

Marine Ecosystem Analysis and Prediction (MEAP) Task Team



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A new series of monthly meetings!

- 10 minutes intro (MEAP-TT co-chairs)
- 20-30 minutes science talk

David Ford, UK Met Office, on:

“A solution for autonomous, adaptive monitoring of coastal ocean ecosystems: integrating ocean robots and operational forecasts”

- 20-30 minutes Q&A and discussion
- 0-10 minutes any other business



Mission: Advancing the science and tools for integration of biogeochemical and ecosystem models into operational systems.

“Operational”:

- Hindcasts/reanalyses
- Short-term & seasonal forecasts
- Climate projections
- Scenarios

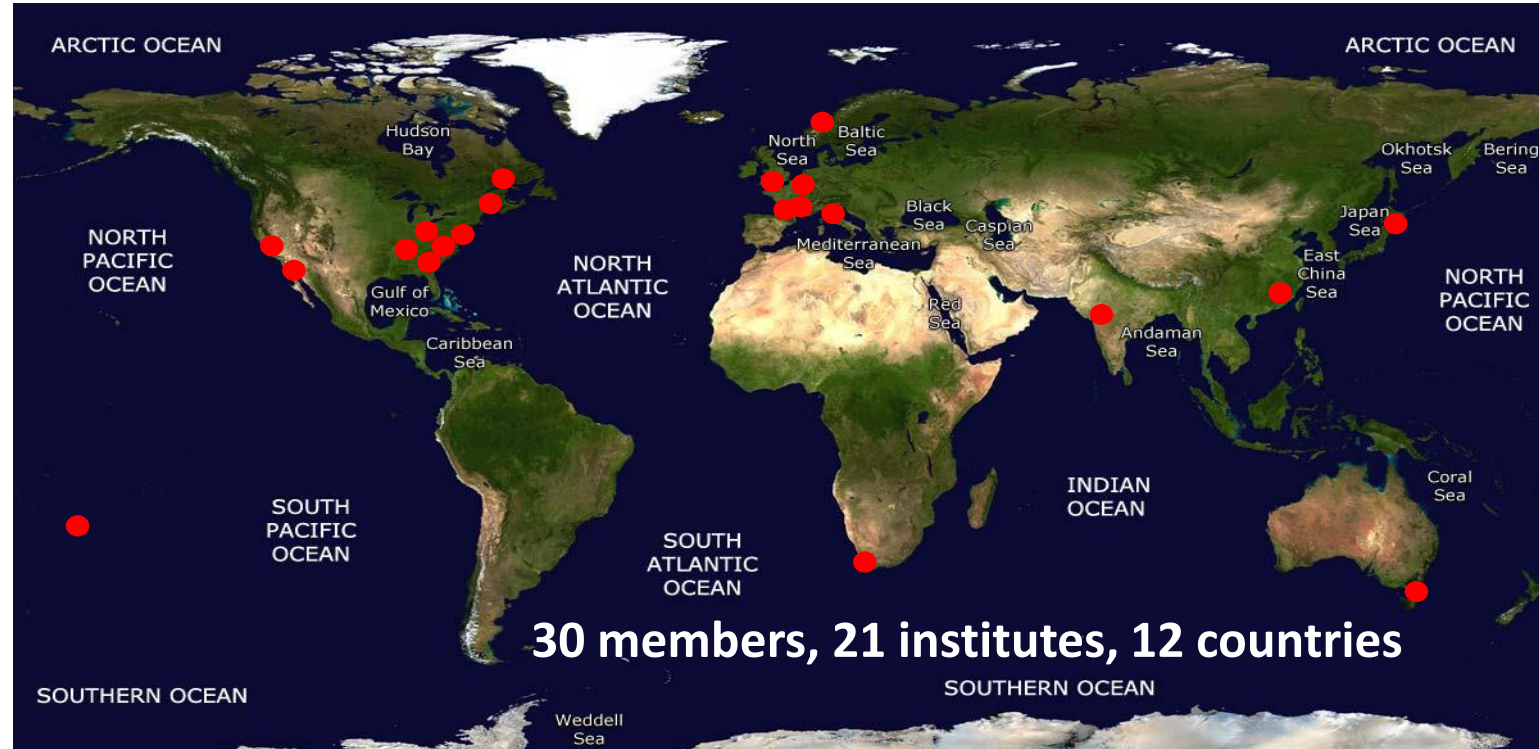
Applications

1) Carbon cycle research, carbon accounting

- Quantification of carbon fluxes
- Sensitivity of carbon fluxes to climate forcing
- National carbon accounting

2) Marine ecosystems health and productivity

- Fisheries management
- Conservation of endangered species
- Design of MPAs
- Marine health indicators (eutrophicat., acidificat., deoxygenat.)

