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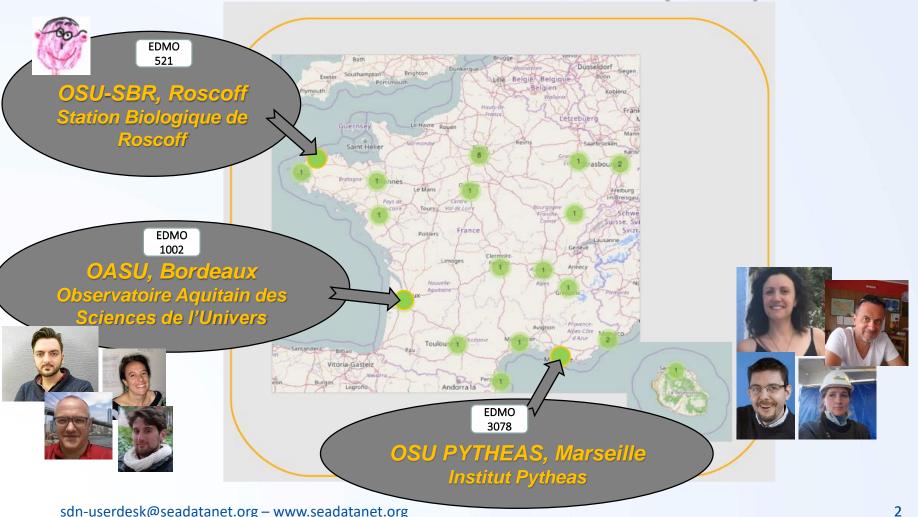








## 3 (out of 27) Observatories of the Science of the Universe (OSU)





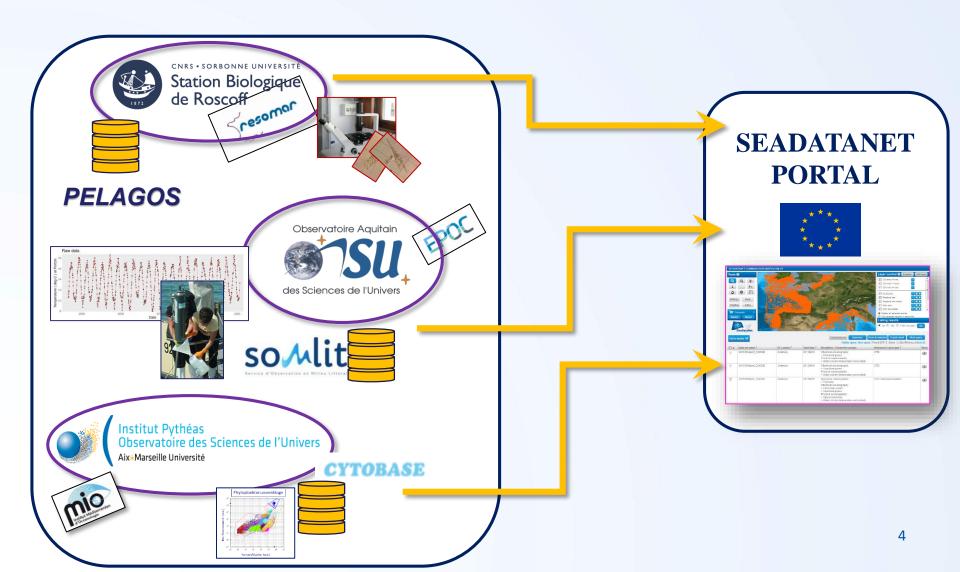
# The National Observation Services (NOS)



French observation networks structuration within the Research Infrastructure for Coastal Ocean and Seashore ILICO



### The datasets & the databases





## Flow Cytometry (FCM) data - CYTOBASE

#### **Context & Initial aims**

- Flow cytometry expert team at MIO (Melilotus Thyssen and Gerald Gregori)
- Many scientific campaigns and projects (67 CDIs)
- Abundant and complex data treatment
- Needs (objectives)
  - efficient software tools & workflow to manage data
  - interoperability for sharing data

### SeaDataCloud WP9.2.5

"Ingesting, validating, long-term storage and access of Flow Cytometry data"

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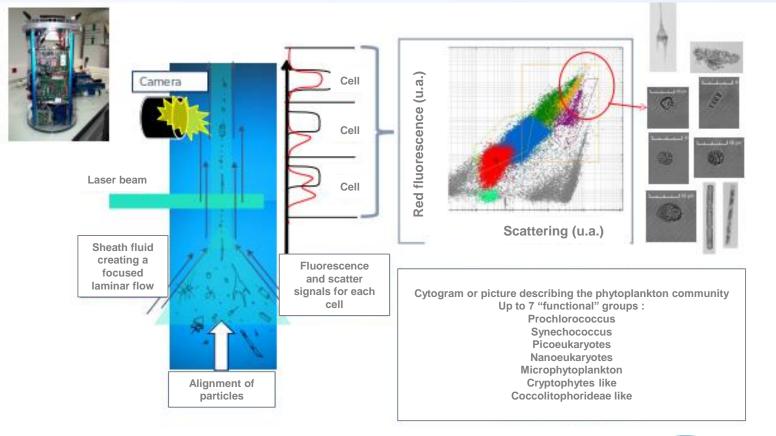
- FCM Common Vocabulary
- Data Transport Format for FCM data
- Ingestion into SDN Infrastructure







