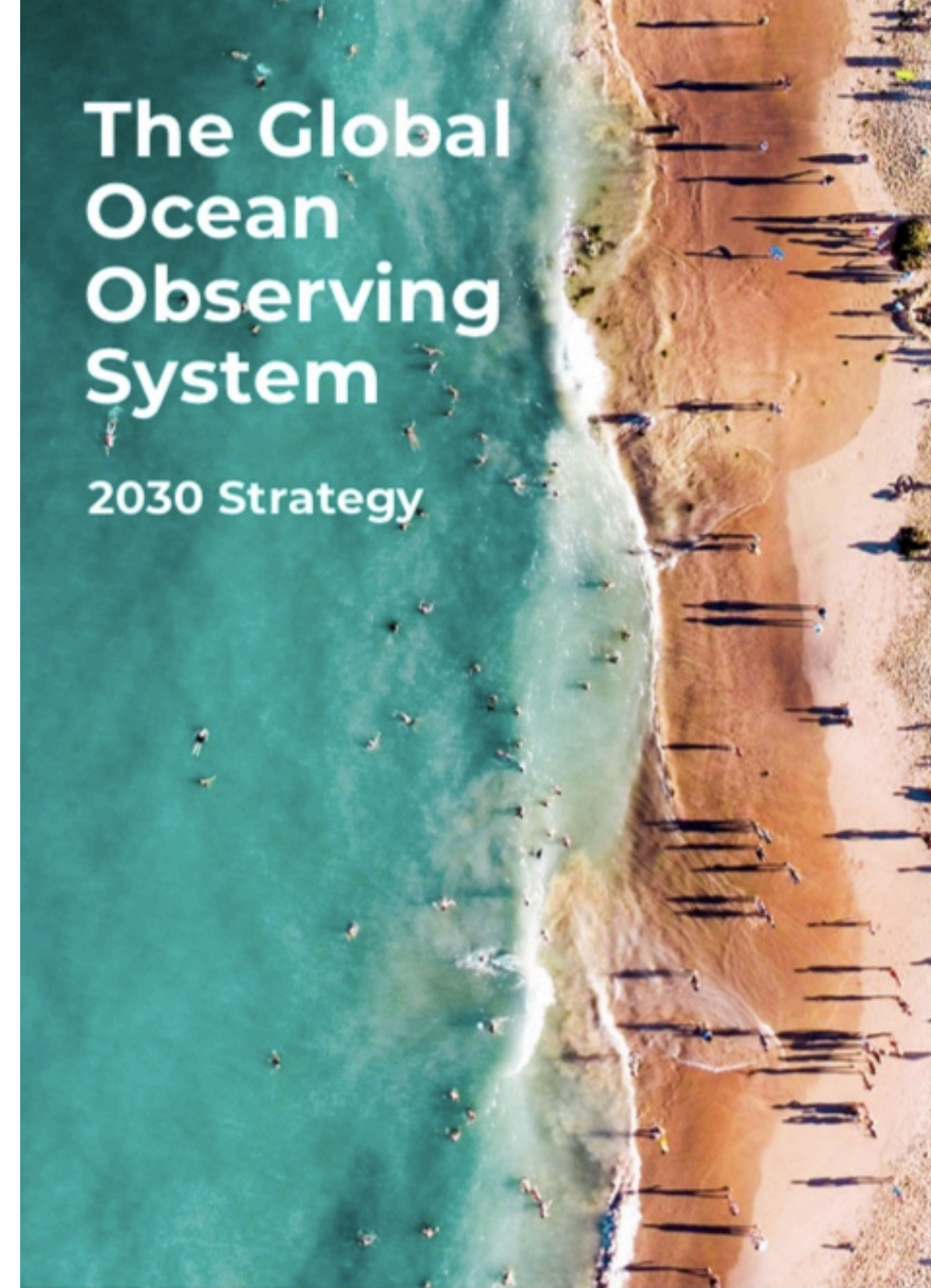
GOOS Mission

To lead the ocean observing community and create the partnerships to grow an integrated, responsive and sustained observing system.



