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Busy year

- Throughout 2015 negotiations conducted with Italian MoD and NATO on future ship operating model.
- 22 December 2015, MOU signed between NATO and ITA MoD.
- Future model is Italian Navy Flag (auxiliary) and Italian Navy crew for both ships.
- NATO CMRE assumes custody and pays all costs except for crewing. Technical support provided under global technical support contract.
- 31 December, German Flag lowered in ALLIANCE. Vessel registry transferred to Italy.
- 1 Jan 2016, transition period commenced.





So what did we do?

- Major docking
- Reclassification ABS to Rina
- Increase crew and accommodation from 25 to 44. Scientific team remains 25 persons.
- Replace Bow Thruster (Improve Cjoy ability)
- Rebuild accommodation
- Increase all hotel systems
- Install EM 302 and gondola mount





And more

- New Doppler logs
- Through hull CTD
- New winch controllers and overhaul
- New networks and military communications





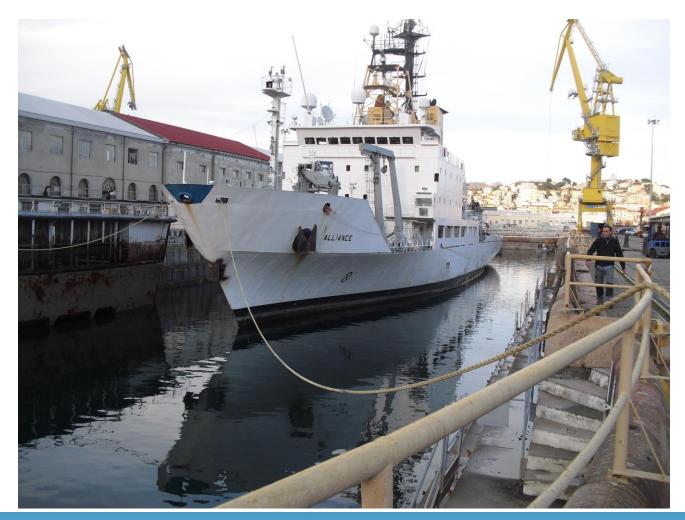
Timeline

- 22 December 2015 MOU signed
- 8 January 2016 finance approved
- 18 January ALLIANCE enters dock
- 17 March ALLIANCE afloat
- 18 24 March Harbour trials
- 29 March 8 April Sea trials
- 9 April Formal flagging ceremony
- April May crew training
- 30 May operational for science





Midlife upgrade in a normal docking





























































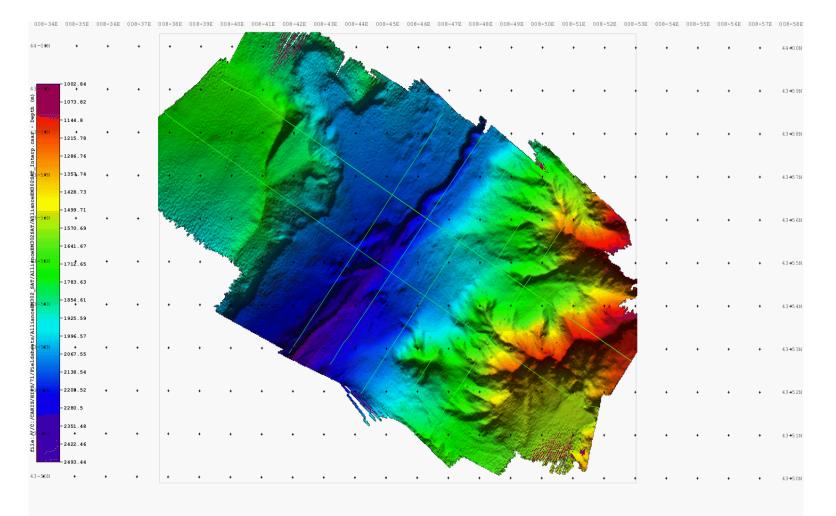








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