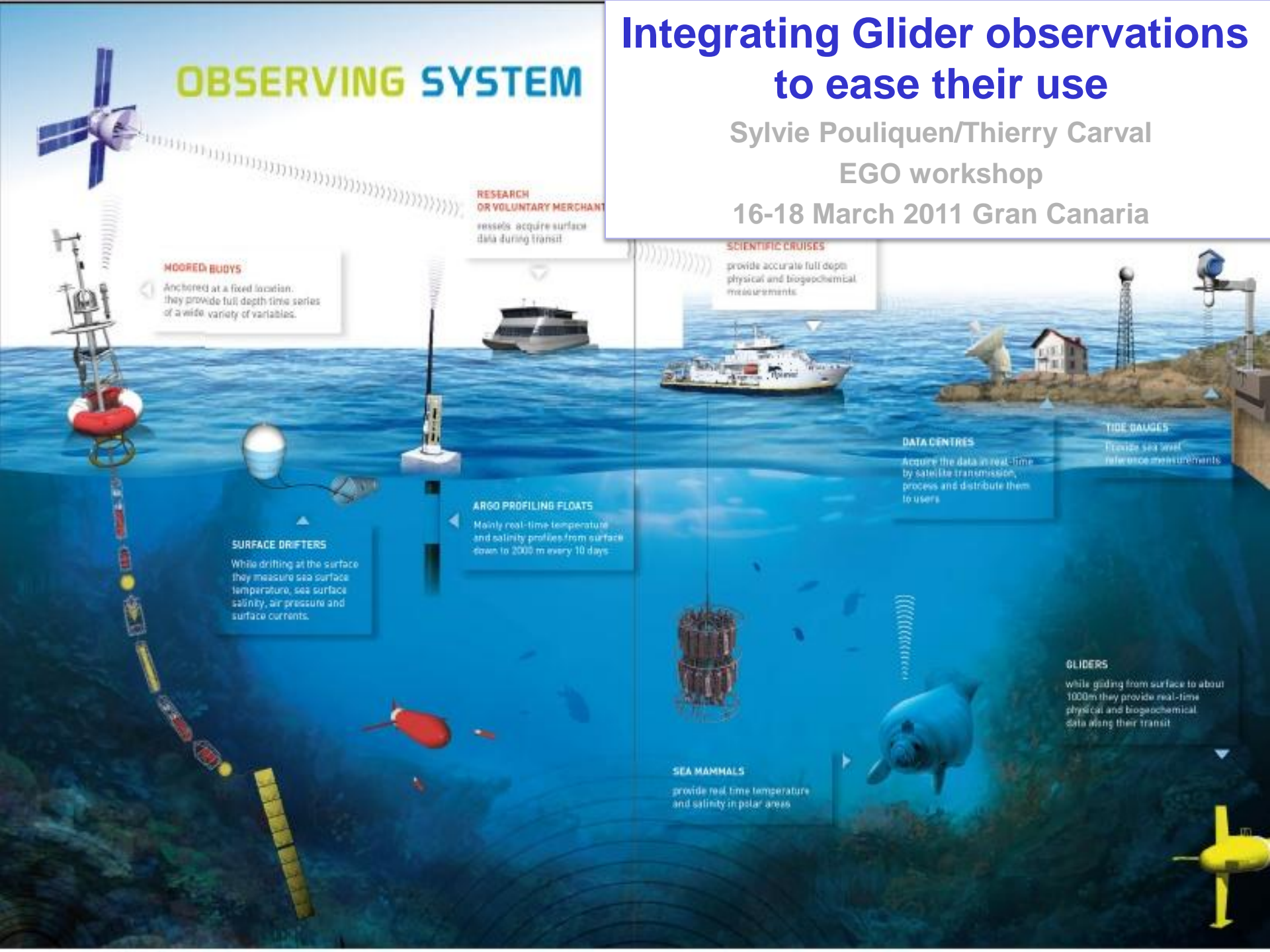


Integrating Glider observations to ease their use

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What does a user expect from an observing network ?