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2030 Strategy



Delivery across 3 target application areas

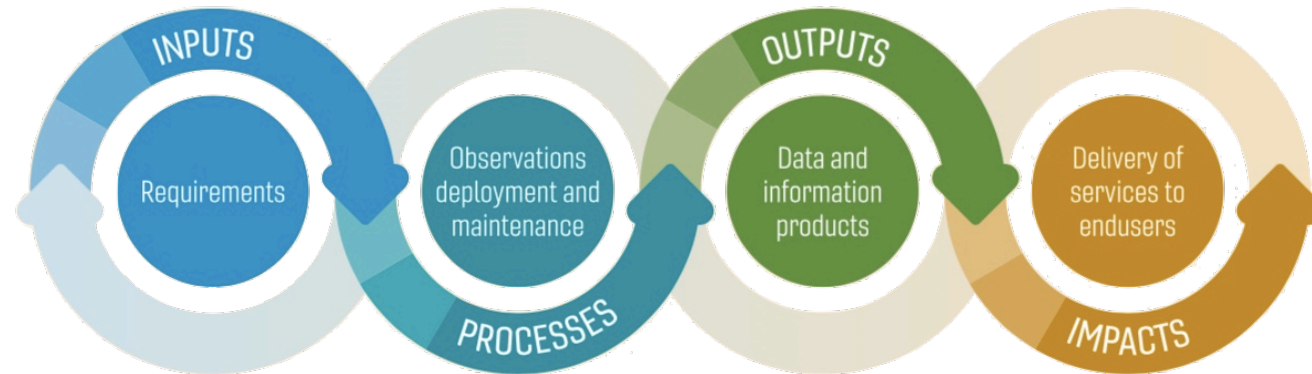
Climate



Operational services



Ocean health

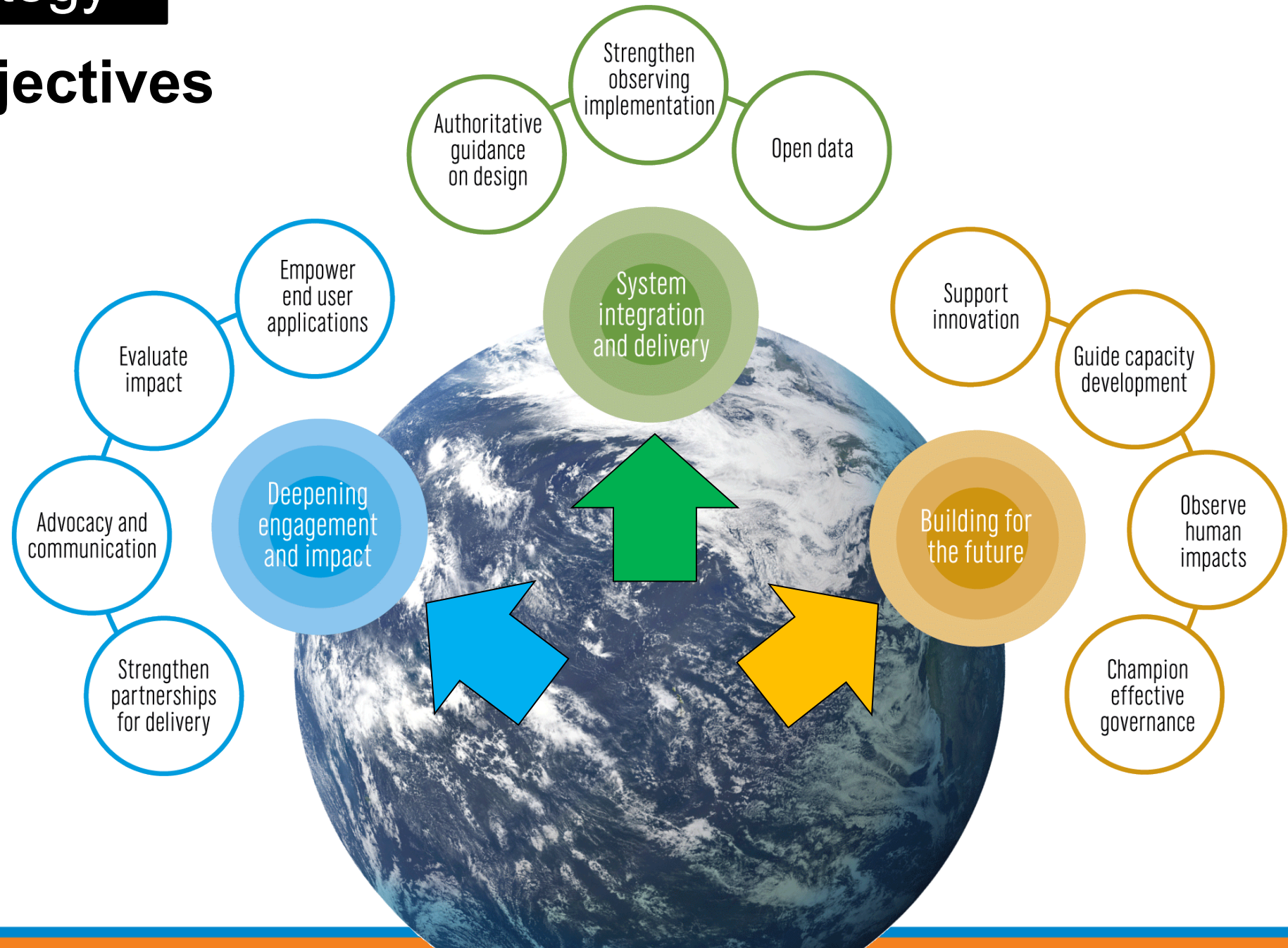


11 Strategic Objectives

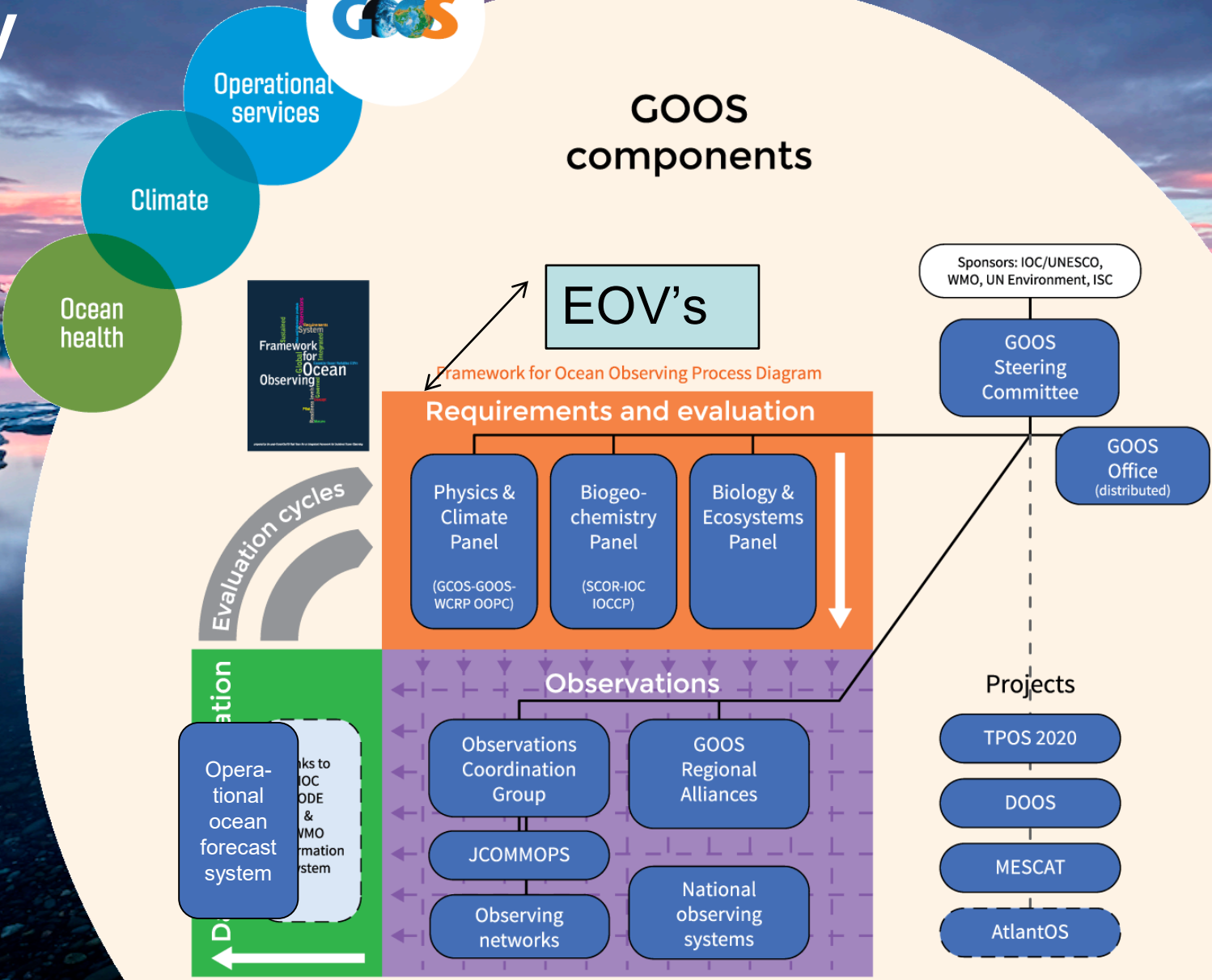
System integration and delivery

