

# Technology: future directions, operations, sensors, platforms and support

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## Summary of yesterday/today discussions

There are general and strong needs:

- 1) Have a better visibility for gliders activity
- 2) Show our EU group can function as a distributed architecture (www) – at the same level as IMOS, IOOS,...
- 3) Have a common framework for legal issues
- 4) Better share technical information (forum, questionnaires, reports collection...)
- 5) Better analyze the technical data
- 6) Better share tools/procedures used for glider setup, deployment, piloting, recovery, calibration.

# future directions, visibility

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Have a better **visibility** for gliders activity:

- 1) Need for a **common** scientific objective (MFSD/cross slope exchanges? ...) and better advertise the initiatives.
- 2) Shame for gliders on **European/global maps!!!**

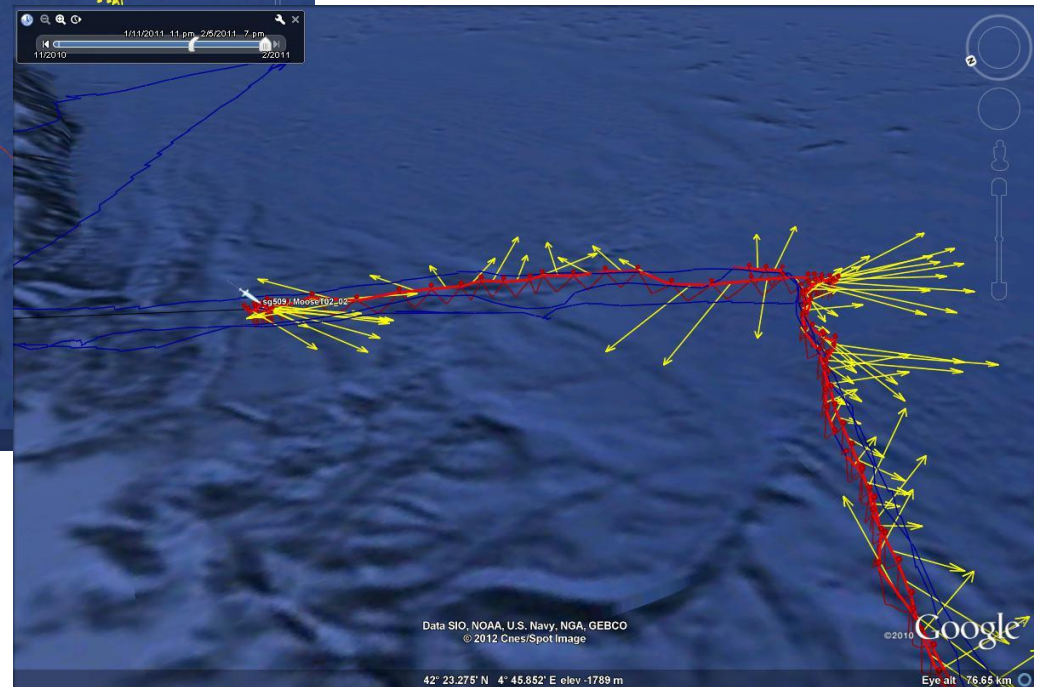
How to achieve that:

- Show/advertise a common scientific objective (improve “outreach, dissemination, www” and the elaboration of a joint proposal in 2-3 years)
- Make publicly available at least the positions/trajectories of the gliders with some meta information.
- Make publicly available (raw/ascii) real-time data. Different platforms/format but ‘only’ need to setup a single EU repository (or several) and use existing scripts.

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- single kml/mkz format (what about the currents?)



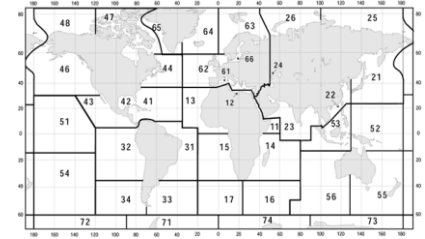
- Problem of the data ownership... There are tools for permission to be asked to the PI before the use of the scientific data. That could be set up through meta information specifications.

# future directions, legal framework

Only possible with a clear (global, Argo-like) data policy.  
Build on what already exists.

