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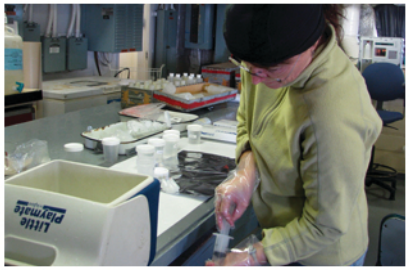

SLGO's role regarding data management

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Montreal, March 2014

Claude Tremblay

Mars 2013

SLGO is a corporation created in 2005 that consist in an information infrastructure (data portal), online since 2008.

Its mission:

"To promote and facilitate access, dissemination and exchange of electronic data and information about the St. Lawrence system.

How ?

By fostering a networking of data producers.

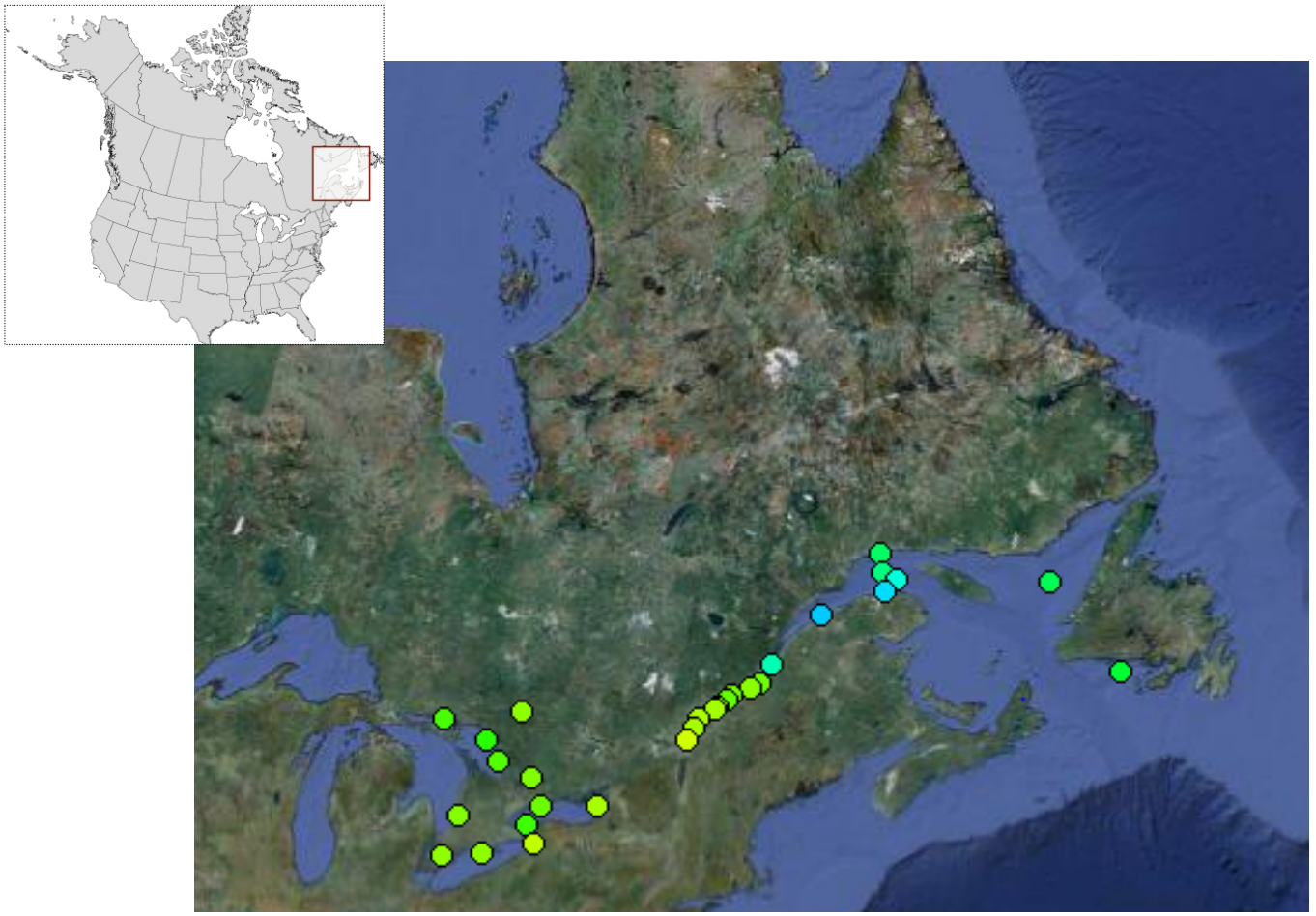
Why ?