Deepening engagement and impact

Building for the future



GOOS Today

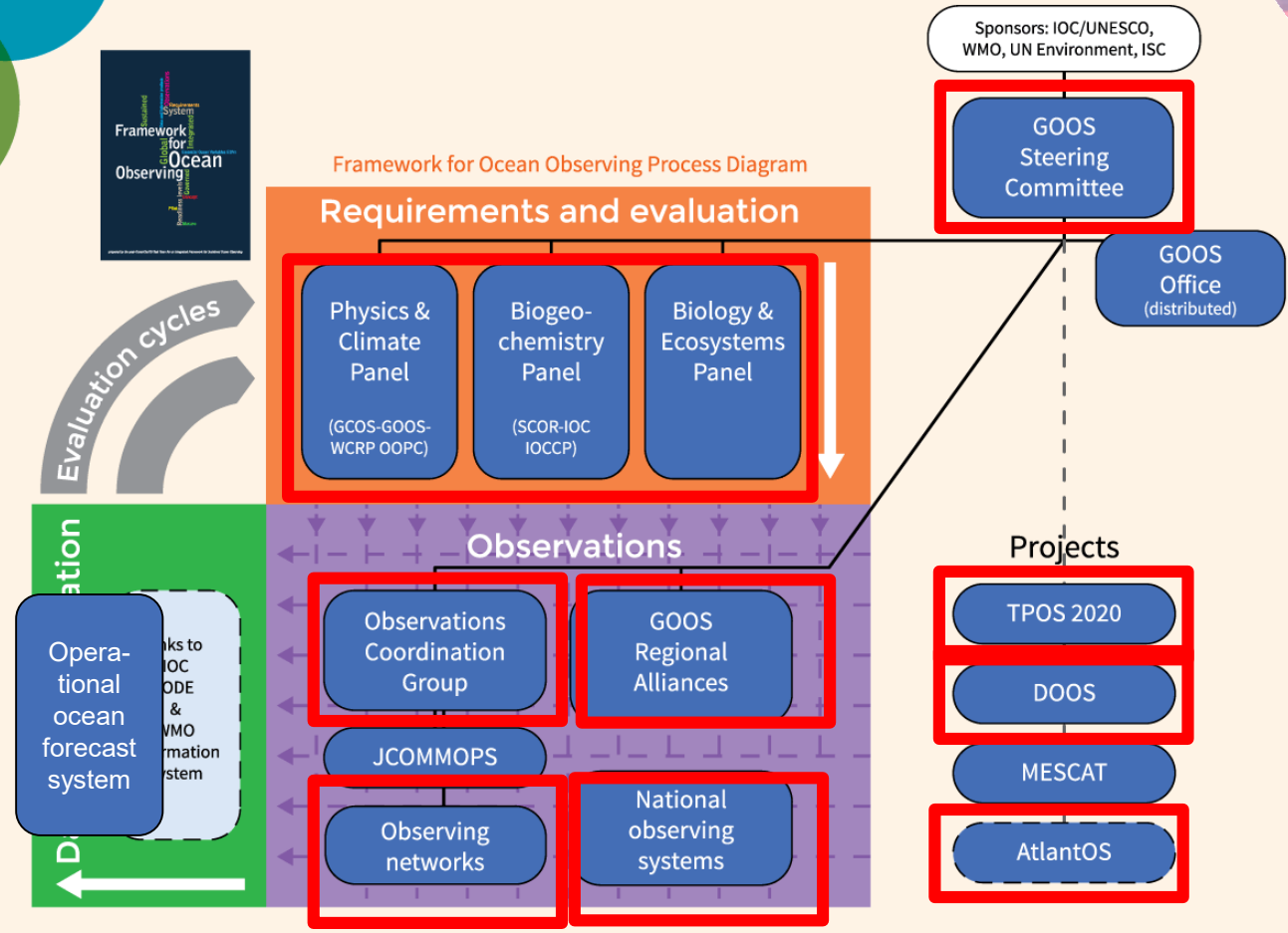


GOOS Today



GOOS components

NOAA
Leadership,
Engagement

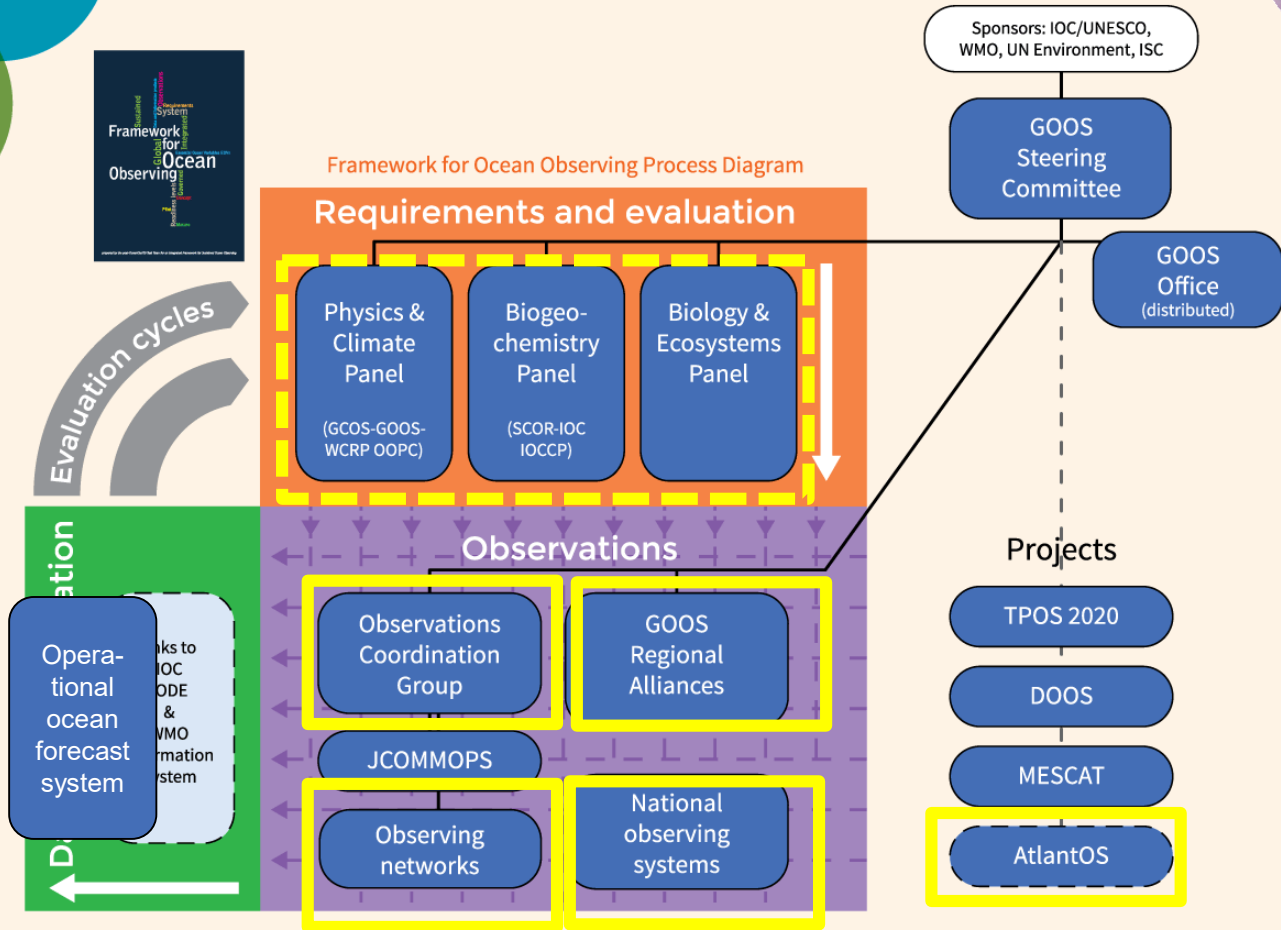


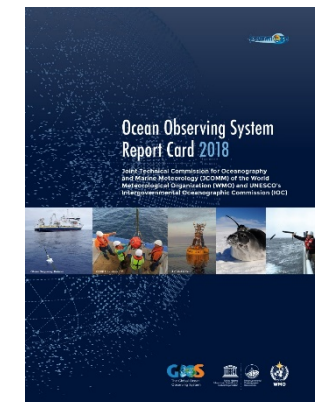
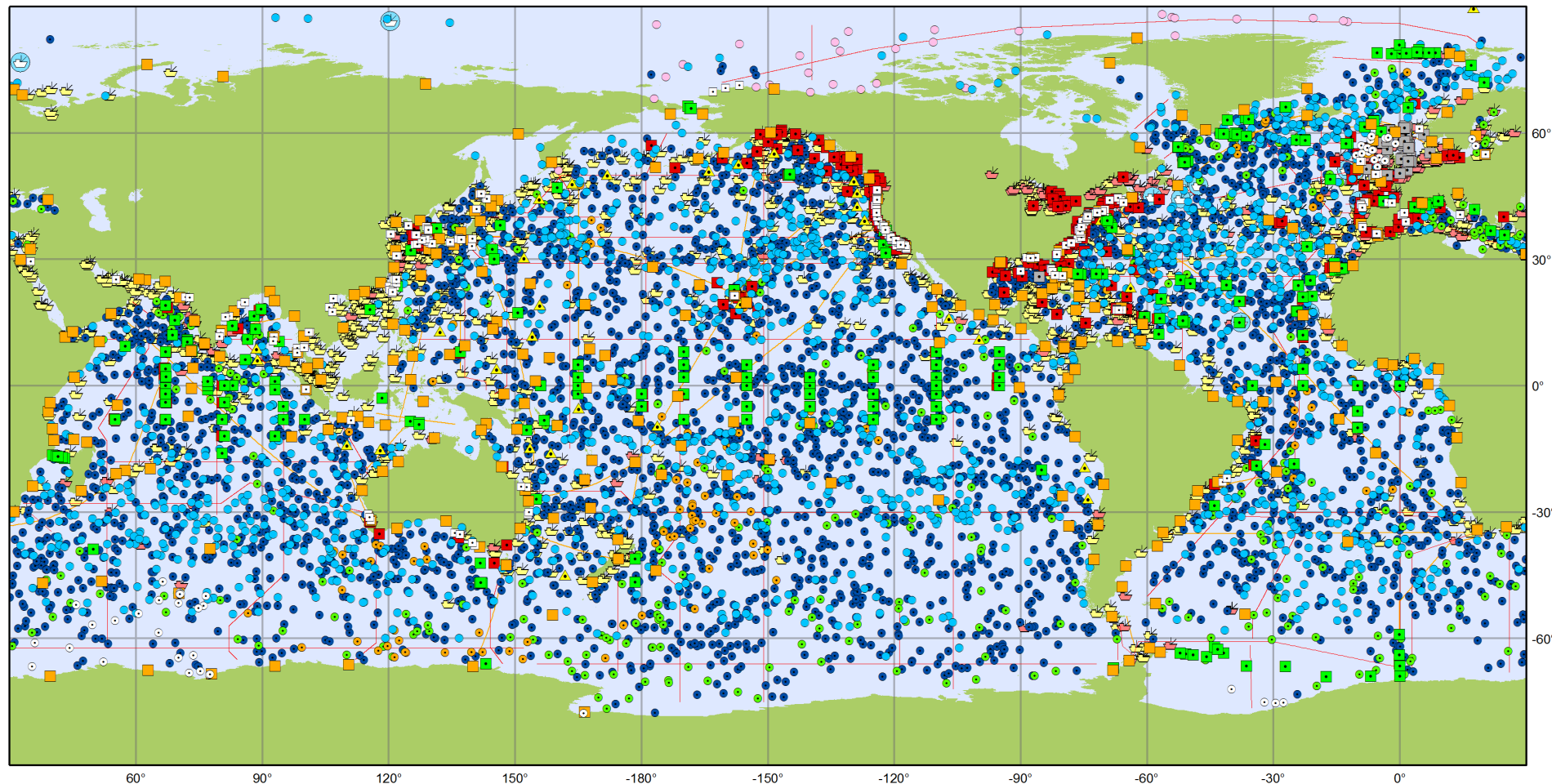
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GOOS components

