



# OPAS meeting



- 1. Introduction (OPAS role & composition, change of co-chair) 10'**
- 2. OceanPredict state of play (incl. OPST-8) (by the co-chairs) 15'**
- 3. Updates on OceanPredict programme office (past & future activities, reorganization with the two offices) 10'**
- 4. OceanPredict funding status 10'**
- 5. OceanPredict Symposium : 1/ objectives, structure and themes, 2/ Sponsors and funding issues (20')**
- 6. Links OceanPredict / Foresea & DCC OceanPrediction and implications on the OceanPredict programme office activities (synthesis of discussion that will take place the first day of OPST-8) (15')**
- 7. AOB (10')**



# OPAS Role



- Provides **strategic advice** to the Executive Committee (**OPEC**) and the Science Team (**OPST**) on OceanPredict **long-term goals, resources, international collaboration, funding priorities, interaction with UN Decade bodies and programmes, and advocacy for the ocean observing system.**
- The OPAS delegates management of OceanPredict to the OPEC responsible for overseeing the execution of OceanPredict activities by the OPST & TT.
- The OPAS chooses one (or more) of its members as the "**chairperson(s)**", who will act as the **main communicator(s) with the OPEC.**
- The OPAS shall propose the **annual budget and the membership contributions** at its annual meeting and prepare annual accounts with the PO.



## Summary (1/2)



- ❑ OPAS composition : OPAS co-chairs : P.Y. Le Traon (MOI) & Eric Bayler (NOAA) (new), list of OPAS members revised (INCOIS, NMEFC)
- ❑ Excellent feedback from the OPAS members on OPST activities and OPST-8.
- ❑ A big thank to the local organizing committee for a perfectly managed week.
- ❑ Re-vigorate the strategic guidance role of OPAS wrt to OceanPredict: advancing the science of ocean prediction, preparing future ocean prediction systems, feedbacks on the impact of present/future observations, societal benefits of ocean prediction.
- ❑ Positive feedback on the OP 2024 symposium structure and themes. Funding status revised (half of the required budget is committed now). On going actions from several OPAS members.



## Summary (2/2)



- ❑ Positive evolution of the programme office (Kirsten, Stéphanie).
- ❑ PO funding remains fragile. New OPAS members could possibly contribute.
- ❑ Interactions with UN Decade and, in particular, ForeSea and the Ocean Prediction DCC is essential.
- ❑ The OP PO should work closely with ForeSea (as Foresea is the entry point of OceanPredict in the Decade) and will support the communication activities planned in ForeSea (impact of OP on users and applications).
- ❑ OceanPredict/Foresea to support the DCC Ocean Prediction (e.g. Atlas).
- ❑ New human resources at the PO to be investigated.
- ❑ Next OPAS meeting end of Q1 2024 to review the funding status for the symposium.