

# RVONZA

## **Collaborating Agencies**







AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE



Department of the Environment and Energy Australian Antarctic Division





## Objectives

Promote the safe, efficient and environmentally responsible operation of research ships in support of the Australian/New Zealand marine scientific research community. It does this by providing a forum for managers of research ship fleets and marine equipment to:

share professional information and best practice regarding design, management and operation of research ships and associated scientific equipment;

explore and develop opportunities for collaboration, sharing and/or exchanging ship time, personnel, instruments and equipment;

benchmark their research ship and associated equipment operations with other comparable operators; and

act as a voice to promote the research ship community and provide expert advice to other bodies as required.

## **RVONZA Structure**



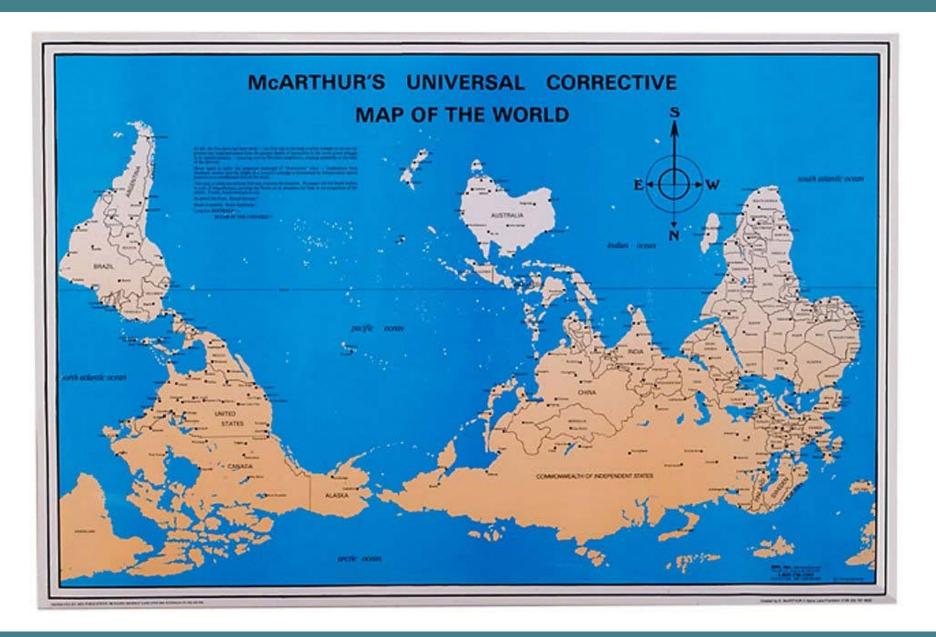
- Self elected chair, minute taker and administrator.
- Not a legal entity
- Share drive for sharing documents.
- Rely on in kind contribution and agencies hosting face to face meetings
- One meeting face to face a year.
- One meeting every half year to check action item progress and update.
- All regionally based interested and relevant parties welcome.



#### Inaugural Meeting NIWA Wellington NZ 2018

- In Wellington NZ on 24 and 25 April 2018
- NIWA Rob Christie, Rob Murdoch, Greg Foothead, John Hadfield, Neville Ching, Steve Wilcox, Ross Mitchell
- CSIRO Toni Moate, Barbara Musso, Mark Underwood
- AAD Phil Boxall, Rick Van den Enden
- UTAS Michael Woodward
- AIMS Gary Brinkman