To meet their needs and those of their clients, to improve knowledge and to assist decision making."

SLGO's strength:

Its members, their expertises, the pooling of information and 8 years of experience.

Target territory: St. Lawrence river, estuary, gulf and watersheds



SLGO's services to its members :

- **Expertise services in enhanced application development, Web data dissemination and sharing.**
- **Data integration and access to information resources on SLGO's portal.**

- **...to answer members and community needs**:
  Particularly, by offering an integrated access to best quality data possible, in appropriate time, in order to support best decision–making regarding:

• Security • Health • Conservation • Energy	• Climate • Commercial navigation • Natural Resources • Education



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SLGO Members

ACTIVE MEMBERS

- Université du Québec à Rimouski
- Université Laval
- Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique
- Pêches et Océans Canada
- Environnement Canada
- Université du Québec à Montréal
- Parcs Canada
- Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
- Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec
- Ministère du Développement durable, Environnement, Faune et Parcs Secteur Faune

INDUSTRIALS

- Port de Montréal

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- Stratégies Saint-Laurent
- Centre Interdisciplinaire de Développement en Cartographie des Océans
- Technopole maritime du Québec
- Centre de recherche sur les milieux Insulaires et maritimes (CERMIM)
- Regroupement des organismes de bassins versants du Québec
- Réseau d'observation de mammifères marins
- Association maritime du Québec - AMQ
- Centre de recherche sur les biotechnologies marines - CRBM
- Institut maritime du Québec

OBSERVERS

- Agence spatiale canadienne - ASC
- Développement économique Canada - DEC
- Finances et Économie - MFE

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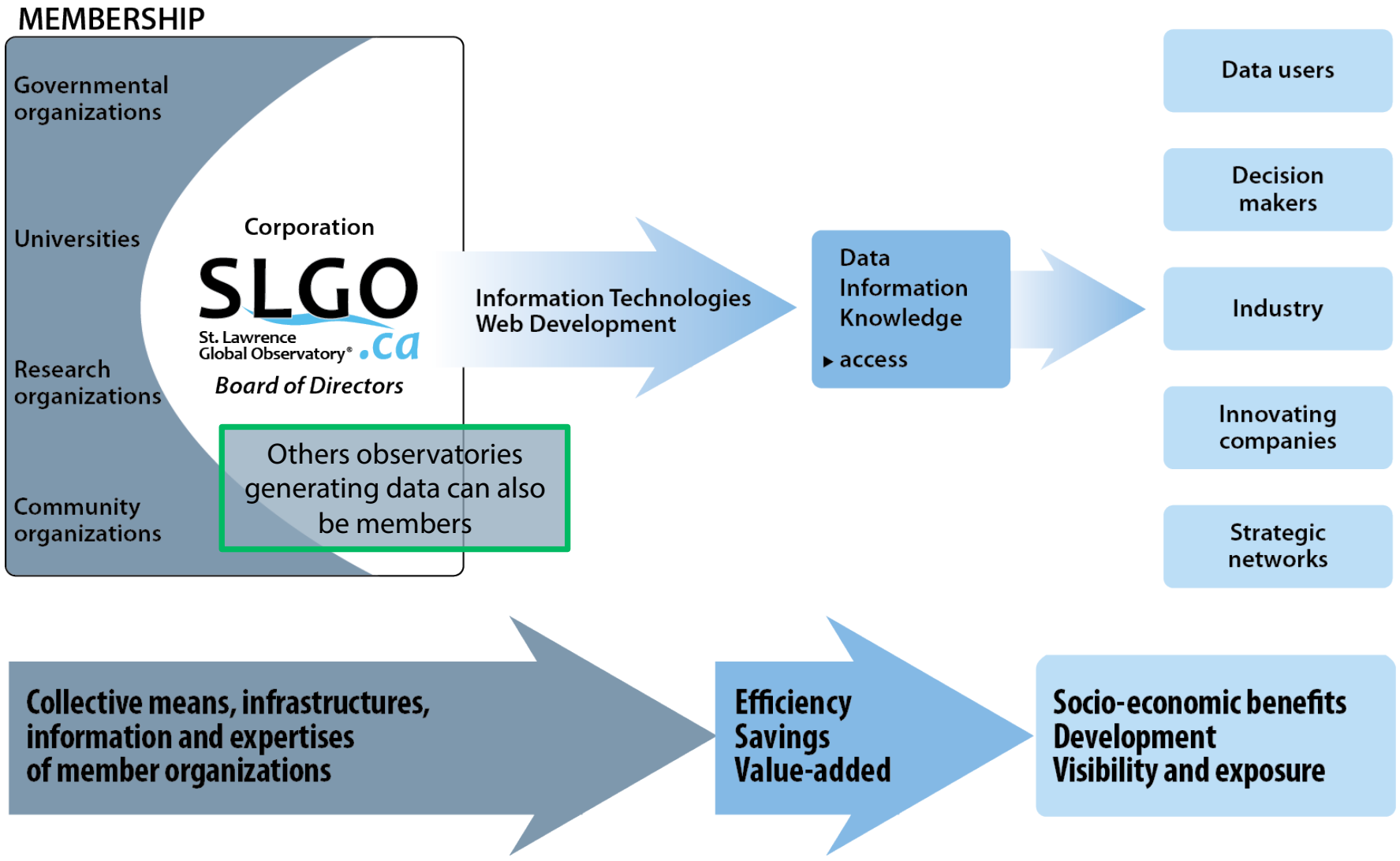
Collaborative Model (Developed in 2005)



