### Towards an alliance of European research fleets

Eurofleets

# **European research fleets**

A Capacities I3 (integrated infrastructure initiative) project carried out by 24 marine institutes, universities, foundations from 16 countries (14 EU Member States –including 4 recent ones- and 2 associated countries) + 3 Associated Partners: IFM-GEOMAR, ESF Marine Board and DTU Aqua; more to come

From 1st of September 2009 for 4 years EC FP7 contribution **7.2 M€** on a total budget of **9 M€** 

#### **Coordination carried out by Ifremer**

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#### **Trans National Access calls:**

2 calls in 2010: Global/Ocean and Regional1

- 38 eligible proposals received
- 23 (60%) Global/Ocean and 15 (40%) for Regional RV
- 25 (66%) geosciences, 10 (26%) biology and 3 (8%) oceanography
- 6 cruises funded o/b Global RVs for 77 days, 5 cruises funded o/b Regional RVs for 36.6 days

Last call in 2011: Regional2 (12 Regional RV accessible) 16 received proposals to take place o/b 9 Regional RVs A single « real orphan » RV

Funding decision (2012 to 2013) in November 2011

May 2011

ERVO meeting

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#### Other major achievements

#### -Advanced training and education:

2 embarked schools for young students on Irish RV in 2010, one embarked school for technicians on Norvegian RV in 2011 thanks to generosity of **Project's beneficiaries** 

-Strategic vision:

enlarged to European fishery research vessels

-More to come for inter operability, RV greening, technological developments and innovation integration

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#### **Towards an EUROFLEETS2 proposal:**

### With a widened partnership

Scientific interest for European calls with bonus on young scientists and non equipped countries; good integrating impact

#### Other networking aspects:

- -virtual joint fleets within maritime regions,
- -scientific evaluation sharing,
- -polar research, in liaison with ERICON AB.

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### www.eurofleets.eu

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