IOOS Leadership, Engagement





Main in situ Elements of the Global Ocean Observing System

November 2019

Profiling Floats (Argo)

- Core (3871)
- Deep (106)
- BioGeoChemical (364)

Data Buoys (DBCP)

- Surface Drifters (1520)
- Offshore Platforms (93)
- Ice Buoys (30)
- Moored Buoys (333)
- ▲ Tsunameters (32)

Timeseries (OceanSITES)

- Interdisciplinary Moorings (326)
- Repeated Hydrography (GO-SHIP)**
- Research Vessel Lines (63)
- Sea Level (GLOSS)**
- Tide Gauges (290)

Ship based Measurements (SOT)

- Automated Weather Stations (253)
- Manned Weather Stations (1279)
- Radiosondes (13)
- eXpendable BathyThermographs (34)

Other Networks

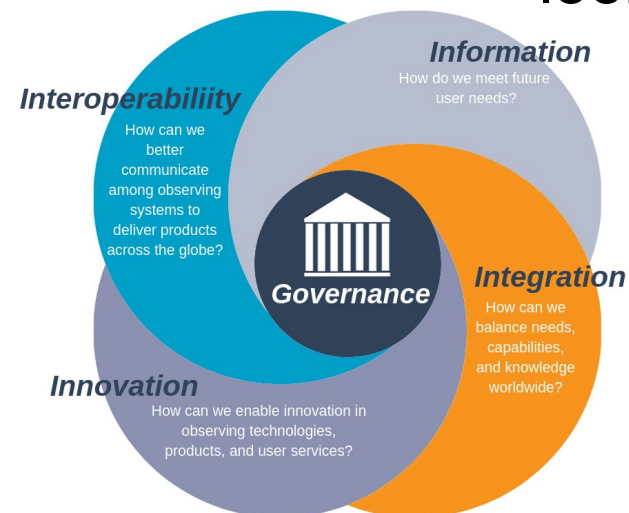
- HF Radars (270)
- Animal Borne Sensors (53)





OceanObs'19 – what we heard

- **Planning for impact:** codesign of the observing system, end-to-end, with stakeholders and users
- Core system **integration:** Democratization of data, best practice, integration of biological and ecological observations, and a growing emphasis on the coast
- Embracing **innovation** in technology and governance, and looking to the [#OceanDecade](#) as a vehicle for transformation



- **Governance** breakout: formation of a working group to make recommendations

Developing/Implementing GOOS in NOAA OAR Global Ocean Monitoring and Observing

- Observations beyond US EEZ carried out across every line office of NOAA
- Purposefully designed global scale sustained ocean observing programs are a subset (largely NESDIS and OAR)
- Many programs contribute time/energy towards the global ocean observing enterprise (e.g. IOOS engagement with other GOOS Regional Alliances, ATN..)

MISSION (from 2015 Strategic Plan):



To provide high-quality long-term global observations, climate information, and products to researchers, forecasters, and other users to inform and prepare society for environmental challenges



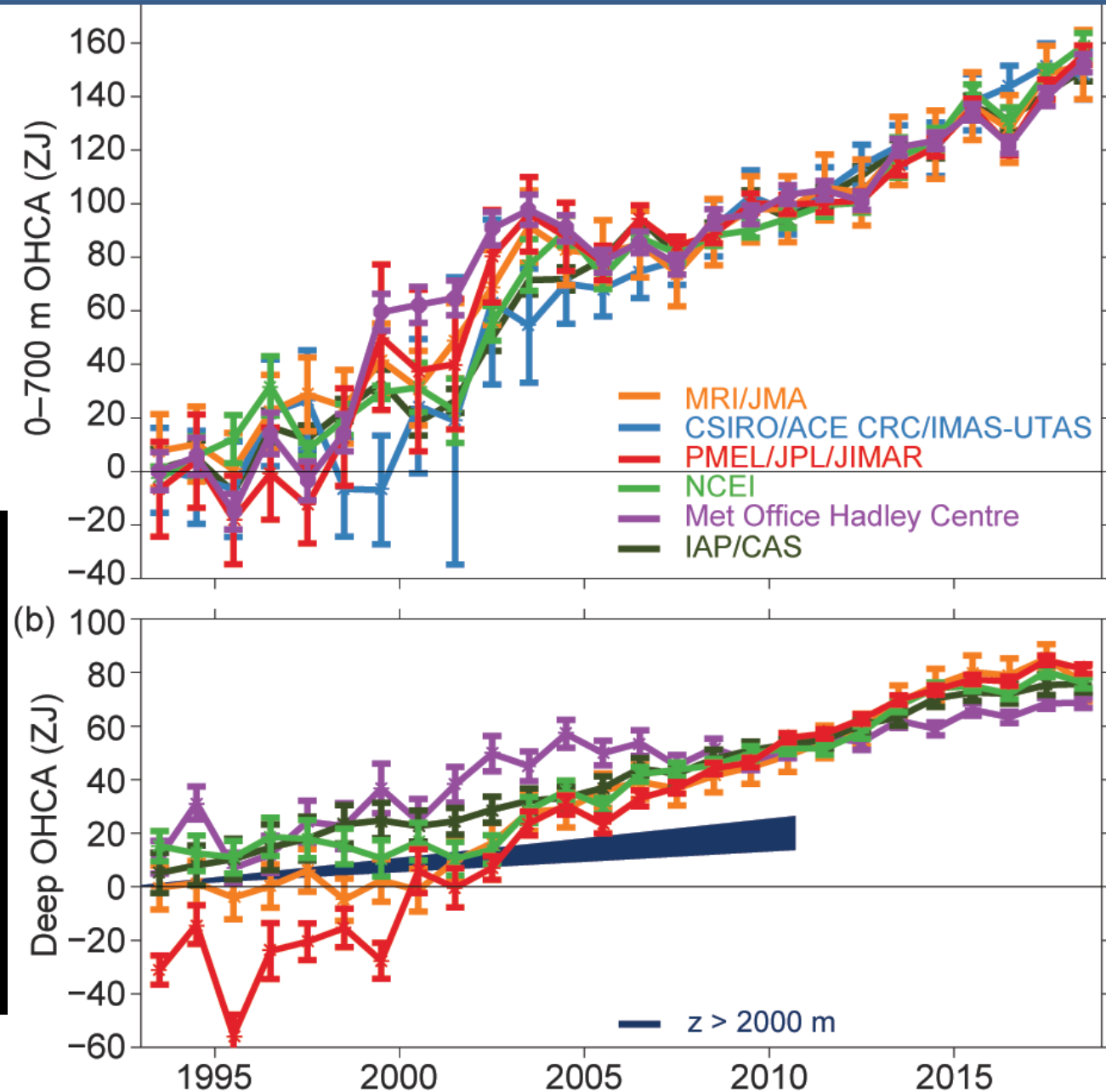
The Value of Global Ocean Observing - Climate