- **Data accessible easily from a unique point**
- **Data coherent in term of :**
 - ⇒ Data format
 - ⇒ Data Quality
 - ⇒ Processing chain (clearly documented)
- **Additional requirements for Monitoring and forecasting users**
 - ⇒ Data are available in near real time (within less than 24 hours)
 - ⇒ Data are available in delayed mode after calibration and /or validation

What do stakeholders expect from an observing network ?

- Get more observations than they could afford alone
- Operate jointly part of the network
- Benefit from the other partners' experience from design to implementation to data management and user uptake

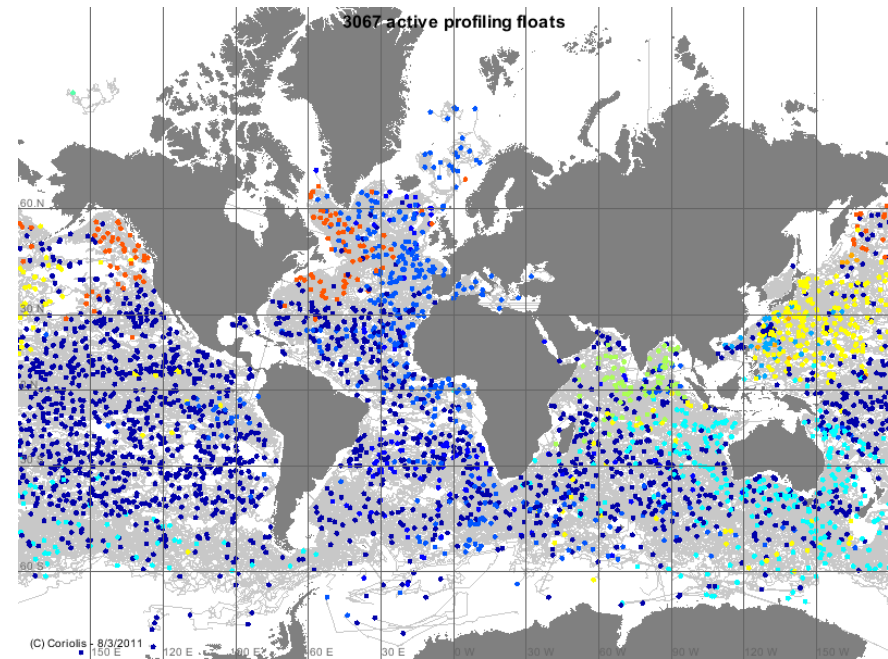
A key sentence for payers :

Acquire once Use multiple ?

Some success stories in the marine domain

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- **Argo** : more than 3000 floats sampling T & S on the global ocean from surface to 2000m on a 3°x3° grid