If data (T/S profiles) are pushed to the GTS (Coriolis,...),  
gliders/deployments get WMO numbers.

<http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/amp/mmop/wmo-number-rules.html> (gliders!)



It is then considered as any of the other ‘not-that-dangerous’ platforms but  
providing great benefits to the world community through NWP. Umbrella.

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## *The IOC*

**Considering that** (...) **Considering further** that the Argo project shall be fully consistent with UNCLOS,  
**Noting** the absence of a specific international legal instrument regulating profiling floats, drifting buoys, and other similar objects deployed in the oceans,

**Recognizing that:** i. just as with existing surface drifting buoys, some of these new instruments may drift into waters under national jurisdiction,

(...)

**Accepts** the Argo project as an important contribution to the operational ocean observing system of GOOS and GCOS, as well as a major contribution to CLIVAR and other scientific research programmes;

(...)

**Concludes** that **concerned coastal states must be informed in advance, through appropriate channels, of all deployments of profiling floats which might drift into waters under their jurisdiction, indicating the exact locations of such deployments,**

[http://argo.jcommops.org/IOC\\_Resolution\\_XX-6.html](http://argo.jcommops.org/IOC_Resolution_XX-6.html)

<http://www.jcommops.org/FTPRoot/Argo/Doc/XLI-4.pdf> (...)

need for lights?

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Better share technical information (forum, questionnaires, reports collection...)

need incident reports to upload date-hour-unit author 2 keywords max. but more for internal read access but posting only for users. pb of the main authority pb of duplication. urgent public on the web. pressure on the manufacturer

Last year (maybe 2): Technical reports to provide and made available on the web. use english anyway

Deadline, piles of report

to be organized: 1 post on a forum with report attached and 3 keywords.

1) lab problem

2) mission problems

WG glider loss form

WG mission end form

WG lab trouble form Laurent, Carlos, Marc, David.

2 levels of information

answers of forms not publicly available.

everything public.

Note pour dire au gens ou uploader les reports.

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Better analyse the technical data

High level indicators (questionnaires)

Technical data must be available for GROOM studies on a large variety of deployments (reliable conclusions). A waste to develop a specific format and data flow for that (decimated scientific data?). Likely, we will have to re-do it again if only a limited number of variables are considered for storage.

Again, the preferred solution is a Gentle(wo)man Agreement (or a MoU?) about the exploitation of the data.

Better define best practise. Final products are comparable.

Goal would also be to 'publish' a paper on our glider database (hamornization, QC, studies,...)

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Better share tools/procedures used for  
glider setup, deployment, piloting, recovery, calibration.

Setup: mission planning (satellite/model data) – configuration, sampling plans, risks/costs (time spent at surface), AIS

Deployment: from large vessels/rough conditions. There are already some tools that have been developed.

Recovery: from large vessels/rough conditions.  
a BUGS system providing directions/maps to the ship (including information sent from land and radiowave devices) is needed for recovery by third parties (emergencies). Integrated iridium phone and/or ship mail system ?



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Piloting: daily ops vs night coverage

- unattended, real on alert, regular control
- Log of all interventions

Communications:

- need for backup land stations (basestation/dockserver/groundstation) shared by EU partners? (pain to setup and has to be delocalized for safety)
- Why not primary ones?
- recover NRT files that were not correctly transmitted... or not.

Processing/calibration, visualization, operational routines:

- path planning
- visualization scripts
- matlab toolbox - Sunke Schmidt in 3 weeks. ask the time stamps for the measurements. 30% reduction for lifetime. different processors for seagliders.
- igloo
- bugs
- www
- matlab scripts etc...

We need for at least a common repository for scripts.

# future directions, www visibility

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[www.ego-network.org](http://www.ego-network.org)

international **user group** started in 2005 (EGO-0, Palma), includes EU, USA, Canada, South Africa, Australia,...

