# EUROFLEETS legacy Interest for ERVO

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# EUROFLEETS2 (2013-2017): context and objectives

- The enhancement of the FP7 EU project EUROFLEETS (2009-2013)
- A consortium of 31 partners from 20 countries
- A project structured in 3 activities: Trans National Access (TNA), Networking (NA) and Joint Research (JRA), to:
  - ✓ Offer access to a group of Research Vessels and mobile equipment on basis of scientific excellence
  - ✓ Foster interoperability between European research fleets
  - ✓ Collaborate on technological developments
  - $\checkmark$  Train the next generation of marine researchers
  - Develop strategic perspectives and schemes for better coordinated European Research fleets, including the polar component
- An expected follow-up with the EUROFLEETS+ proposal to be submitted to
  the H2020 INFRAIA 2018-2019 call



# A significant group of ship operators providing access to 22 Research Vessels and equipment

#### 8 Global/Ocean RVS







#### 14 Regional RVs covering a wide sector

- GINR<sup>•</sup> Sanna
- Havstovan: Magnus Heinason
- VLIZ: Simon Stevin
- TUT: Salme
- RBINS: Belgica
- MI: Celtic Voyager
- IEO: Angeles Alvarino & Ramon Margalef
- CNR: Minerva Uno
- IOF : Bios-DVA
- HCMR: Aegaeo and the Max Rover ROV
- Tubitak: Tubitak Marmara
- IO-BAS: Akademic
- GeoEcoMar: Mare Nigrum

Mediterranean Sea

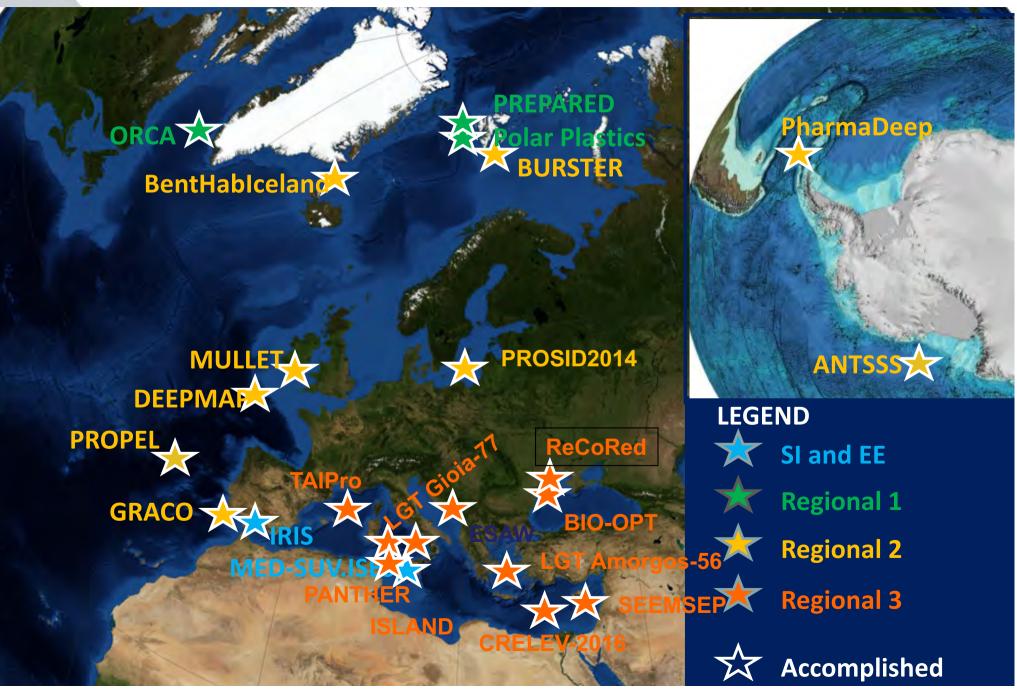
Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea

# The TNA activity, in summary

- 4 ship-time calls and 1 equipment-time call
- 50 submitted proposals with multi-national groups from more than 180 institutions, from 39 countries
- In total, 24 scientific projects on board 17 RVs, representing more than 200 days of ship-time and 25 days of equipment-time
- 6 main geographic areas: Sub-artic (5), Antarctic (2), Baltic Sea (1), Atlantic (4), Med. Sea (10) and Black sea (2)
- Access requested to carry out projects in a wide range of scientific disciplines