#### Asia Pacific Region RVONZA partners.

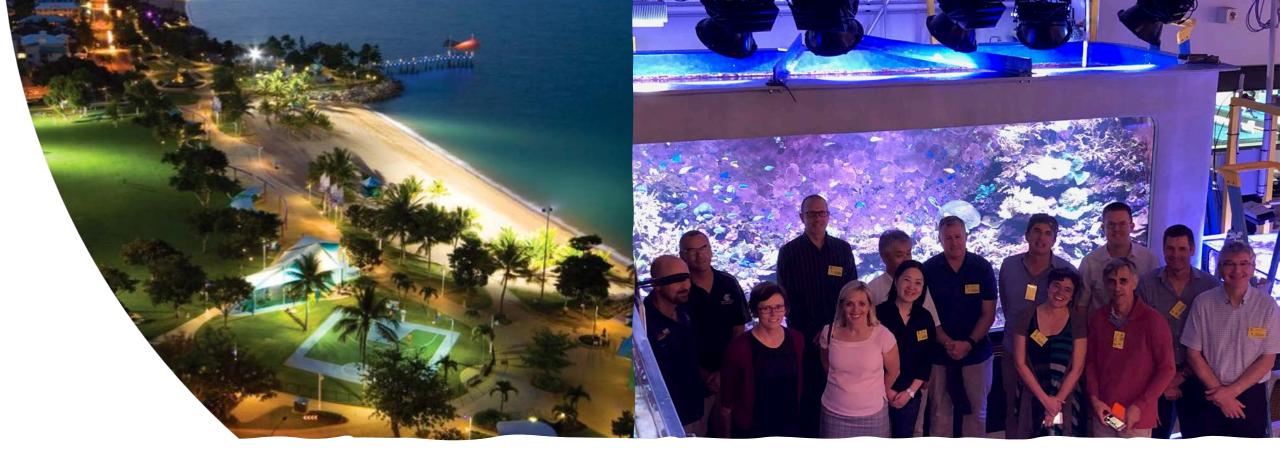




Pacific Community Communauté du Pacifique







## AIMS Townsville Australia 2019

#### STRALIA

#### NEW CALEDONI/

## SPC Noumea New Caledonia 2020 - Nearly

# COVID

## 2020 Microsoft Teams Meetings

2 teleconference meetings. March 2020 particularly on sharing plans to address operations under COVID and December 2020 RVONZA update.

Next meeting to be scheduled in next couple of months.

## **General Topics**

- RVONZA mission/objectives/relevance.
- Fleet capability.
- Fleet renewal.
- Insurance
- Different approaches to dealing with data embargoes.
- Fleet equipment scheduling and management software.
- Health and safety (Trends and actions)



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#### Action Items and Outcomes

- Successful and productive workshops.
- List of action items currently being worked through.

#### 1. Equipment sharing

Lead: Rob Christie First point of contact details for equipment share. Developing template for hire/share agreements. Visibility of available equipment – MFP Software being trialled.

#### 2. Vessel procurement documentation, processes and procedures

Share of RFT's/RFP's/Business Cases/Strategies. Documentation received.

#### 3. Technician share

Lead: Mark Underwood Collation of technicians and skills across the organisations. Aim to help professional development and cross pollinate methodologies and innovations.



# Action Items and Outcomes (con't)

4. Summary of AAD's graduate programme Work in progress

5. STCW standardisation/harmonisation

Aim: Standardise STCW training across organisations.

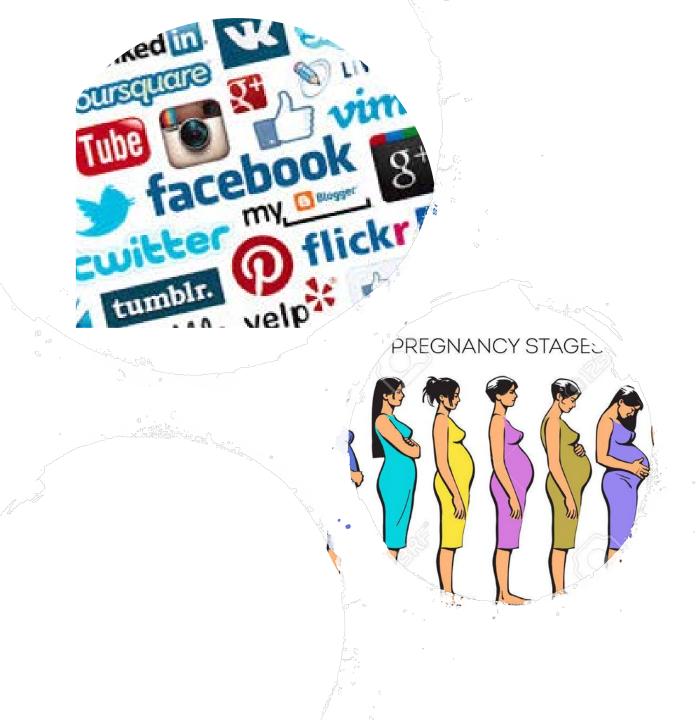
#### 6. Scheduling software review

Lead: Barbara Musso

Aim: Trial scheduling software and identify best fit.

Discuss group/group purchase use across organisations.

Work in Progress. Building on Norwegian Marine Institutes head start.



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#### 7. Social media policies

Lead: Barbara Musso

Aim: Look at different organisations policies on the use of social media from voyages.

Work in progress. Documentation being collated.

#### 8. Pregnancy at sea

Lead: Barbara Musso/Greg Foothead

Aim: Identify body of evidence to support policy