## Flow cytometry (FCM) for marine research









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- nom\_cruise :
- num\_stat :
- sampling\_date, analysis\_date
- longitude / latitude
- sdn\_local\_cdi\_id : FA35102016\_CHROME\_OCT\_2016\_FCMW
- sdn\_edmo\_code : 3078
- COL instrument : tool1209
- bot depth + depth :
- vol ech:
- sdn\_ClusterName : Coccolithophores
- sdn\_ClusterNameID : <u>SDN:F02::F0200007</u>
- abundance : 19.4796
- Optical properties: Red Fluorescence, Orange Fluorescence, Forward Scatter, Side Scatter
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#### For SDC tasks...

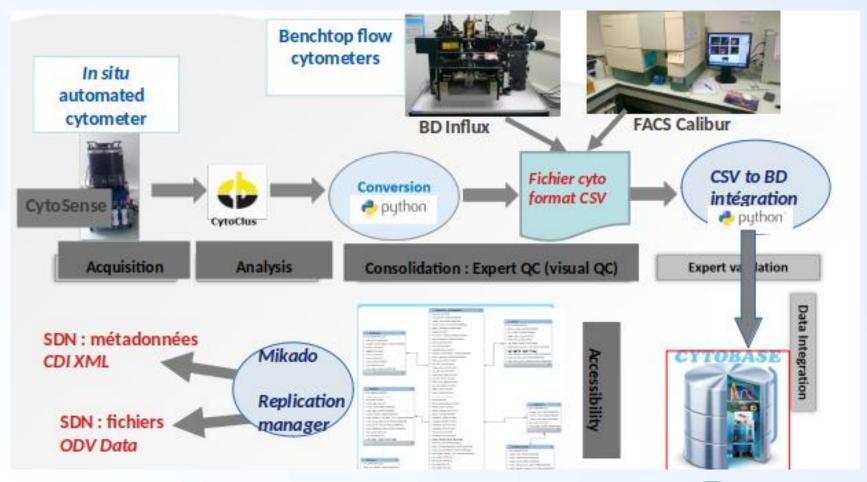
- Need to manage in situ real time flow cytometry data
- Converting FCM data files into CSV readable format (++ Python quality controls)
- Adding metadata
- Producing a common standard FCM voc.
- Inserting FCM data into a DB in order to perform queries (++ Python quality controls)
- → Sharing FCM data with scientific community (with metadata, with QC, in interoperable formats)







## Flow Cytometry data workflow







specie's names



## Microphytoplankton biodiversity data -**PELAGOS DB**



#### **Context & Initial aims**

- abundances Publishing biodiversity datasets (2 CDIs)
- Long-term coastal phytoplankton biodiversity data from NOS
- 24 measurements / year, since April 2000
- Time-consuming analysis through optical microscopy by experts
- Storage in the national PELAGOS DB hosted at Roscoff Marine Station

### **Expected Main Challenges**

- Mapping PELAGOS data models with SeaDataNet
- Automating the workflow, from data extraction to data publishing

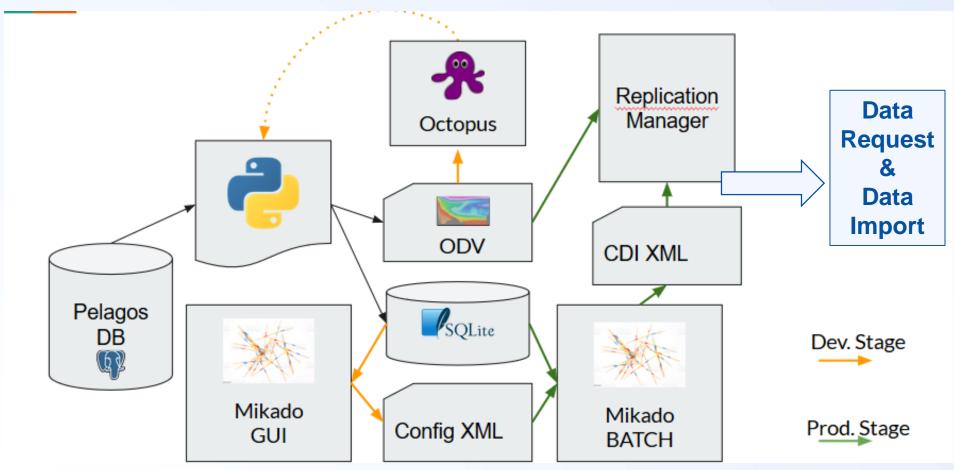
### **Expected Minor Challenges**

- Setting up SDN technical components
- Mastering SDN tools





## Microphytoplankton biodiversity data workflow







## Physical, chemical, biological data – SOMLIT NOS DB



### **Context & Initial aims**

- · Bimonthly sampling from 1996
- 16 Essential Ocean Variables & pico-nano-plankton
- 12 ecosystems
- 3 main data types
  - hydro-biol. time-series (50 CDIs)
  - ❖ CTD (3913 CDIs)
  - pico-nano-plankton FCM (20 CDIs)
- QC checks