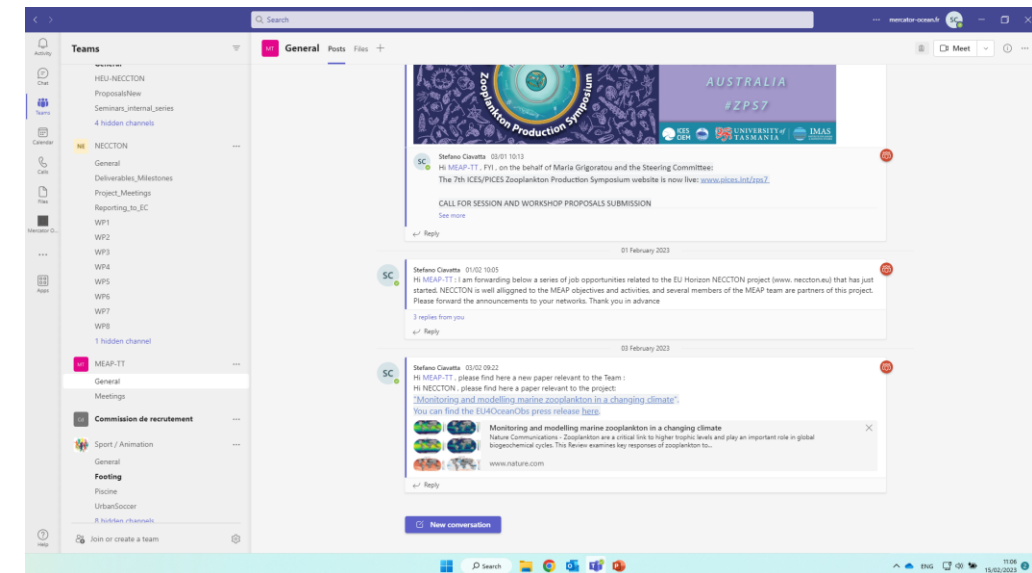


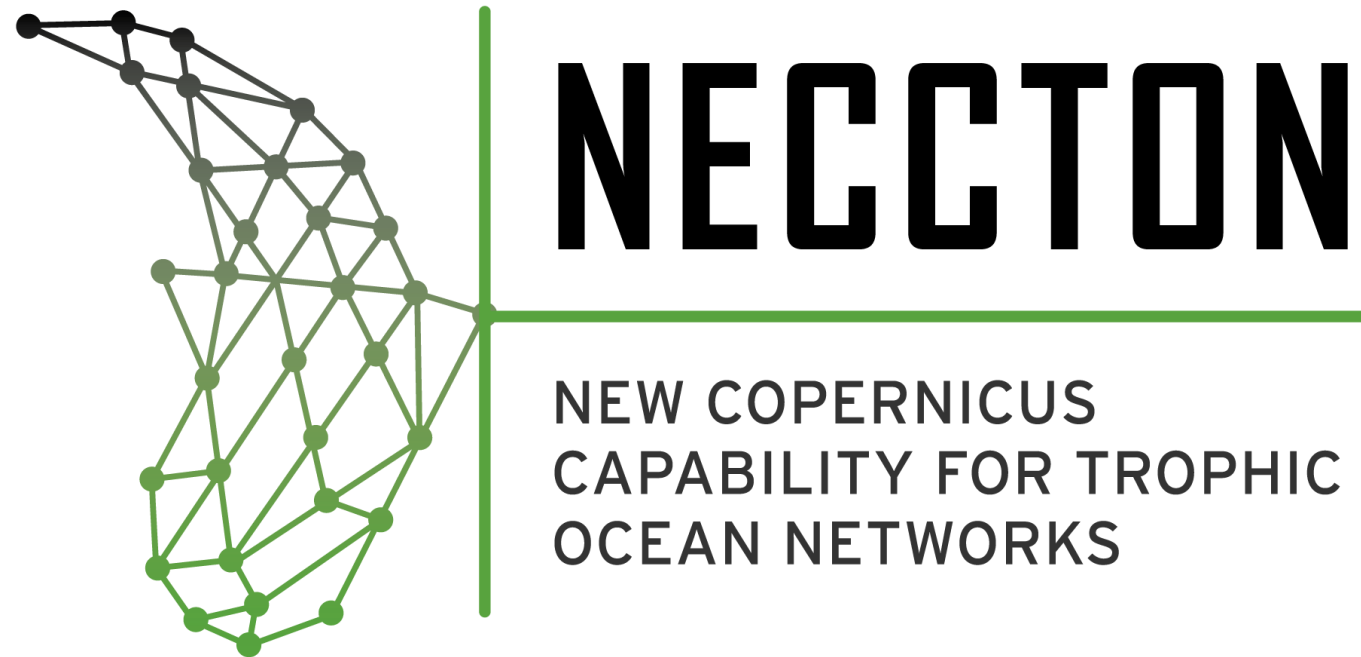
Fennel et al., 2019, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2019.00089>