Funding structure

Membership fees

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haddock financed data disseminating projects

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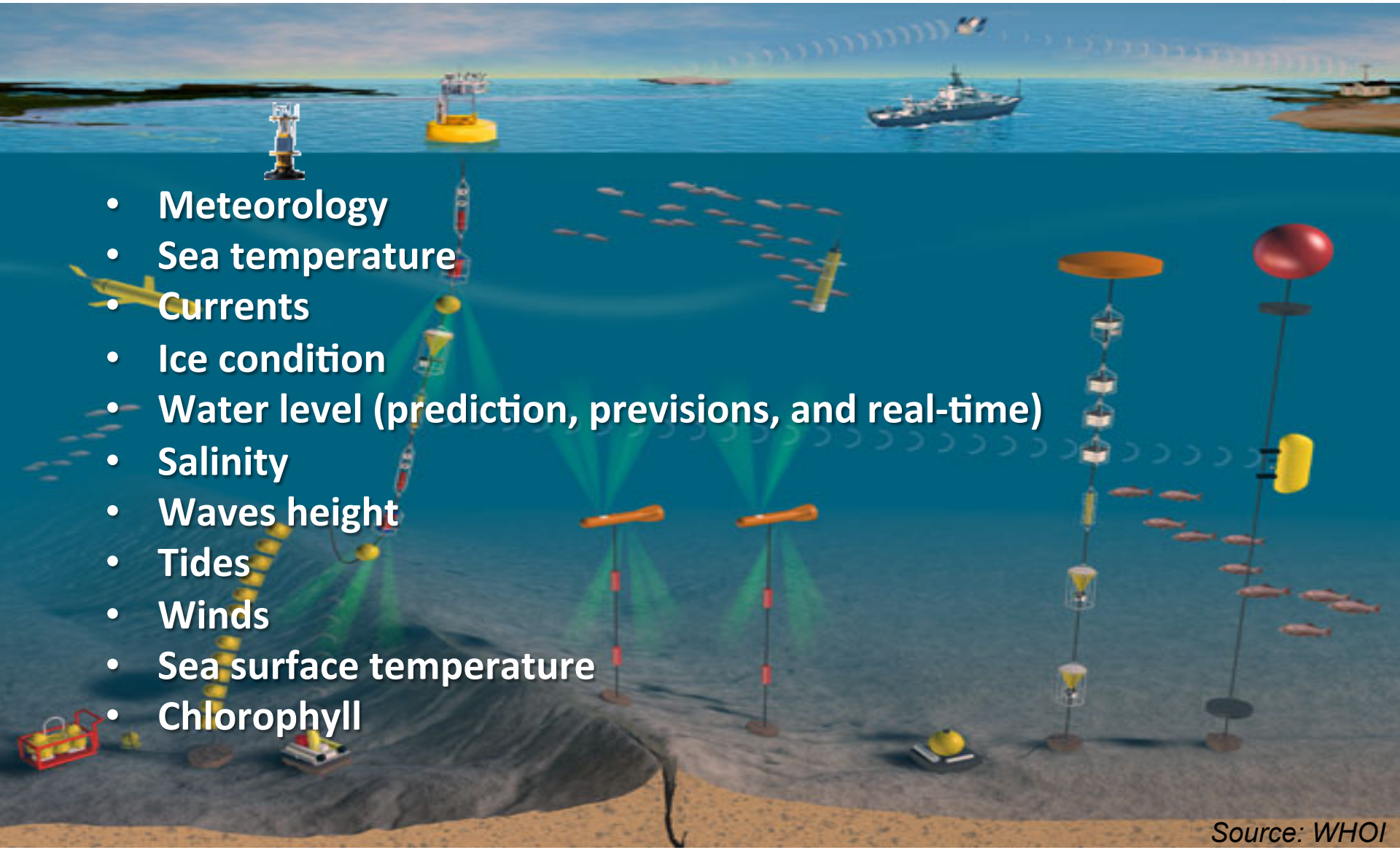
Not enough