[www.ego-cost.eu](http://www.ego-cost.eu)

3-year networking project EU and international

[www.groom-fp7.eu](http://www.groom-fp7.eu)

3-year EU design study

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[www.jerico-fp7.eu](http://www.jerico-fp7.eu)

4-year EU RI project

[www.xyz.eu/abcr/.../org](http://www.xyz.eu/abcr/.../org)

different eu/national science/outreach projects with gliders

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*Developing a new observational capacity for process studies and operational monitoring of the ocean physics and biogeochemistry with gliders.*

## Welcome to the EGO website

This site is dedicated to the **promotion of the glider technology and its applications.**

The EGO group promotes glider applications through coordination, training, liaison between providers and users, advocacy, and provision of expert advice.

We intend to favor oceanographic experiments and the operational monitoring of the oceans with gliders through scientific and international collaboration. We provide news, support, information about **glider projects** and **glider data management**, as well as **resources** related to gliders.

If you use the glider technology (or plan to use it), please first register to have full access to this website and contact us if you want to contribute.



talking with a glider 15nm away through radio waves from a 300m-height cliff

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## News

### ■ Second EU-Australia workshop on research infrastructure, 26-27 June 2012, Brussels

Following last year's very successful EU-AUS Research Infrastructure workshop, a further one on 26-27 June is organ ...  
(Edited on 28.04.12 ... [Read all](#))

### ■ Glider Swarm Experiment in the Mediterranean - coordination meeting, 30 May 2012, Brussels

Starting in autumn 2012, there will be several experiments with gliders in the northwestern Mediterranean Sea, conducted ...  
(Edited on 28.04.12 ... [Read all](#))

### ■ EGO/GROOM article published in the Mercator/Coriolis newsletter N.8

Towards a global glider infrastructure for the benefit of marine research and operational oceanography. Download at htt ...  
(Edited on 13.04.12 ... [Read all](#))

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## Selected documents

### Stommel's vision in 1989

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The concept of underwater gliders just emerged in the late 80's and Henry Stommel anticipated their development and their use. He wrote a very nice "science fiction" article which was published in Oceanography, April 1989, see [Stommel H. \(1989\) The Slocum Mission](#). In looking back on Stommel's 1989 article anticipating autonomous gliders, we marvel at how much of what followed he had predicted.

### OceanObs'99 vision for gliders

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While gliders were being developed and successfully passing first tests, their potential use for ocean research started to be discussed in international conferences. See the [OceanObs99 Conference Statement - UNESCO](#):

*"(...) In terms of specific need, the Conference noted that gliders (self-steered profiling floats) offered a potential effective solution for repeated sampling through narrow, swift boundary currents. (...)"*

*" (...) Technological advances help us improve cost-effectiveness, sampling, and distribution. For example, the expected maturity of autonomous underwater vehicles either through passive techniques, such as gliders, or active systems will change the abilities or plans for Argo. (...)"*

### The development of underwater gliders

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After the prototype phase, the three different operational gliders were presented by their designers in [Davis et al \(2003\)](#) and applications to ocean research in [Rudnick et al. \(2004\)](#).

### OceanObs'09 Community White Paper

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First results of glider experiments span several subjects. Since flying gliders allows to resolve a wide range of spatial and temporal scales, one is generally amazed by the oceanic features they (and various sensors on-board) reveal. Glider data help us to better understand and characterize the oceanic variability and this concerns many physical and biogeochemical processes at large scale, mesoscale, and even submesoscale (from ~1000km horiz. and ~1month to ~1km horiz. and ~1hour). In addition, the assimilation of glider data in global or regional/coastal numerical models can significantly reduce the uncertainties of our ocean state estimates (physical and biogeochemical) and there is now a general agreement that gliders can make us enter into a new era in oceanography



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Here is a list of web sites/resources related to gliders. This includes links to glider manufacturers and glider websites, as well as to information about sensors and satellite/radio communications.