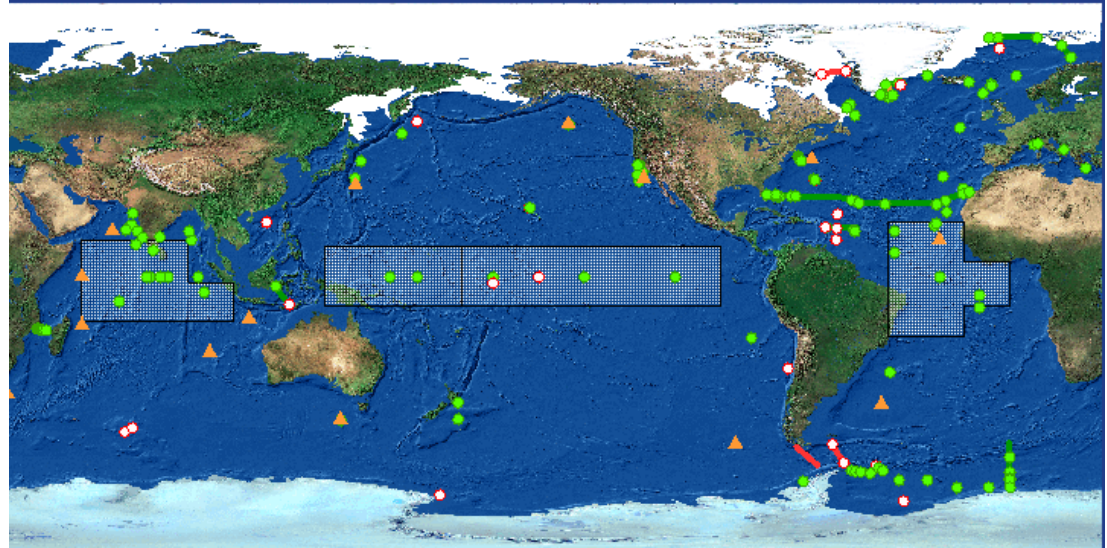


- Both **Information, Scientific and Data management** activities organized since the start of Argo
- **Coordination of the deployments** at international level
- Two single **portals** (GDACS), synchronizing themselves, to get **best copy of the Argo data in a unique format**
- **Common methods** for Quality control in real-time AND Delayed mode
- Organising sustainability in Europe through Euro-Argo ERIC (European Research Infrastructure Consortium)

Some success stories in the marine domain

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OceanSites : 60 reference multi-parameter sites for the global ocean from surface to bottom providing long time-series



- Starting long time ago as independent research sites
- Recently set up 2 single **portals** (GDAC) to get best copy of the OceanSites data in a unique format
- **Working on Common methods for Quality control in real-time** first but also in Delayed mode
- Organising sustainability in Europe through Euro-Sites consortium