Data collected by members and disseminated by SGLO



- Meteorology
- Sea temperature
- Currents
- Ice condition
- Water level (prediction, previsions, and real-time)
- Salinity
- Waves height
- Tides
- Winds
- Sea surface temperature
- Chlorophyll

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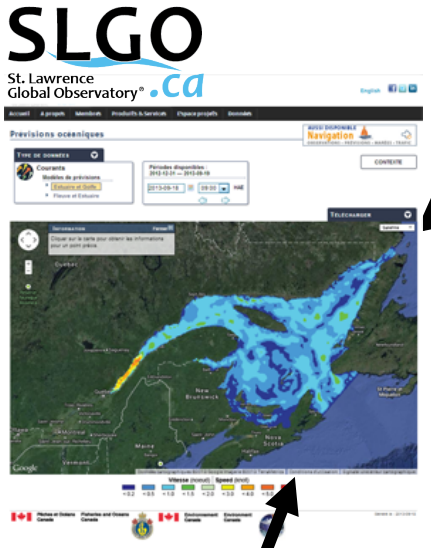
SLGO's end users

- **Scientific community**
- **Decision makers (governments, departments, managers…)**
- **Industries (commercial navigation, fisheries, aquaculture)**
- **Canadian Cost guard (SAR)**
- **Engeneering firms (ex: for envrionmental assessment)**
- **University teachers and graduated student**
- **General public.**

How works the pooling of the IT heritage at SLGO ?

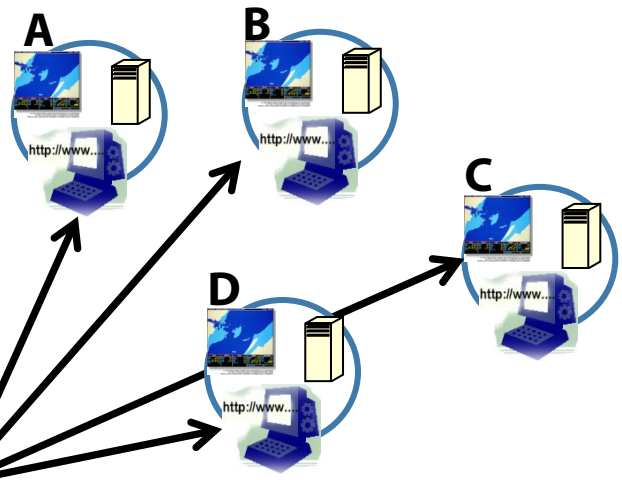
In a gouvernance model

- interoperability
- common standards
  (data exchange protocols, metadata, security, etc.)
- common values :
  - respect of mandates, jurisdictions and technological choices
  - collaboration
  - Efficiency
  - Respect of intellectual property
- quality data, products and services
- secure architecture
- Increased value of information assets