### Manufacturers

- Seaglider (UMV-APL)
- Seaglider (iRobot)
- Slocum (Teledyne WRC)
- Spray (SIO)
- Spray (Bluefin Robotics)

### Real time glider websites

- ANFOG
- Applied Physics Laboratory
- IFM-GEOMAR Gleiter
- IMEDEA TMOOS
- LPO gliders
- NOC Glider Homepage
- OC-UCY
- Rutgers University
- SAMS
- Scripps Institution of Oceanography
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### Glider informative websites

- AOSN II
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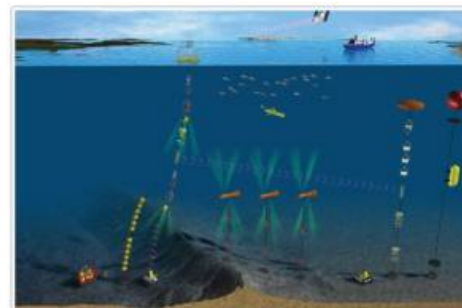
The glider activity at sea is here monitored at the global scale thanks to information provided by the glider operators (see [How to register a glider](#)). One can search through all the deployments registered in EGO and sort them according to dates, regions, glider types or names. In addition, we highlight some areas (observatories) where gliders are regularly deployed as well as, fleet ("swarm") experiments with several gliders operating simultaneously in the same area with a common scientific objective.

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### Research projects

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One could only witness the growing glider activity throughout the world since the pioneer deployments in the late 1990s. Worth mentioning are an impressive glider fleet demonstration which was carried out in 2003 in the framework of the experiment [Autonomous Ocean Sampling Network \(AOSN\) II](#) and several endurance lines that started to be maintained on both the West and East coasts of the USA. This activity has been growing in the USA since then, and in particular recently in the framework of the [Integrated Ocean Observing System \(IOOS\)](#). In 2004, in parallel to the development of the glider activity in the USA, the first European glider experiments were carried out in the framework of the European project [MFSTEP](#) of the Fifth Framework Programme (FP5). Later, the European FP6 p



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## EGO gliders deployments

List of the deployments achieved or currently running with the gliders of the [members](#) of the EGO network. One can sort the deployments not only according to the start and end dates but also according to the names of the glider, of the deployment, of the observatory. Click on the headers of the table below that are highlighted in blue to sort the table according to this column.

Glider	Type	Deployment	Lab.	Observatory	Start date	End date	Depth	# dives	Status
Sg508	SG	MooseT02_09	DT INSU	MED-global	2012-05-16	0000-00-00	ND	ND	Active
Sebastian	cSL	Helgo201202	HZG	ATL-COSYNA	2012-05-02	2012-05-22	ND	ND	Completed
Tintin	dSL	MooseT00_18	OOV-LOV	MED-Western	2012-04-18	2012-05-22	ND	ND	Completed
Sg509	SG	MooseT02_07	DT INSU	MED-Western	2012-04-02	2012-04-02	ND	ND	Completed
Hannon	dSL	MooseT02_08	LOCEAN	MED-global	2012-03-20	2012-03-23	ND	ND	Completed
Glider048	cSL	Fortune B...	MUN		2012-03-12	2012-05-09	ND	ND	Completed
Campe	dSL	Imedia	DT INSU	MED-Western	2012-03-05	2012-04-25	ND	ND	Completed
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Crate	cSL	Recette	DT INSU	MED-global	2011-12-02	2011-12-19	ND	ND	Completed
Tintin	dSL	MooseT00_15	OOV-LOV	MED-Western	2011-11-30	2011-12-30	ND	ND	Completed
Hannon	dSL	Tosca	LOCEAN	MED-Western	2011-11-29	2011-12-19	ND	ND	Completed
Tenuse	cSL	test	DT INSU	MED-global	2011-11-24	2011-11-30	ND	ND	Completed
Milou	dSL	MooseT00_14	OOV-LOV	MED-Western	2011-10-21	2011-12-06	ND	ND	Completed
Brain	SG	False Bay	CSIR	ATL-SOCCO	2011-10-19	2011-10-21	ND	ND	Completed
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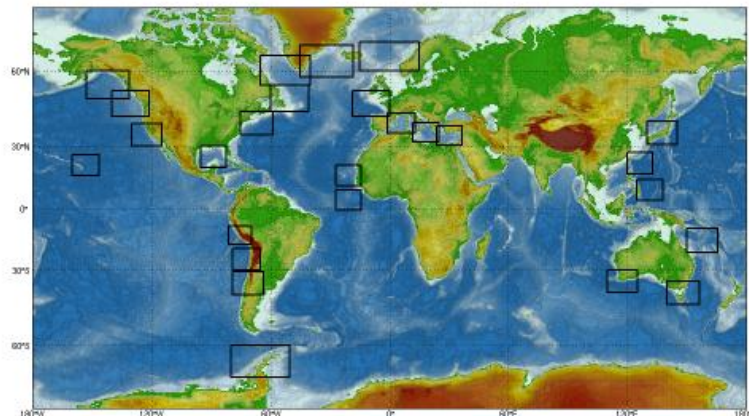
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Here, we present short descriptions of glider experiments sorted by regions and provide links to glider projects. Boxes below are about 1000kmx1000km and show where gliders projects have been carried out. They show areas where gliders have been already deployed at least once but they can also correspond to more sustained glider actions which are carried out in the framework of "observatories" or long-term time series acquisition projects that are so important for oceanographic research.