What About Gliders

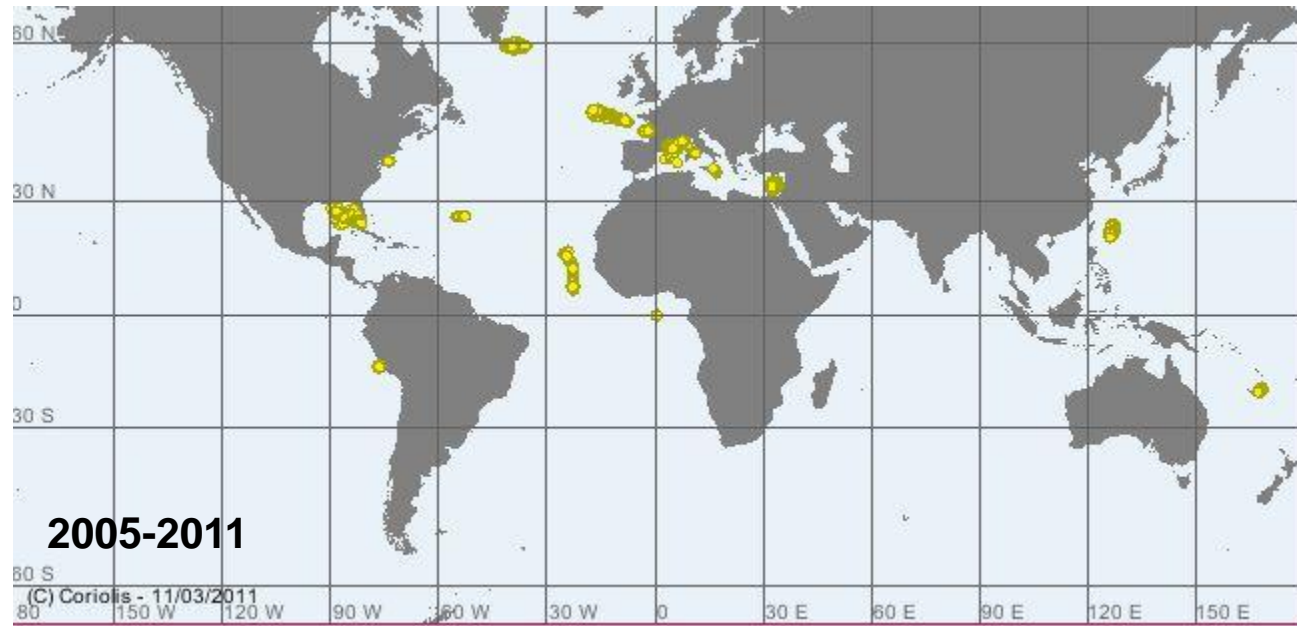
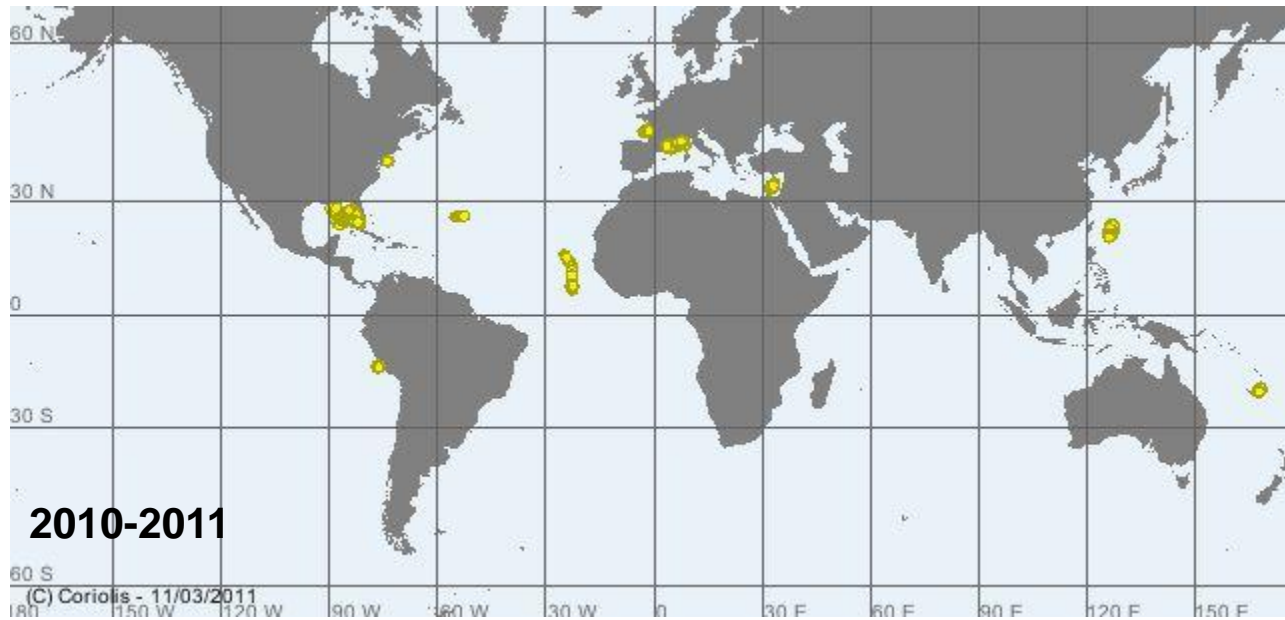
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- As for OceanSites , Glider activities are presently **driven by individual research drivers**
- As for Argo and some OceanSites Sites , Gliders can **deliver real-time data for core parameters** (T, S Current , Chl, O2) that are useful for both research an operational users
- Commonality with these two networks should be used for
 - ⇒ **Developing integrated Data Management system**
 - ⇒ **Common Data format to users**
 - ⇒ **Real –time QC of core parameters**
- Gliders are **complementary to other platforms and synergy** should be developed
 - ⇒ Developing a deployment strategy for other needs than pure research (ie. GMES Marine Core Service in Europe)

- **Set up a prototype GDAC FTP with the Glider data available at Coriolis**
- **Use the OceanSites NetCDF format**
- **First integrate as much Metadata (Who, What, When, Where, How) as possible in the global attributes of the NetCDF files**
- **Second study with OceanSites SensorML a more complete platform description (still progressing)**



























