

FORUM FOR COASTAL TECHNOLOGIES

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ACTIVITIES TO BEGIN A EUROPEAN FCT

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2005: J.Legrand and G.Nolan attended ACT workshop in Portland, Maine.

2006/2007: FCT type entity became an objective of the EuroGOOS Technology Plan Working Group

2007: EuroGOOS hosted TPWG event in Trieste (strong company participation and some collaborations)

2006-2011: Several attempts to get the FCT going (Chris Galienne, Jesus Cisneros (COST) and others)

2011-Present: Stefania Sparnocchia maintained links

2011 onwards: Opportunity through JERICO to start the initiative



TERMS OF REFERENCE (FROM EUROGOOS)

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Identify existing technology which is adequately developed and tested to support operational oceanography

Identify new technology which is under development and which is needed by EuroGOOS

Identify gaps in technology which are problematic and which need to be resolved in the foreseeable future.

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WHY ARE WE ALL HERE?

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"objective of the FCT is to provide a forum for the marine sensor user community

and sensor industries to regularly exchange information about user requirements and technological developments"

PROGRESS TO DATE



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Forum for Coastal Technologies has been established under JERICO

First questionnaire released in 2011 (positive response).

Web presence developed

Initial contact made with cohort of manufacturers

EXPECTED OUTCOMES



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Industry awareness of the Forum for Coastal Technologies

Participation and feedback on future questionnaires

Collaboration between industry and the research community (funding calls, joint R&D)