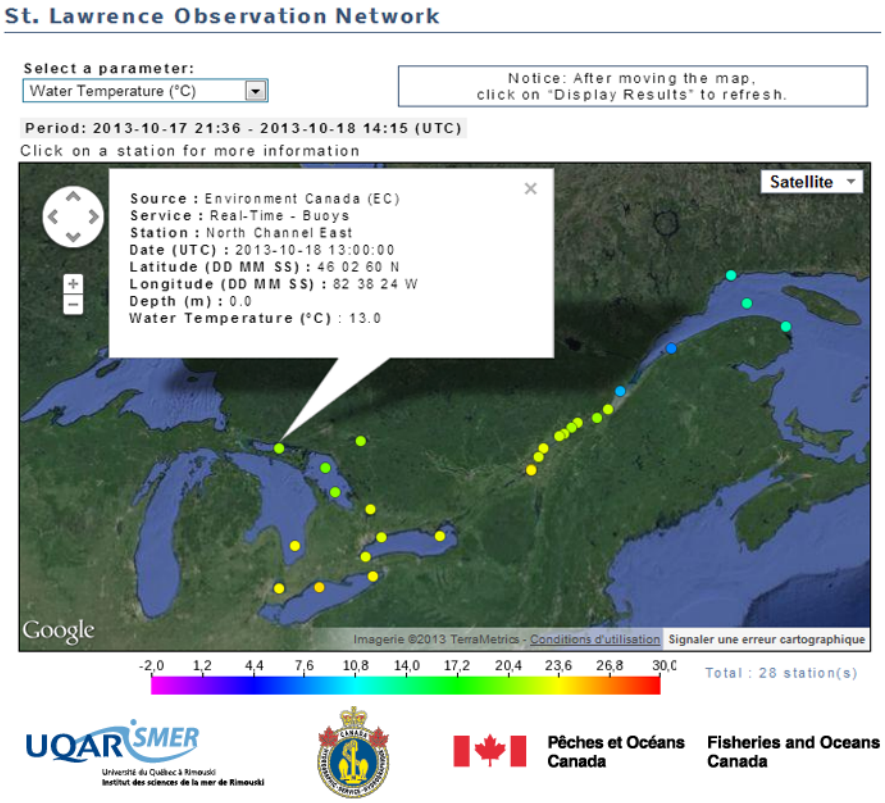
End-user:
individual or application looking for data and information

Data producers and systems



Integrated access to distributed data via Web services

Ex.: Web Access to Distributed Data



- Multi-partner collaborative initiative (government and academic)
- Network of stations (buoys, tide gauges, meteorological stations, thermograph…)
- Real-time and archived data (x,y,z,t)
- Various output (map, graph, table)
- On-Line: http://SLGO.ca