Argo

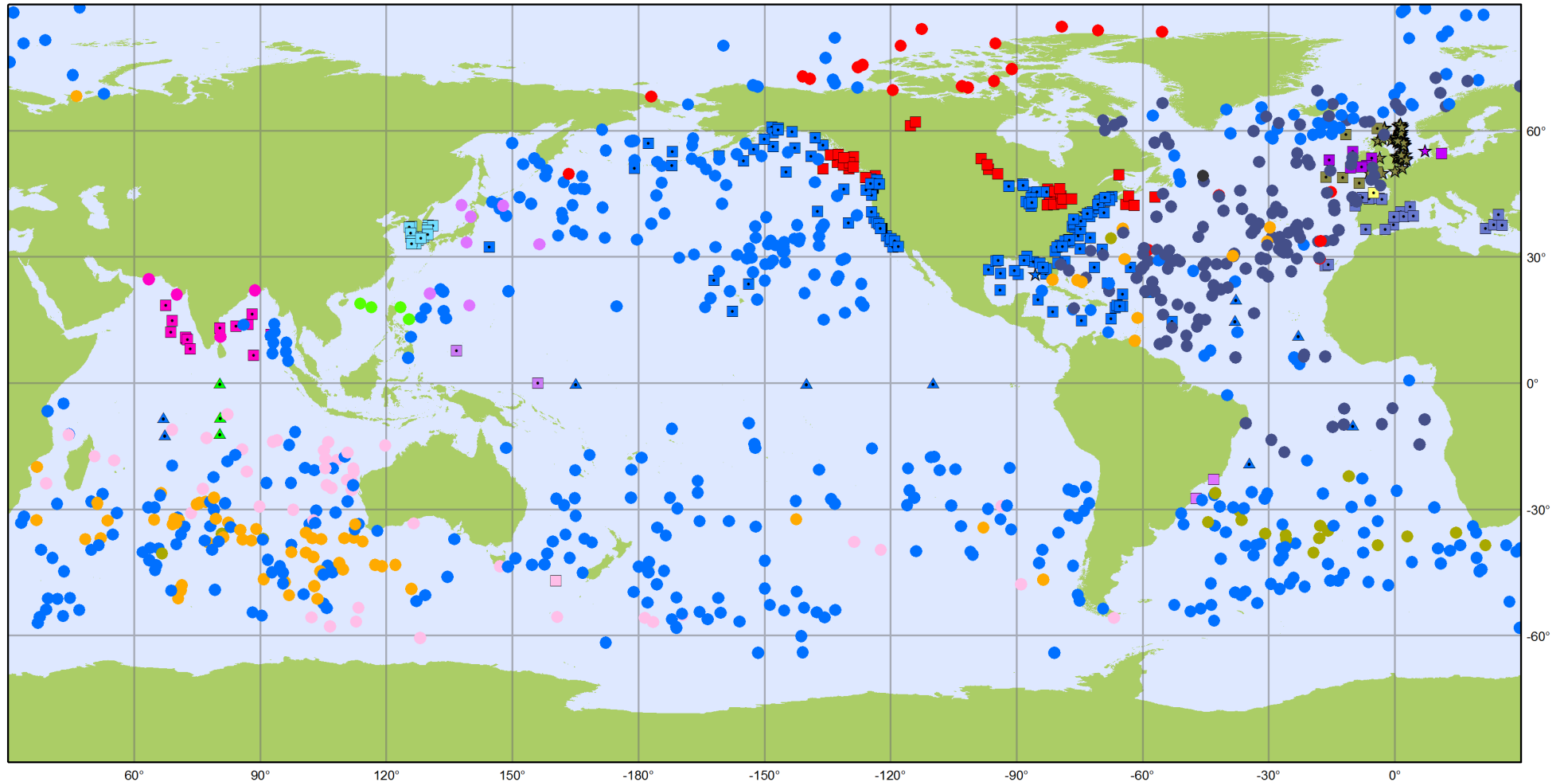
Argo

- Global scale, 2000m (6000m) depth T, S
- 30+ Countries



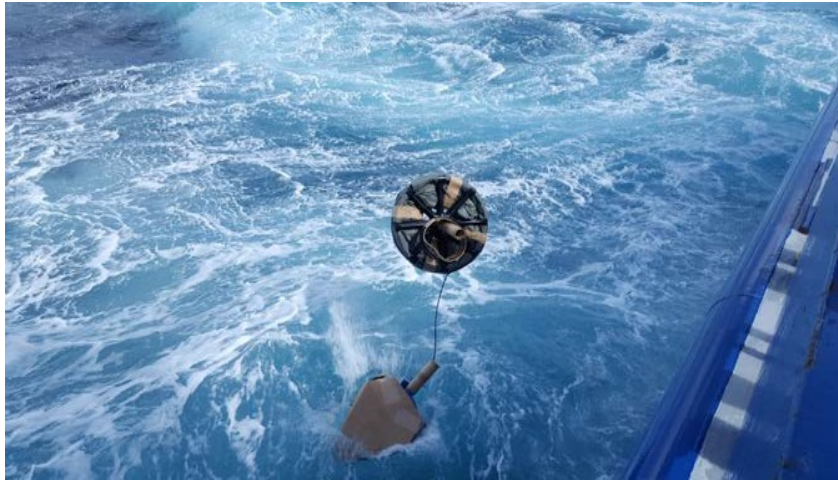
The Value of Global Ocean Observing – Weather