A first prototype of Glider GDAC exists

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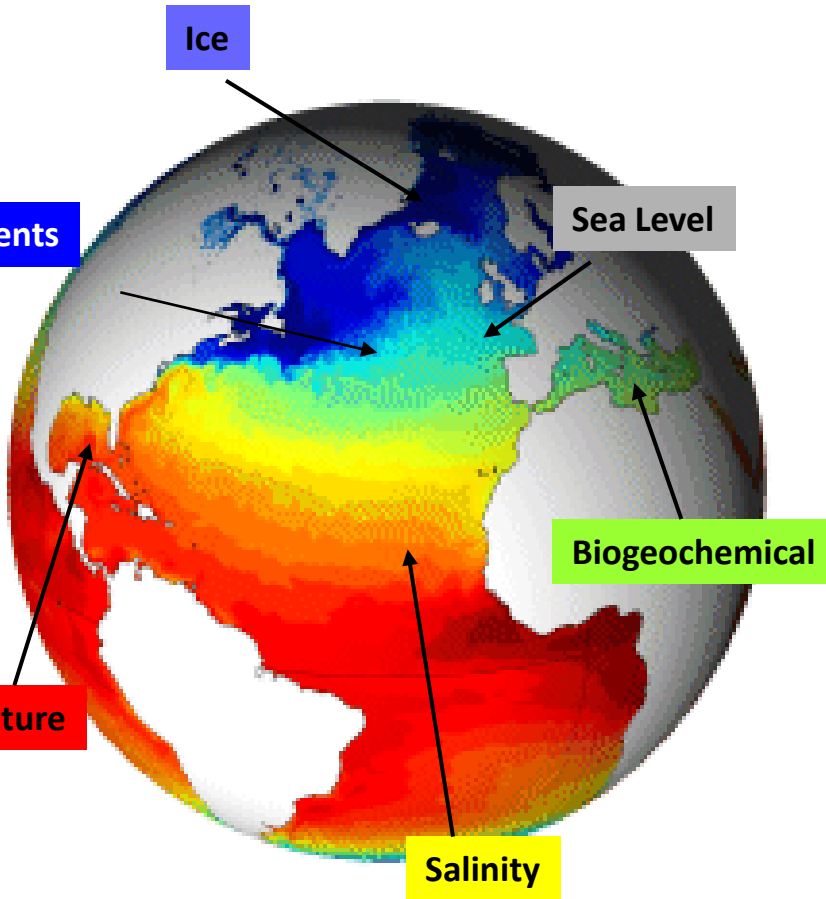
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- 25 different Gliders (mainly EU) **Very few compared with the number deployed ...But a lot on a best effort basis already**
- About 10 Institutes
- Updated daily (Real Time data)
- Argo RTQC applied on T& S

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A **3D** and **dynamic**
vision of the ocean

These Glider
Observations
acquired for
Research studies
already found
their path to
Operational
Users in Europe

Arctic: IMR / Norway

- All parameters

Baltic Sea: SMHI/Sweden

- Temp & Salinity : BSH/Germany
- Current: SMHI/Sweden
- Sea Level: DMI/Denmark
- Bio : FMI-Syke/Finland

North West Shelves: BSH/Germany

- Temp & Salinity : BSH/Germany
- Current: SMHI/Sweden
- Sea Level: DMI/Denmark

Black Sea IOBAS/Bulgaria

- All parameters

Mediterranean Sea : HCMR/Greece

- Mooring : HCMR/Greece
- XBT/CTD: ENEA/Italy
- Drifter & Argo: OGS/Italy
- Glider and Argo: Coriolis/France