Please, choose your region of interest to get more information:



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## Data management

The EGO gliders can now appear at the Global Data Assembly Center Coriolis (see [EGO-gliders](#)) like the other components of the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS). A draft of a glider data management is available (see [EGO-Glider-data-management](#)) based on what has been designed for the [Argo data management](#) and the data quality control is now being extended from Temperature and Salinity to Fluorescence (ChlA) and Oxygen profiles as well (see [PABIM](#): status of the biogeochemical oceanic observations performed with autonomous platforms)

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automatic update of a global map showing the locations of the EGO gliders profiles of the last month:



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## Data access and download

Glider data can be visualized by browsing the right column of this site or through the section [Glider Activity](#).

Glider data can be downloaded thanks to the Coriolis Data Centre through a [data selection interface](#) or directly via [ftp](#) or [http](#). Kmz files for glider profiles geolocalisation are also available there:

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## Glider registration

The EGO website can help with the outreach of your deployments by simply advertising your glider activity here, display your glider data or even help you piloting your glider over the www. There are 3 options, depending on how you register your glider deployments :

1. A relatively simple [form to add a glider/deployment](#) would have to be filled for your deployment to be advertised in our EGO website. Basic elements such as the glider name, deployment name, (planned) start/end dates, region of the deployment, are the minimum metadata for a convenient management of the information and advertisement of your glider activity. Note, once a deployment is 'started', your glider will blink red (until it is 'stopped') in the right column of this web site.
2. Further information would have to be provided in case you want to use the EGO servers to display your gliders data (seaglider, slocum, or spray) in real-time or in delayed mode. This option makes use of the [Glider Fleet Control Panel \(GFCP\)](#). The raw data would have to be available via ftp, email, or ssh to our EGO servers. This could also be done through the Coriolis glider ftp site where you can regularly upload your glider data (see 'data delivery' below).
3. A more advanced configuration would be required in case you would like to use the EGO website not only to display your seaglider, slocum, or spray data in real time but also to pilot your gliders. This option makes also use of the [Glider Fleet Control Panel \(GFCP\)](#). For the piloting tools to be operational, we would need to establish a link (via email, ssh, or ftp) between the computer you have set up to communicate with your gliders (your basestation, dockserver or groundstation respectively) and the EGO web server.

Do not hesitate to [contact us](#) if you need any assistance with option 1.

You will have to [contact us](#) if you consider the options 2 or 3.

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## Data delivery

We advocate the delivery of the glider data in real time to global data centers. This is very important to maximize the visibility of your glider deployments and the scientific impact of the data collected, in particular in the context of ocean analysis and forecasts with numerical models which assimilate near real time data to improve their skill. In addition, this is a remote backup solution which guarantees data are never lost.

This [page at Coriolis](#) describes the procedure on how to provide your glider data in the GDAC Coriolis. The procedure is summarized below and concerns glider raw ascii data and logs. Data can be pushed to Coriolis ftp server.

FTP server address

- ftp.eftp.ifremer.fr
- Contact [codac@ifremer.fr](mailto:codac@ifremer.fr) or [us](#) for user name and password.

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## Simple procedure to register an EGO glider deployment

You can do three thing here:

1. create a new glider, and possibly a new deployment;
2. edit one of your existing gliders and create a new deployment;
3. just edit an existing deployment to e.g. start it or stop it.