Drifter Sea Level Pressure



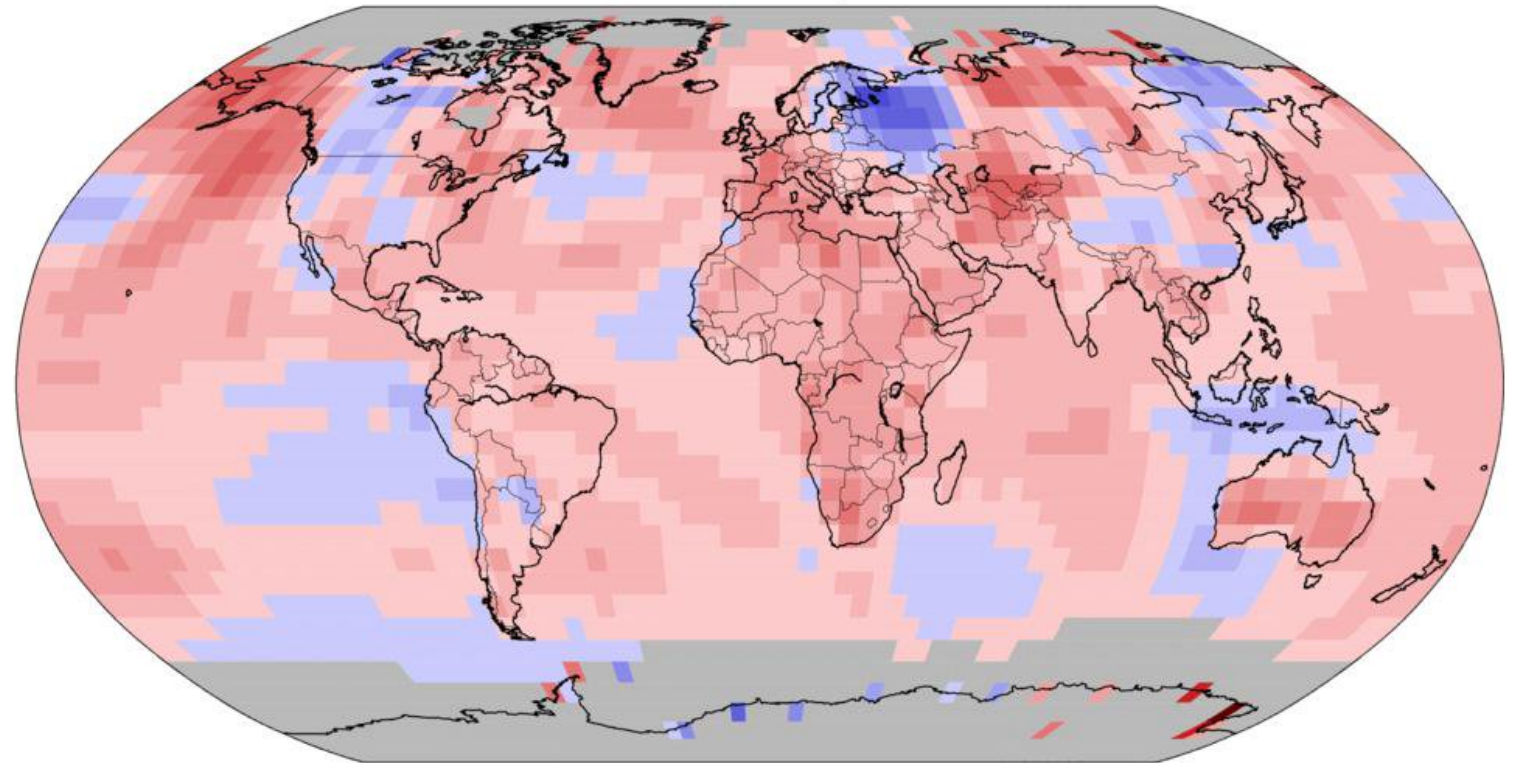
The Value of Global Ocean Observing – Satellite Validation

Drifter SST



Land & Ocean Temperature Departure from Average Jul 2019
(with respect to a 1981–2010 base period)

Data Source: NOAA GlobalTemp v5.0.0–20190808



National Centers for Environmental Information
GHCNM v4.0.1.20190806.qfe

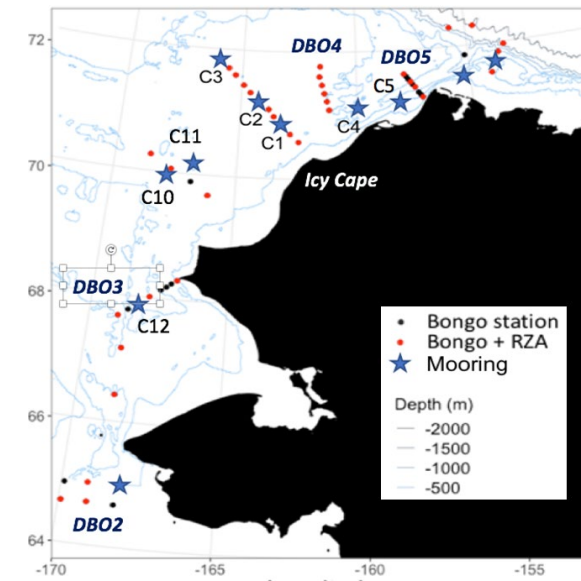
Degrees Celsius

Please Note: Gray areas represent missing data
Map Projection: Robinson

OOMD Sponsored Observing Networks

Argo, surface drifters,
RAMA, PIRATA,
Oceansites, GLOSS Tide
gauges (int'l and US),
SOOP/XBT, gliders,
SOCONET, GO-SHIP, ...

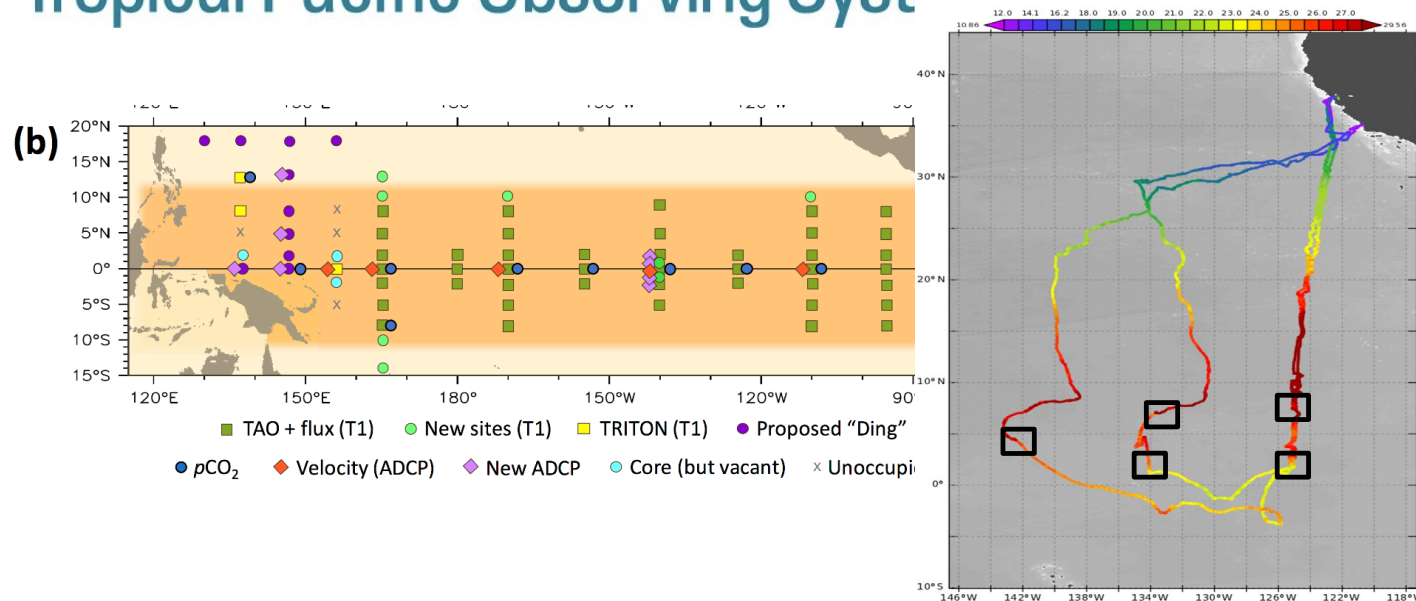
Arctic: DBO, Sea Ice Buoys,
Saildrone



The Future – Partnership Opportunities

Regional Observing Planning

Arctic Ocean Observing



AtlantOS

Biogeochemical Observing Platforms

- **Argo:** Oxygen, nitrate, pH, particulates *chlorophyll*
- **OceanSITES/Moorings:** $p\text{CO}_2$, oxygen, nutrients, particulates, *phytoplankton, chlorophyll*
- **Gliders/Saildrone:** Oxygen, chlorophyll, $p\text{CO}_2$
- **GO-SHIP:** DIC, TAlk, pH, oxygen, nitrate, phosphate, silicate, *chlorophyll, primary production*

Next steps: Incorporation of Biological Essential Ocean Variables (EOVs) (e.g., biological standing stock, diversity, biological rates and fluxes).



Newly Supported BGC Argo Initiatives \$4M

Four new projects were funded in 2019:
Two projects partner with technology companies, Sea Bird Scientific and MRV, to refine biogeochemical (BGC) Argo float designs and deploy ~20 floats in the Tropical Pacific, an important region for understanding the ocean's role in the global carbon cycle.

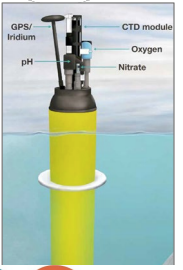
Two pilot projects to deploy BGC Argo floats and use the resulting information to describe ocean chemistry changes in the California Current Large Marine Ecosystem and northwest Atlantic ocean — both significant areas for fisheries.