Recent MEAP-TT activities

- **Networking, sharing, discussions, contributions**
 - Set-up a Microsoft Team Group
 - Channels for sharing presentations, MEAP papers, other relevant papers and documents
 - Chats on news, scientific challenges, job opportunities
 - Monthly scientific meetings (1st Wednesday of the month 14 UTC) – to be launched starting March
 - Active MEAP collaborations in projects (e.g., SEAMLESS, NECCTON)
 - Active collaborations in dissemination activities (e.g. ETOOFS manual, IOCCP Annual meeting)
 - Contribution to UN Decade initiatives (e.g. ForeSea SC, SynObs SC, Marine Life 2030, GOOS co-design)
 - Contribution to Ocean Prediction DCC SC





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Key-facts

- Programme: EC's Horizon Europe
- Duration: 4 years project (Jan 2023-Dec 2026)
- Partners: 23 (21 beneficiaries, 2 UK associates)
- Budget: 10M Eur (8.5 M from EU; 1.5 M UK)
- PI: S Ciavatta (MOi); PM: J Heard (PML)
- Project Officer: Gisèle Van Bunnem (HADEA)



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Vision and overall objective

Vision: advancing ocean biodiversity conservation, supporting food-security and informing European policies through the next generation of marine ecosystem prediction systems

Overall objective: to enable CMEMS to deliver products that inform marine biodiversity conservation and food resources management, by fusing innovative ocean ecosystem models and new data.



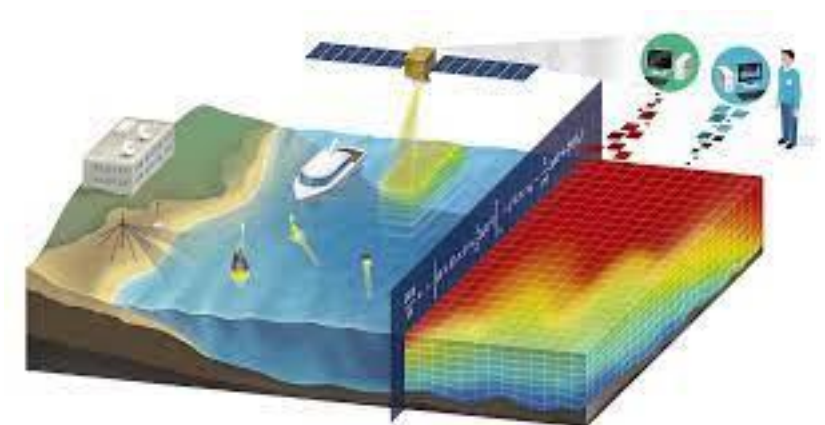
**POLICIES & OCEAN
GOVERNANCE
& MITIGATION**