You can edit an existing glider or deployment as long as you have created it. If the owning institution is not in the selector, please [contact us](#) and similarly, for the observatory. Note that some input fields could be read-only once created in order to avoid basic errors.

Please use the [Glider Fleet Control Panel \(GFCP\)](#) or [contact us](#), if you really need to change these read-only fields, or to have more functionalities like adding users able to edit the deployment for instance.

The date format is yyyy-mm-dd HH:MM:SS. Examples: 2012-05-03 or 2012-05-03 11:36:00. Time must be UTC.

New glider name:

Glider name:

Glider type: ☒ Deep Slocum ☐ 200m Slocum ☐ Spray ☐ Seaglider ☐ Other

Owning Institution:

Glider URL:

New Deployment:

Deployment URL:

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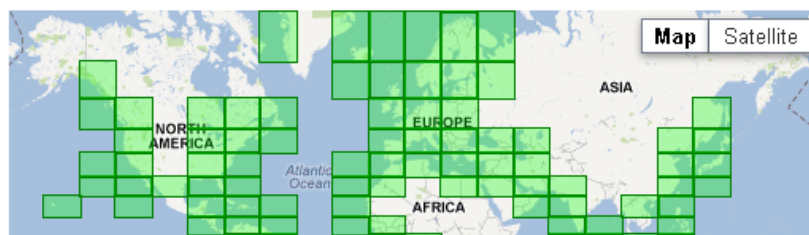
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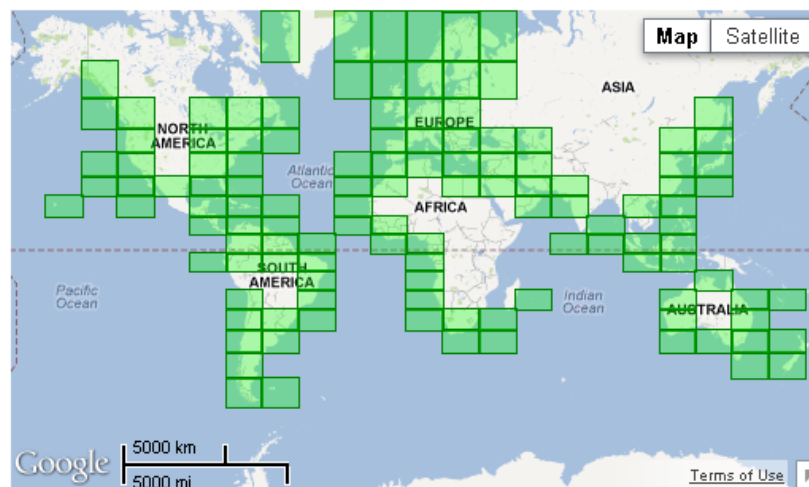
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## Welcome to the Glider Fleet Control Panel

This area is restricted to glider pilots or scientists members of EGO (Everyone Gliding Observatories). You can find more information about gliders on the public EGO website.



### CONTROL PANEL

Edit new deployment, modifying files to be sent to the dockserver, organizing shift and logbook.



### DATA PROCESSING

Plots made by matlab including maps , engineering and scientific data.



### ALARMS

Setting alarms helps the pilot to see quickly whats going on when several gliders are in the water.



### AUTOMATIC PILOTING

(coming in DEC 2011)

Speed up /slow down a glider, fleet missions, switch on/off altimeter regarding bathymetry and much more.



### MAINTENANCE

To keep track of everything: maintenance, preparation, calibration, stock of spare or batteries to sensor calibration.



### OTHERS

BUGS (Buoys Unknown Glider Ship), manuals, masterdata, SeaGlider list of command...

## Gliders Deployments

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- [How to send data to Coriolis Data Center](#) : This section describes procedures to automatically send the glider real-time data to Coriolis Data Centre who already supports slocum and spray data formats.
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  -  Calcul de courant et navigation à l'estime de Slocum, T. Terre
  -  Calcul du cap dans le Slocum, B. L'Hévéder
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  -  TCM2 manual
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### Projects around the GFCP

hosted on svn:

- EGO web site
- Glider Fleet Control Panel
- Glider Fleet Control Panel Tools
- Jabber Architecture and automatic piloting
- Data Processing
- Maintenance tool

### Other projects and tools

- Slocum Masterdata Browser: Browse and search the different versions of the Masterdata file (Start with RELEASE\_6\_9). Behaviours and sensors can be browsed as well.
- Igloo: a Python-based GliderView for slocum gliders.
- BUGS (Boats Unknown Gliders System): a system allowing to position gliders (and others) relatively to a ship.