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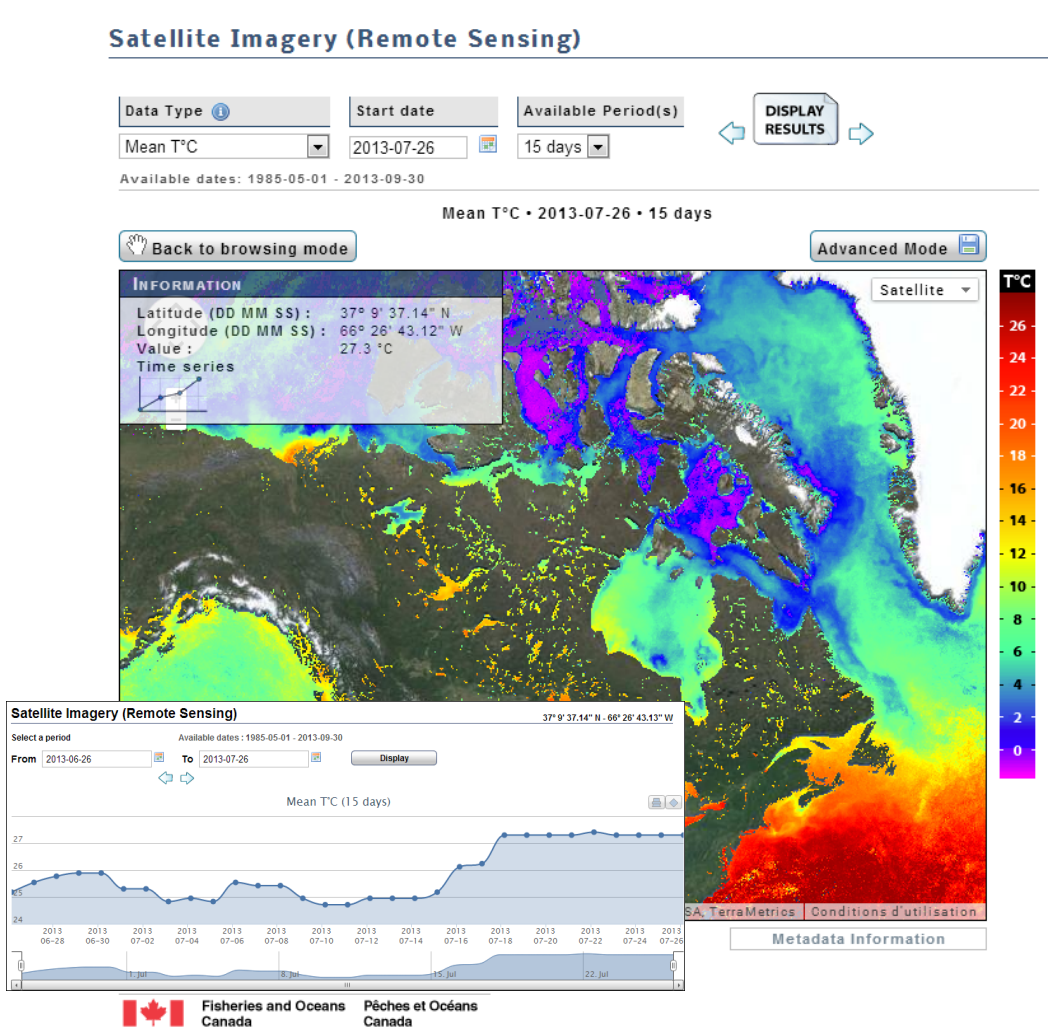
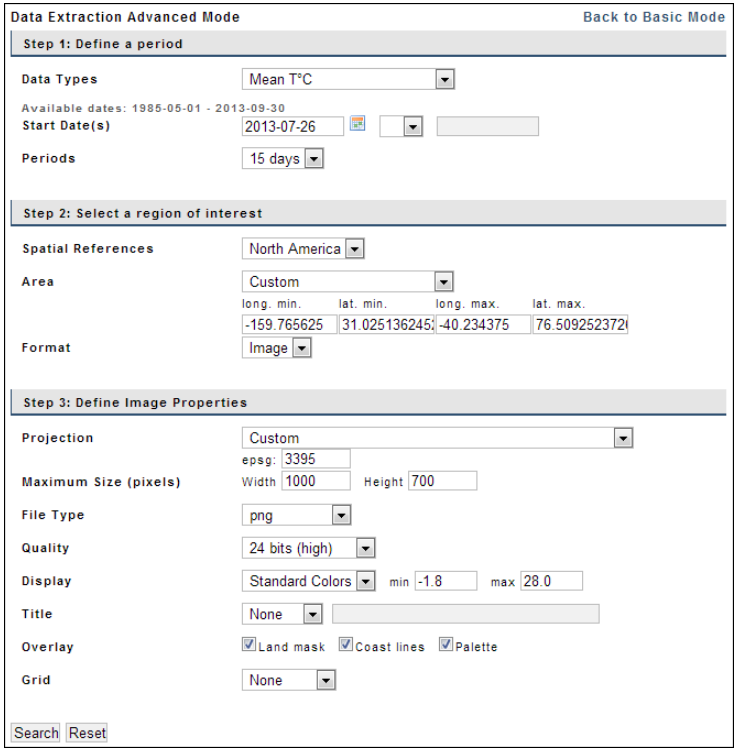
Ex.: Mapping Web Services



- Satellite Imagery–Sea Surface Temperature-SST
- National Coverage
- Various Ouput Format
- On-Line: **http://SLGO.ca**