**Marine
Conservation
& Biodiversity**

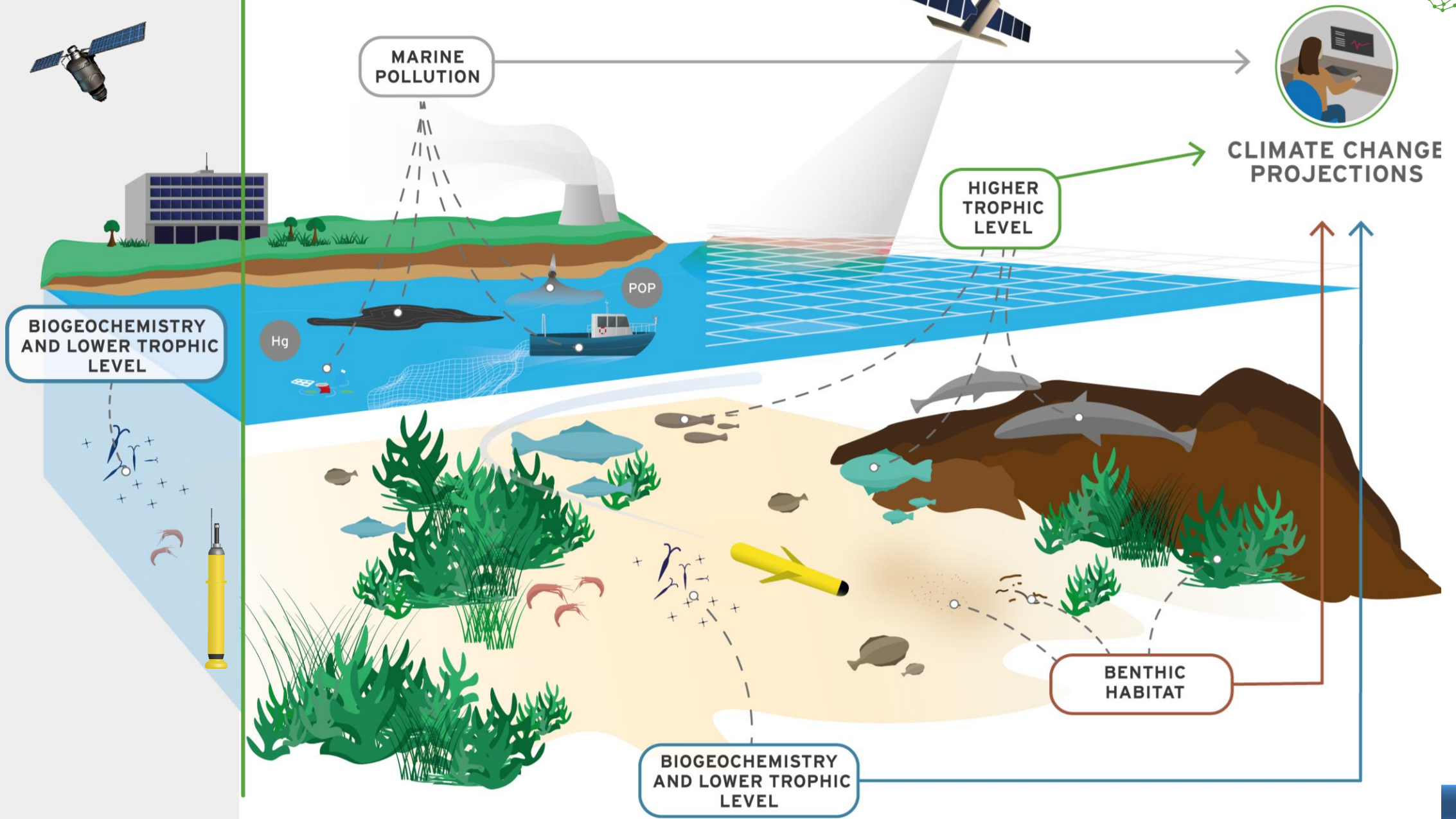


**MARINE
FOOD**



CMEMS BEFORE NECCTON

CMEMS AFTER NECCTON (new and improved products)





SERVICES BASED ON ECOSYSTEM DATA ASSIMILATION: ESSENTIAL SCIENCE AND SOLUTIONS (SEAMLESS)