### How to

- Svn, trac
- Check out code
- Tags policy
- installation of GFCP
- installation of EGO website
- installation of Data Processing
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EGO Workshops (including "Glider Schools") are organized every 1-1.5 year to present and discuss both scientific and technological issues.  
**Location and dates for the next (6th) EGO meeting are still to be defined but it will likely be organized in Summer 2013.**

Below a summary of past events:

- 5th EGO Workshop and Glider School, PLOCAN, Gran Canaria, March 2011. [Restricted](#), [organization area](#)
- 4th EGO Workshop and Glider School, Larnaca, Cyprus, November 2009. [Restricted](#), [organization area](#)
- 3rd EGO Workshop and Glider School, La Spezia, Italy, October 2008.
- 2nd EGO Workshop and Glider School, Palma de Mallorca, Spain, October 2007.
- 1st EGO Workshop, Paris, France, October 2006.



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*Building international cooperation and capacities at the scientific, technological,  
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## Welcome to the COST Action ES0904 website

The COST Action ES0904 is a 'networking' project starting in October 2010 for 3 (4) years. It aims at strengthening the EGO community, and support cooperation between the parties who have signed our [Memorandum of Understanding \(MoU\)](#). It provides the opportunity **to grant student exchanges, travels, meetings, training, and publications** that are related to our glider community activity, here organized in 5 Working Groups.



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## *A Design Study on a Glider European Research Infrastructure for the benefit of marine research and operational oceanography*

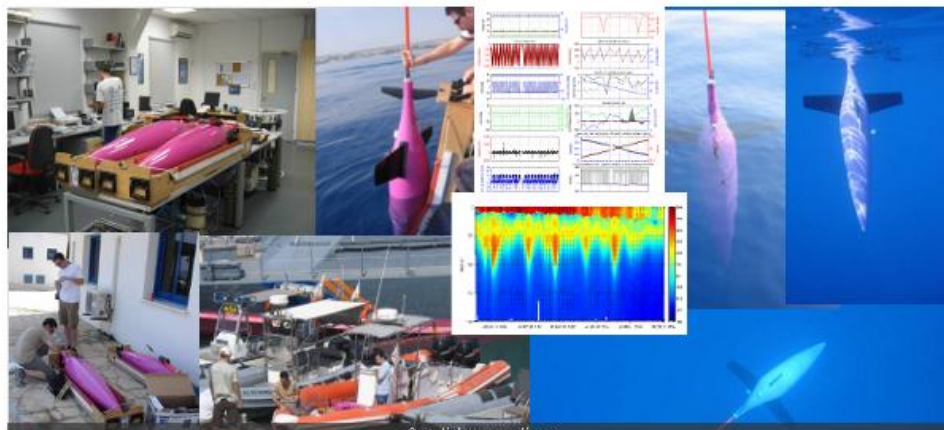
### Welcome to the GROOM website

The objective of the GROOM project is to design a new European Research Infrastructure that uses underwater gliders for collecting oceanographic data. This new infrastructure shall be beneficial for a large number of marine activities and societal applications, which can be related to climate change, marine ecosystems, resources, or security and which rely on academic oceanographic research and/or operational oceanography systems.

GROOM will define the scientific, technological, and legal framework of this European glider capacity.

GROOM is a key project for building the required observatory network that would allow the [Marine Strategy Framework Directive](#) to be implemented.

GROOM will develop in line with other European and international initiatives supporting marine in-situ observations, like in particular [Euro-Argo](#), [JERICO](#), and [GOOS](#).





GES with repeat-sections -> variability  
around the mean climatogoly? In each  
EEZ?

Error bar on the permanent alteration of  
hydrographic conditions.

Glider european data base -> science  
(above and other) and technology  
(discharge curve, better define best  
practise) -> papers

So many details. Too bad to realize  
afterwards we were wrong.







