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a bottom-up approach of research fleet co-ordination & harmonisation

Self supporting

Minimising bureaucracy and overheads

Pelagia

Jan Mayen

OFEG co-operation core objective:

operations at sea and technological developments at the forefront of marine science





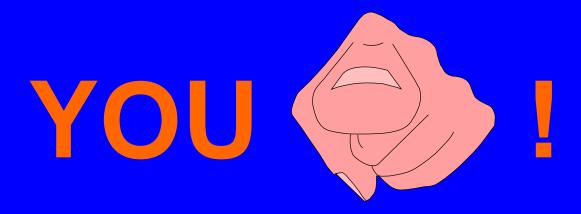








So the OFEG core is











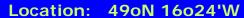


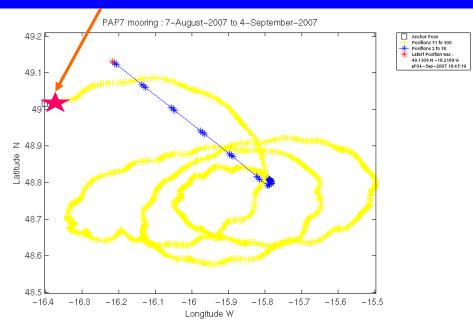


OFEG apart from ship time exchange:

Opportunistic interventions: mutual help when equipment get lost, recovery of drifting moorings, when within reach; en-route servicing and turn-around of partners' moorings, combined sampling and measurements for partners.





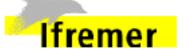


Porcupine Abyssal Plain (PAP)















Exchange of heavy equipment: OFEG Virtual Pool of Major exchangeable Equipment:



Trans national access of heavy equipment:

- German DTS-1 on Dutch RV
- French ROV VICTOR on German RV's
- UK TOBI on Dutch and German RV's
- Dutch Piston coring system on UK RV
- UK ROV ISIS on French RV
- Dutch Ultra Clean CTD system with deep sea winch and cable on German RV
- German ROV CHEROKEE on Dutch RV













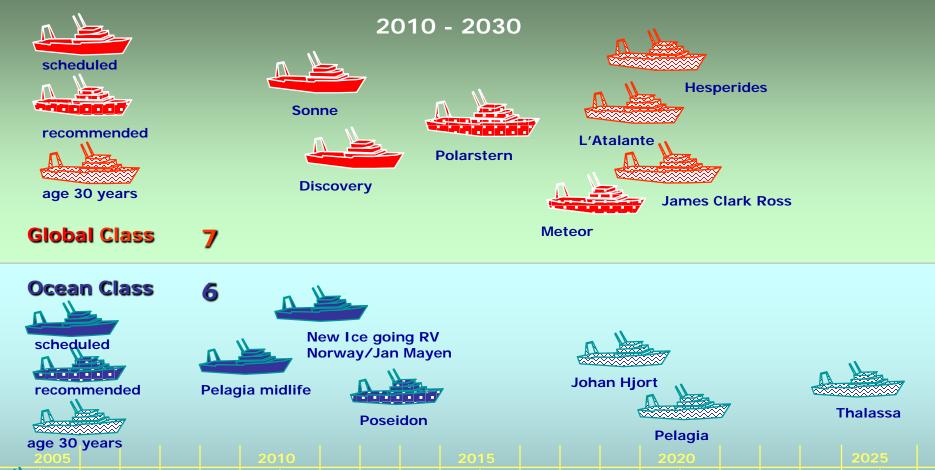
Information exchange: harmonisation and fine tuning of plans for replacement and upgrade of research vessels and heavy equipment.

OFEG will actively investigate ways of investment co-ordination and cost sharing through joint ownership and partnership arrangements.

OFEG accepted a

Roadmap of Renewal of OFEG Ocean and Global class RV fleet

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Scheduled and recommended replacements RVs built before 2000

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5 RVs built after 2000: Global Class: Pourquoi Pas? 2005; James Cook 2007

Ocean Class: G.O. Sars 2003; Maria S. Merian 2005;

Sarmiento de Gamboa 2007













OFEG-TECH

- To provide the forum for communication and networking to support the development of major equipment and to improve cooperation between the OFEG partners.
- To develop an understanding of each others organization, structure and contacts.
- To identify and develop the opportunity for exchange of knowledge and experience.
- To investigate the potential for 'bilateral training' and technician exchange
- To identify common problems and elevate them to the OFEG/European level













Future issues:

- Harmonisation of capital investment plans
- ROV Working Group
- Seismics pooling

- Equipment
- Ships















OFEG-TECH Workshop 2008

Inspiration and good learning

Fun and friendship

Poseidon

Le Suroit

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