#### **But**

- Metadata missing in DB
- Human approbation needed for data distribution
- File format not official standards

### Challenges

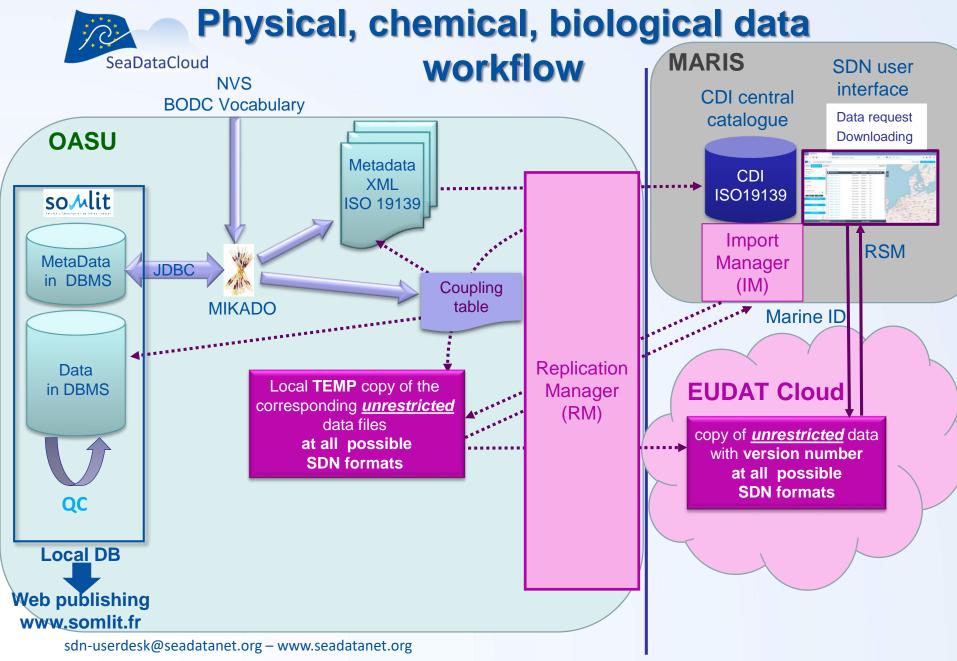
- Integrating all metadata (contacting every expert in the 12 stations)
- Discovering & Learning SDN ecosystem
- Mapping data models

#### **Main Goal**

- International DB publishing
- International standards









### Feedback statement - PROs & CONs

### **PROs**

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- ✓ *European visibility* of flow cytometry and SOMLIT data, laboratories, projects and originators (marine stations and labs)
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- ✓ Gives a framework for data management in a standardized way.
- ✓ Work in harmony and in accordance with the requirements of national datapoles (e.g. Odatis)
- ✓ Definition of a **standardized BODC controlled vocabulary** among cytometrists
- ✓ Excellent help (& THANKS !!!)
  - From collating centre (IFREME \_\_\_\_\_\_ N userdesk, CDI-help desk
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### **DIFFICULTIES/ CONs**

- ✓ Taming the complexity of SDN workflow, P0n thesaurus and tools (e.g. Mikado, Nemo, RM...)
- ✓ Understanding coupling tables and mapping files format
- ✓ Finding a *compromise* solution for the *detail level* of metadata from long-term series (past analytical/sampling methods) and its feasibility (especially in order not to "cut" series)
- ✓ Length of chain for processing changes (e.g. updating EDIOS or C17 vocabulary list)
- ✓ Metadata control and mapping by research experts was a big task
- ✓ Re-definition of **dataset notion** to match SDNet's: **re-structuration local DB**
- ✓ Underestimation of the developer tasks for matching SDN needs



### Feedback statement

### **NEW METHODS of management?**

- ✓ Look out and track updates of BODC Vocs, of European recommendations for standards
- ✓ Use of *thesaurus* and *standard file formats* (e.g. odv, NetCDF...)
- ✓ Addition of QC\_Flags to some data types (e.g. CTD)
- ✓ Better *traceability* of data modifications (*e.g.* corrections, adds...)
- ✓ Local and new reflection on « dataset » definition

### Issues to keep in mind

- ✓ Data producers need to be (made) aware of the importance of **describing** their datasets using **metadata** as early as possible, and can still be reluctant to participate in this task.
- ✓ There was a significant effort to achieve mapping between the in-house data models and the SDN data format...

  But it should pay off over time as the surveys are standardized.
- ✓ (bio)ODV as we understand it may not be the best suited data format for storing "rich" biodiversity datasets
- ✓ Small improvement : the *reason/objectives* for what users download the data is not displayed in the Import Manager



## Thank you,



hoping to keep ingesting new data...

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