South West Shelves: Puertos Del Estado/Spain

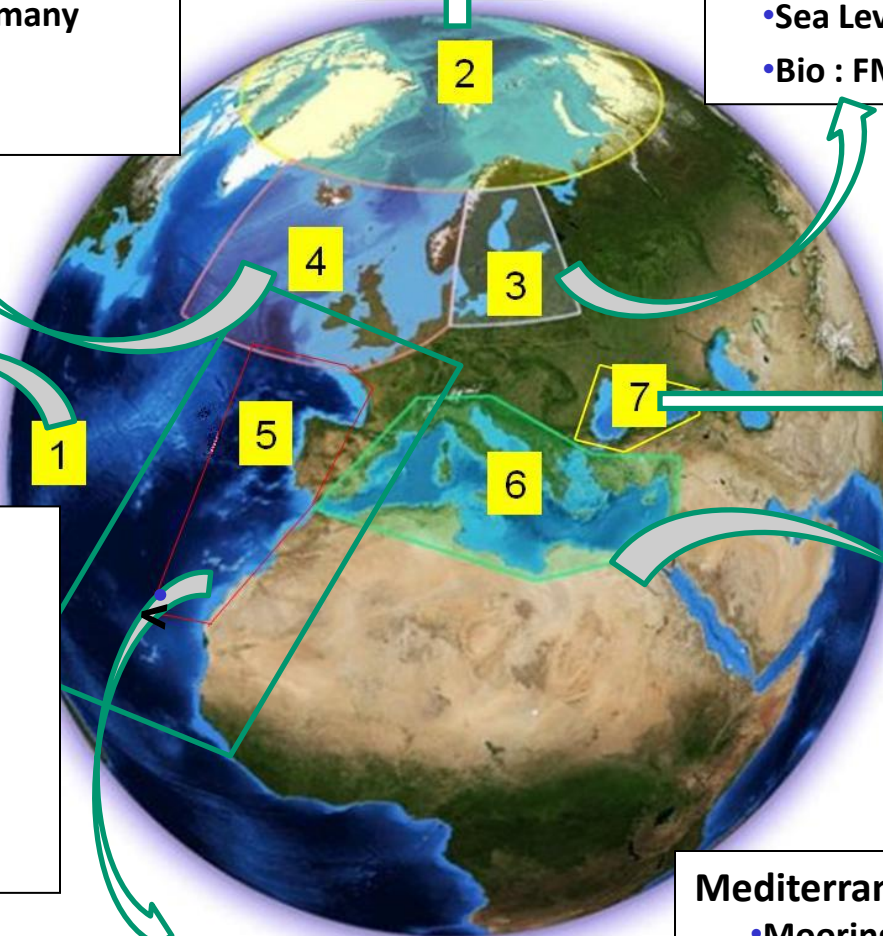
- Mooring : PdE
- Underway data: Coriolis/France (include Glider)