Partners



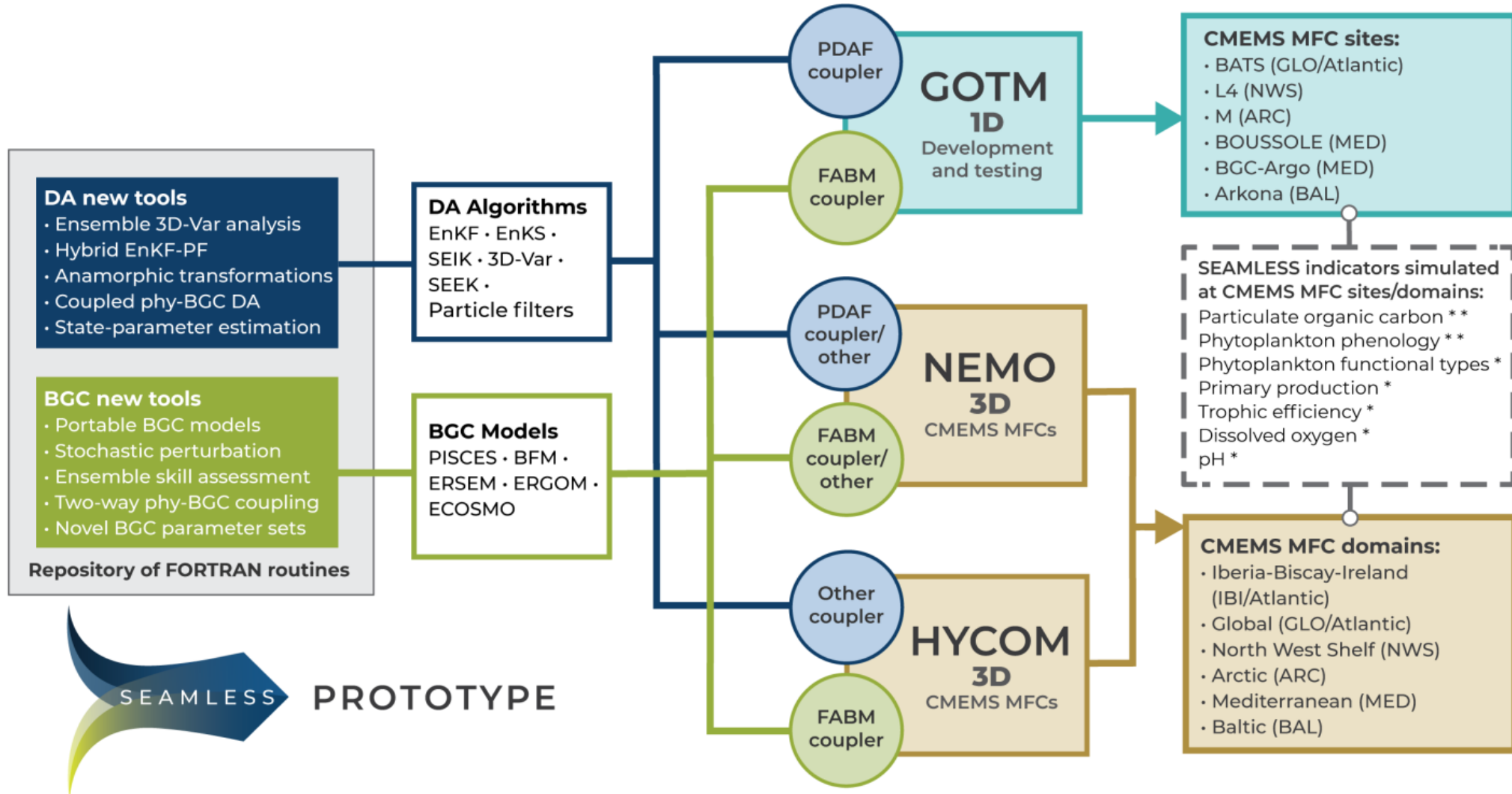
Advisory board



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SEAMLESS Prototype



- Scientific results and dissemination (joint papers and reports):

- Primer article "Ocean biogeochemical modelling" in Nature Reviews Methods Primers by Fennel et al., <https://www.nature.com/articles/s43586-022-00154-2>
- Mignot *et al.* Decrease in air-sea CO₂ fluxes caused by persistent marine heatwaves. *Nat Commun* **13**, 4300 (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-31983-0>
- "Evaluation of biogeochemical models performance and recommendation on observing system design using an unsupervised machine learning algorithm, BGC-Argo floats and assessment metrics", Mignot et al., *Biogeosciences*, in press, <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-2021-2>
- Observability of the target indicators in the 3D CMEMS MFC systems (D3.4), Brasseur et al., Deliverable report of project H2020 SEAMLESS (grant 101004032.). doi: [10.5281/zenodo.7584865](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7584865)
- "A solution for autonomous, adaptive monitoring of coastal ocean ecosystems: Integrating ocean robots and operational forecasts" in *Front. Mar. Sci.* by Ford et al., <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2022.1067174>