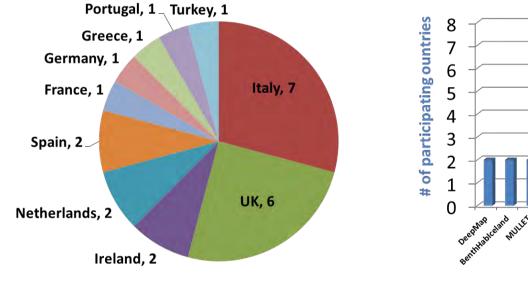
# **EUROFLEETS2 Funded Cruises**

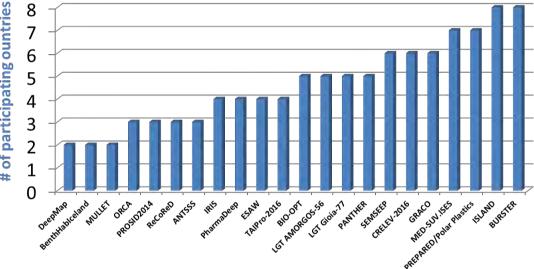


**Granted cruises** 

#### **Pls' nationalities**

# Partnerships of 2-8 countries per proposal



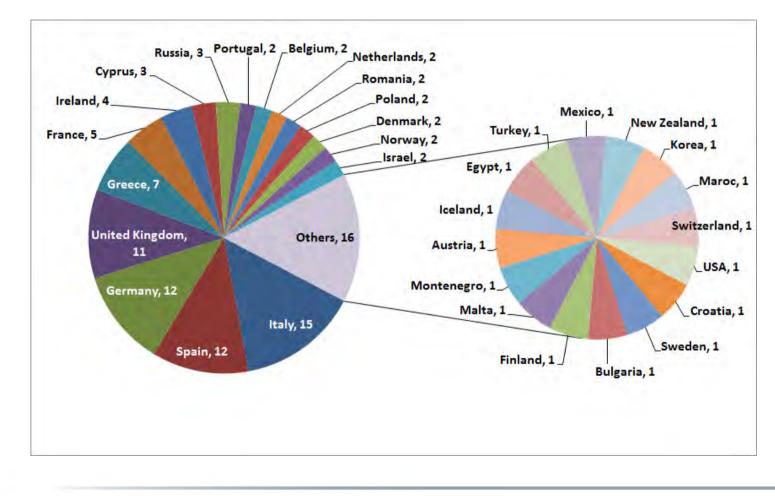




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# TNA: a highly collaborative activity

#### Number of countries' participation to granted cruises





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# **On-going preparation of the EUROFLEETS legacy**

- Legacy report under drafting with EUROFLEETS results and outcomes described in themes and sub-themes. For each sub-theme, a summary of main outcomes and the list of linked Deliverables
- Many of the reports are restricted to the project's Consortium
- Need to identify which thematics/reports ERVO is willing to use, maintain and further expand?
- Proposed approach: EUROFLEETS legacy report ready to be transmitted to ERVO ExComm in August so that ERVO can determine what are the reports of interest.



 Actions towards an improved knowledge and enhanced collaboration of European Research fleets

- Follow-up of the status of European Research fleets (with operating areas, main activities, technical capacities ...)
  - The 2016/2016 survey mapping Global, Ocean, Regional RVs and Coastal RVs, operated in 5 main European maritime areas ("Artic Ocean", "Channel, Skagerrak and North Sea", "North West Atlantic", "Baltic sea", and "Med. Sea, including Black sea") and in other oceans.

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- Actions towards an improved knowledge and enhanced collaboration of European Research fleets
  - Flagship initiative on Polar Research Fleets (available capacities, scientific demand, recommendations for a strategic vision)
  - Contribution to enhanced interoperability within European Research Fleets
    - with procedures & protocols for deploying (23) LEXIs,
    - with nearly 900 individual interoperability assessments for LEXIs across (39) European Global&Ocean RVs

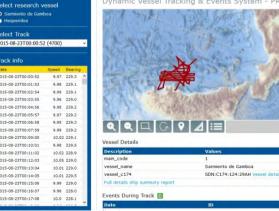
Definition of common interface specification to facilitate interface operability with new platforms and between sensors and payloa



- Actions towards an improved knowledge and enhanced collaboration of European Research fleets
  - Management procedures of European RVs, with guidelines for harmonization
  - Schemes for further cooperation and coordination between European Research fleets

#### The EVIOR platform (<u>http://eurofleet.maris2.nl/startpage.html</u>)

- Access to the RV and LEXI infobases
- Access to the Cruise Programme DB (POGO)
- RV tracking and event logging modules





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- Training & Education activities
- Access to RVs & equipment
  - The EUROFLEETS Evaluation System and recommendations for future calls
  - > TNA: call definition and proposal selection
- Joint technological research on Research Vessel design
  - A set of guidelines and recommendations ("Ship greening", "Noise and vibration reduction", "Bubble sweep down avoidance", "Work deck installations", "Innovative technologies for optimization of existing ships)
  - > 2 generic designs: the RRV50 and the BRV35



#### Joint technological research on Underwater System technologies

- Payloads (3D high resolution cameras, BioGeoChemical, In situ Chemical Analysis and Sampling Payload etc...)
- > 3D reconstruction methodologies and algorithms
- Control of vehicle positioning
- Embarked energy (development of battery prototypes)
- Joint technological research on software and tools
  - A range of software tools: i) onboard tools: EARS, Data acquisition system, Web Services, ii) for Underwater Systems: the Common Mission Programming Tool, iiii) for data post-processing: GLOBE, ...







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