Potential Foci of the Future...of interest to IOOS

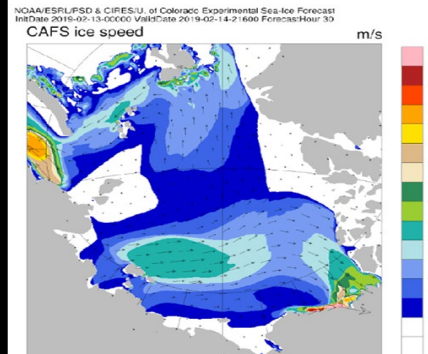
Global Ocean Observing and Monitoring (GOMO)



- Expansion of biogeochemical measurements
- Global-coastal ocean connections (e.g. boundary currents)
- Regional/basin-scale observing/prediction
- Extremes – hurricanes, heat waves, etc.
- Deep
- Improving NOAA modeling enterprise (data accountability, ODA)



TPES 2020
Tropical Pacific Observing System



Thank You!



EXTRA



Attributes: maturity level

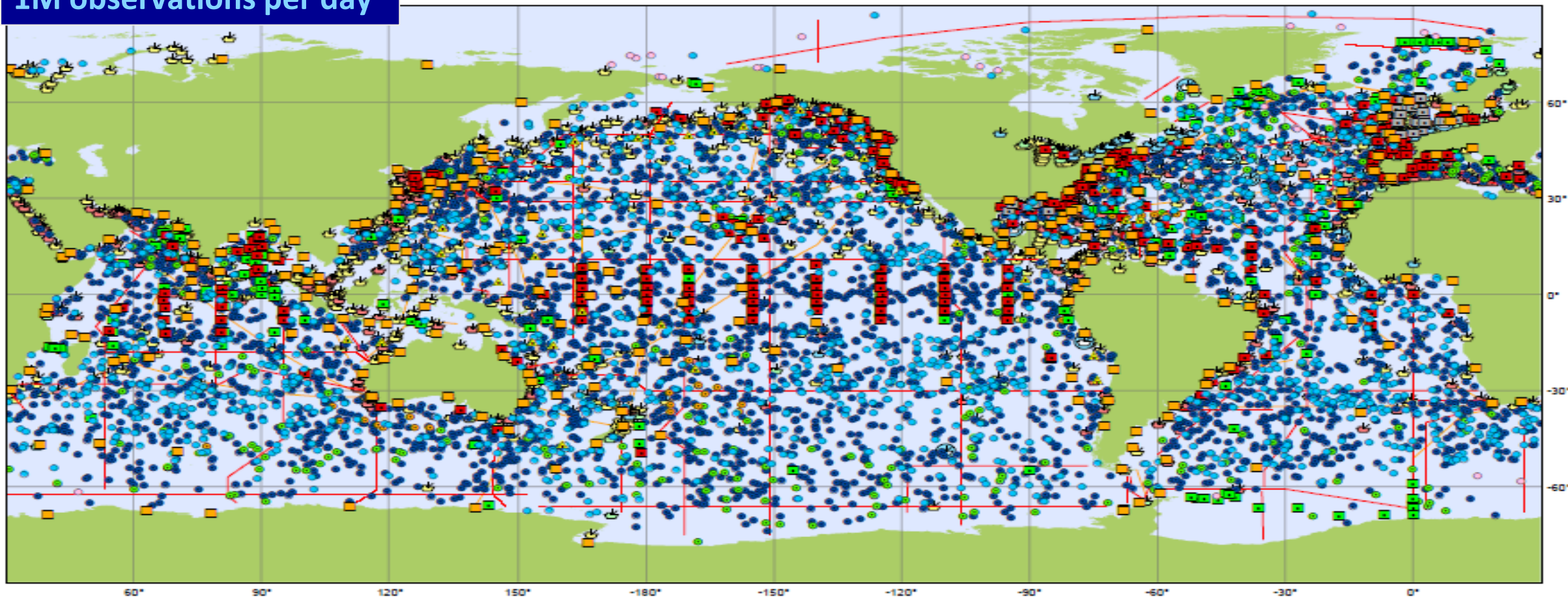
Mature
 Developing
 Pilot

	Global	Sustained	Community	EOV / ECV	Data delivery	Mission / targets	Best Practices
Argo				↑			
DBCP moorings							
DBCP drifters				↑			
SOT VOS							
SOT SOOP							
GLOSS							
OceanSITES							
GO-SHIP				↑			
OceanGliders				↑			
HF Radar							
Animal Borne Sensors							

Global In-Situ Sustained Ocean Observing



1M observations per day

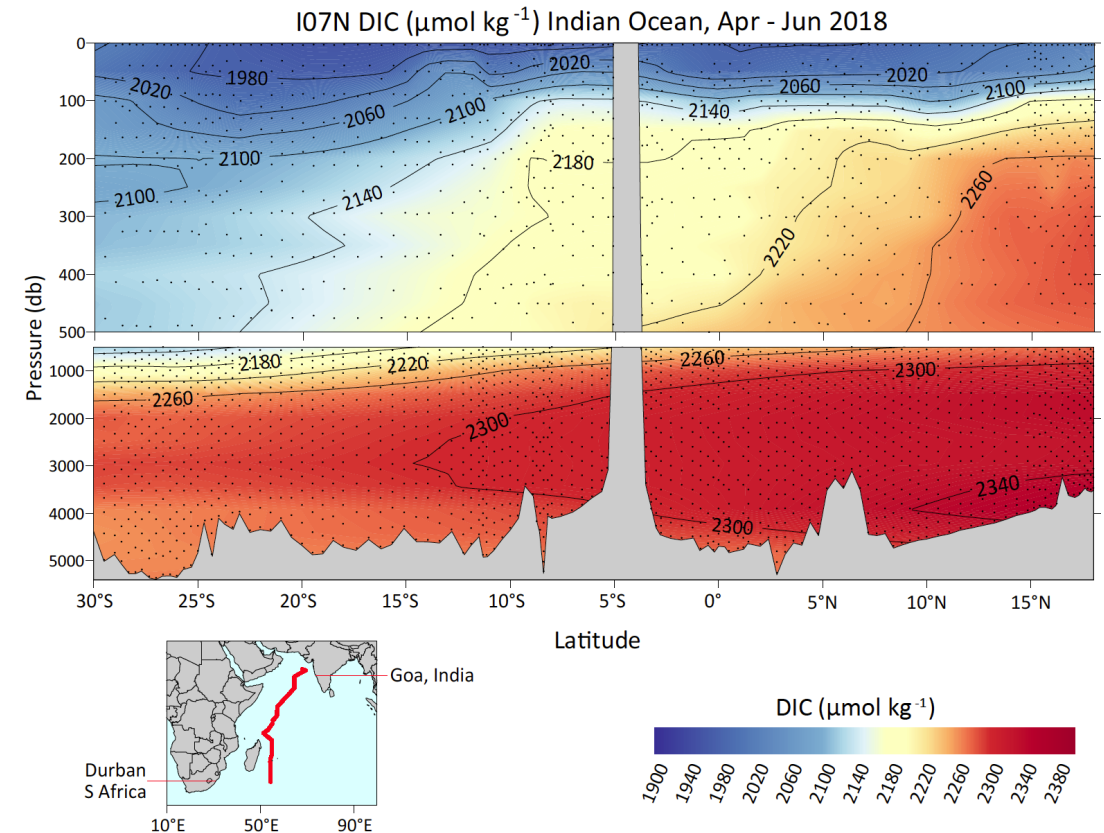
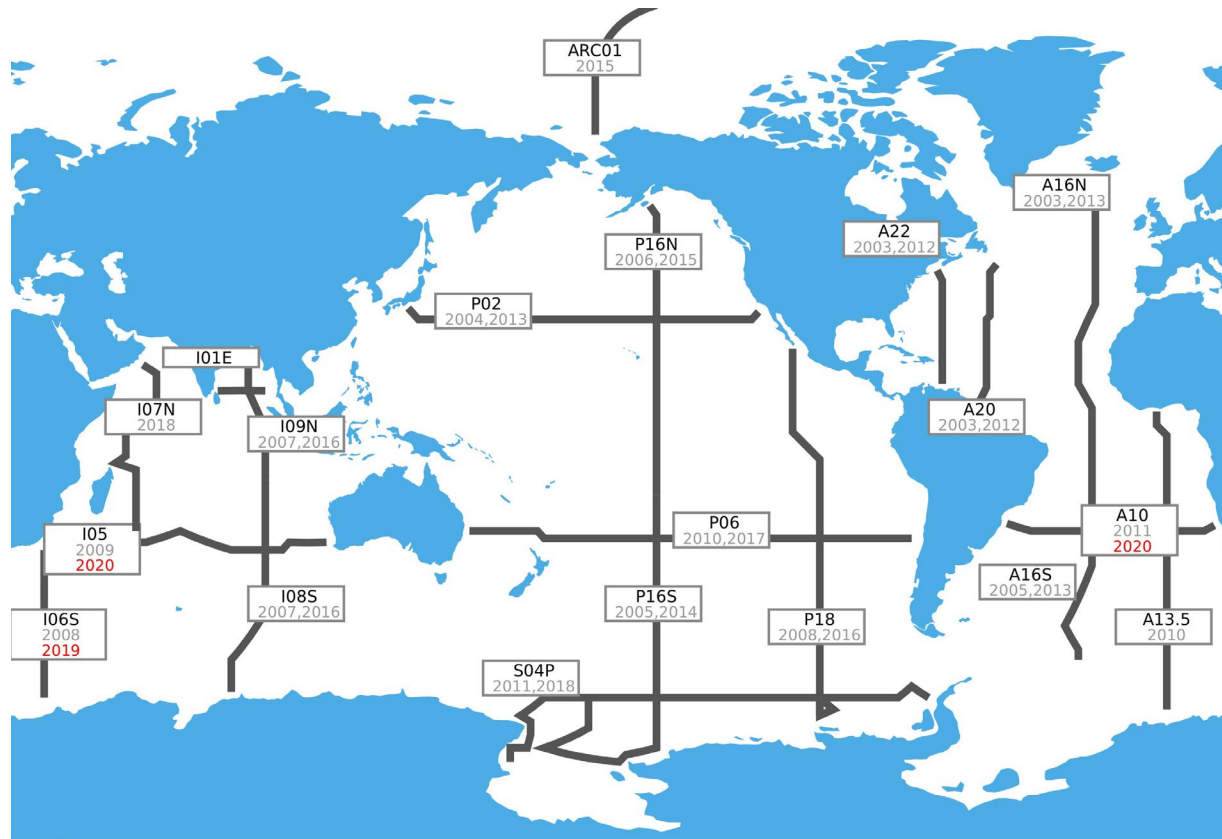