Global Ocean : Coriolis/Fr

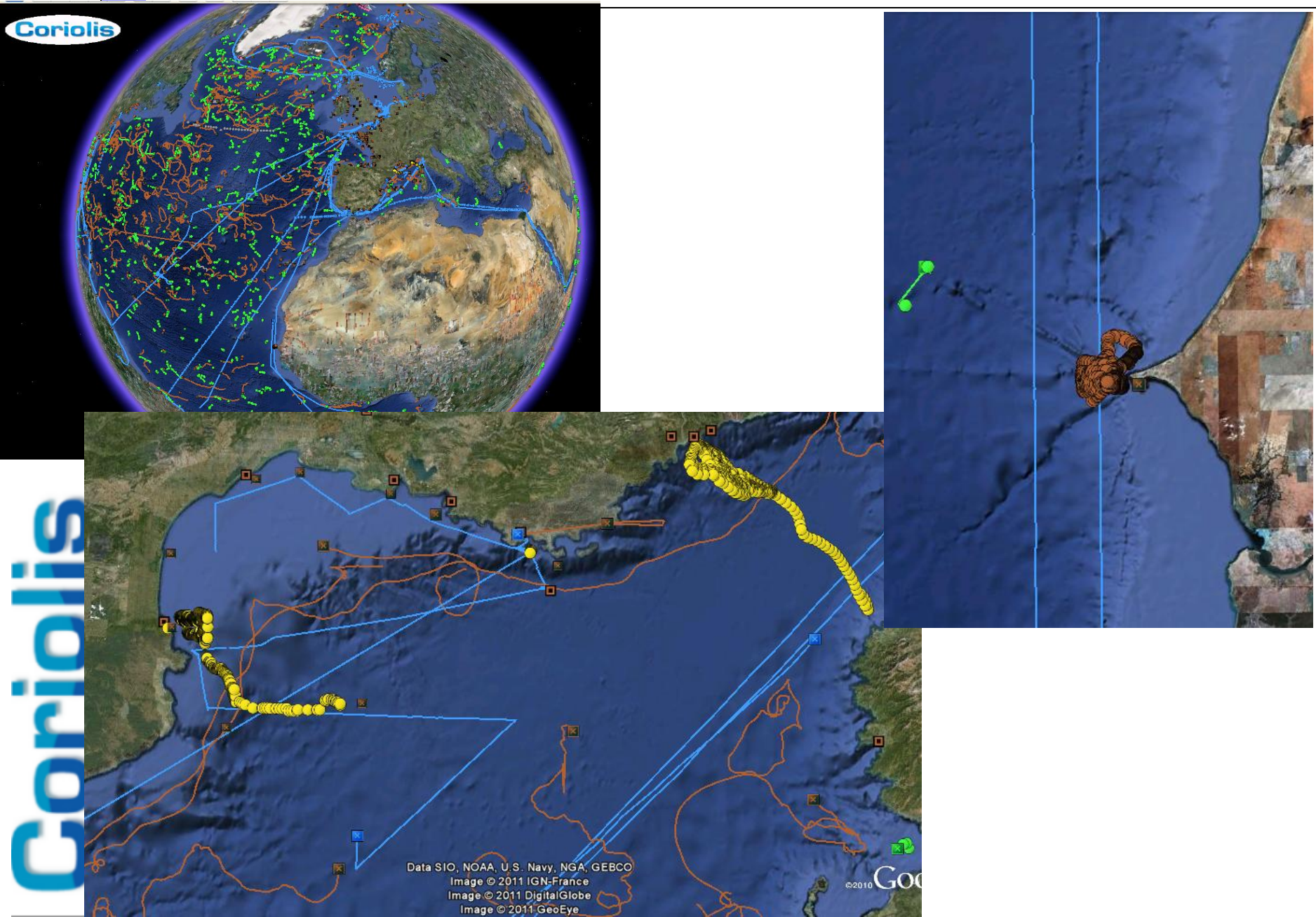
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- Link with international networks: Coriolis/France
- Argo: Coriolis,BODC,BSH
- European Vessels: NIVA/Norway

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Next Steps for Integrated Data Management of aGlobal Glider network

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- **Organize the data management activities both**
 - ⇒at international level including the link to JCOMM
 - ⇒at regional level (ie EU level within GROOM FP7 project if funded)
 - ⇒With link with a Glider steering/science team that would provide the priorities for the network and develop the scientific procedure that need to be implemented by the Data management system
- **Set up a Glider Data Management team that would involve the Glider data managers of the Institutes operating gliders that want to be part a global Glider network**

Next Steps for Integrated Data Management of a Global Glider network

- **Define terms of reference for this group that could contain**
 - ⇒ Definition of the data management elements and their role
 - ⇒ Definition common parameters that would be delivered by all members to be part of the network
 - ⇒ Define dissemination services
 - ⇒ Define Real-Time data stream and Real Time Quality Control procedures
 - ⇒ Define how to deliver delay mode data at least for the data delivered in Real Time
 - ⇒ Define Delayed mode data stream and common procedures for core parameters
 - ⇒ Organize the links with the Argo and OceanSites data management teams to guaranty interoperability
 - ⇒ ???