FOCUS: Beyond the continental shelf

The Value of Global Ocean Observing



Reference Measurements of the Water Column



What's New

Wave Drifters



Directional
Wave Spectra
from drifters



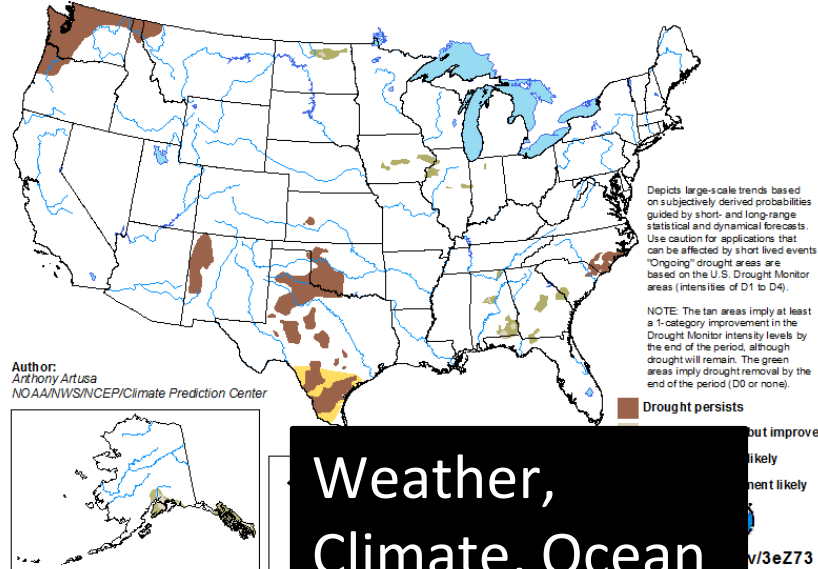
Essential ocean variables:

temperature, salinity, sea –level, currents/circulation, carbon/pH, sea-ice, air-sea fluxes, waves, ocean acoustics, and surface meteorology

Global Ocean Data: Foundation for Key Products and Services

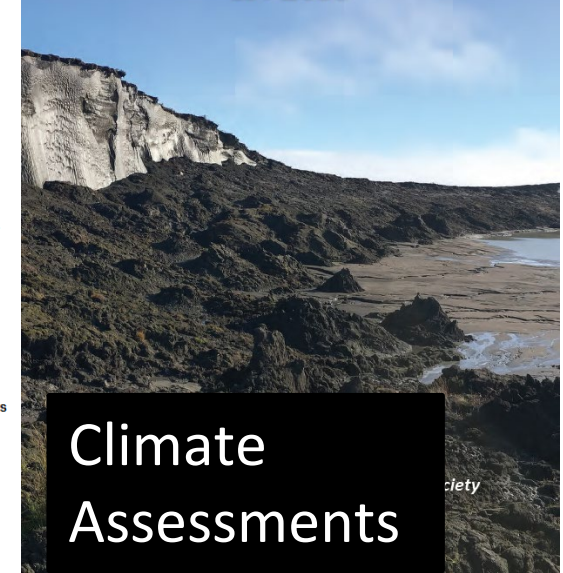
U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for August 15 - November 30, 2019
Released August 15

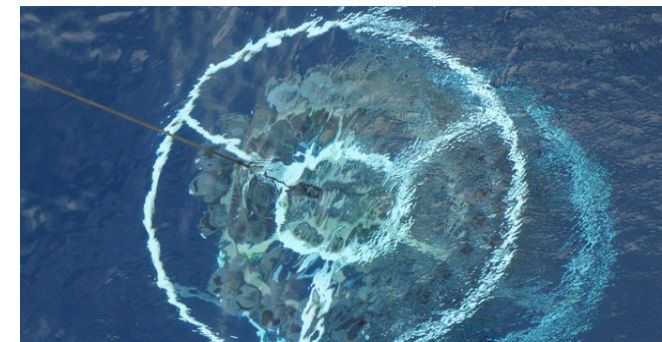


Weather,
Climate, Ocean
Forecasts

STATE OF THE CLIMATE IN 2018



Climate
Assessments



World Ocean Database

Biogeochemical Argo

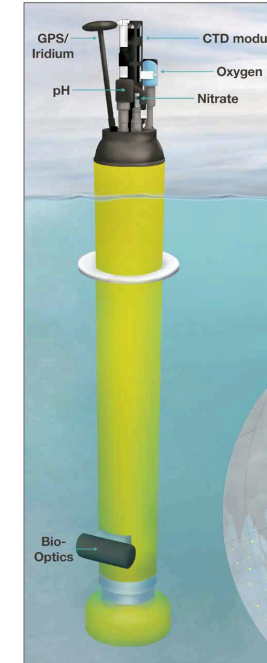
\$4.2 New (FY19) funding

2 regional pilot studies

- California Current
- Bermuda Atlantic Time Series

PLUS: Improving BGC float technology

- 15-20 floats for TPOS2020



We need a **step change** in ocean observing

We will need :

- Growing **integrated** observing capacity
- Proliferation of output systems
- Improved connection from observations to users

We struggle to get the recognition and support required to build and sustain the ocean observing, data and information system the world needs.





Value chain

Requires feedback loops to ensure the system is fit for purpose and sustained