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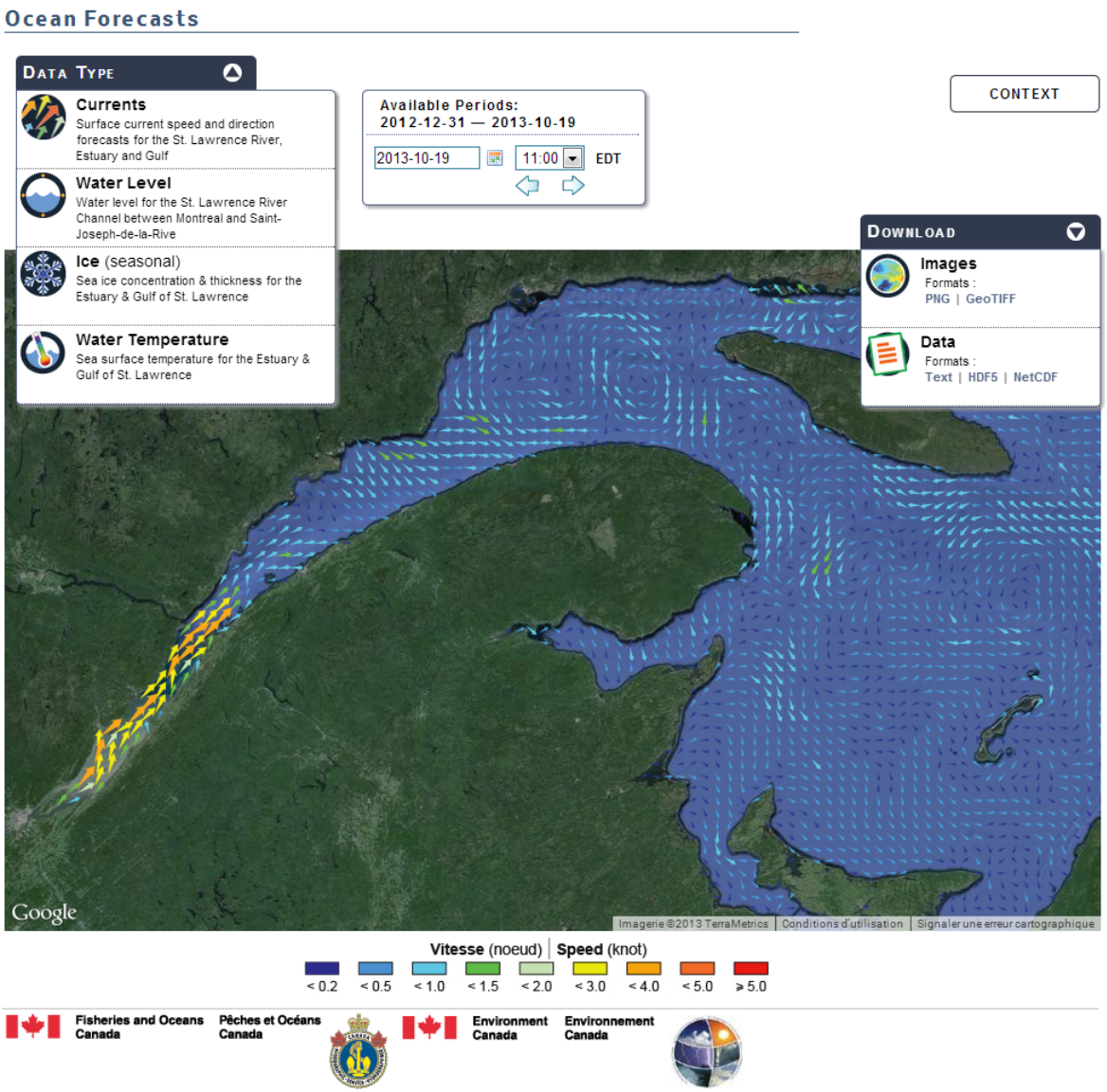
Ex.: Ocean Forecasts Web Services



- Operational oceanography
- Hourly forecasts: sea ice, surface currents
- Inter-institutional collaboration
- On-line at **http://SLGO.ca/**

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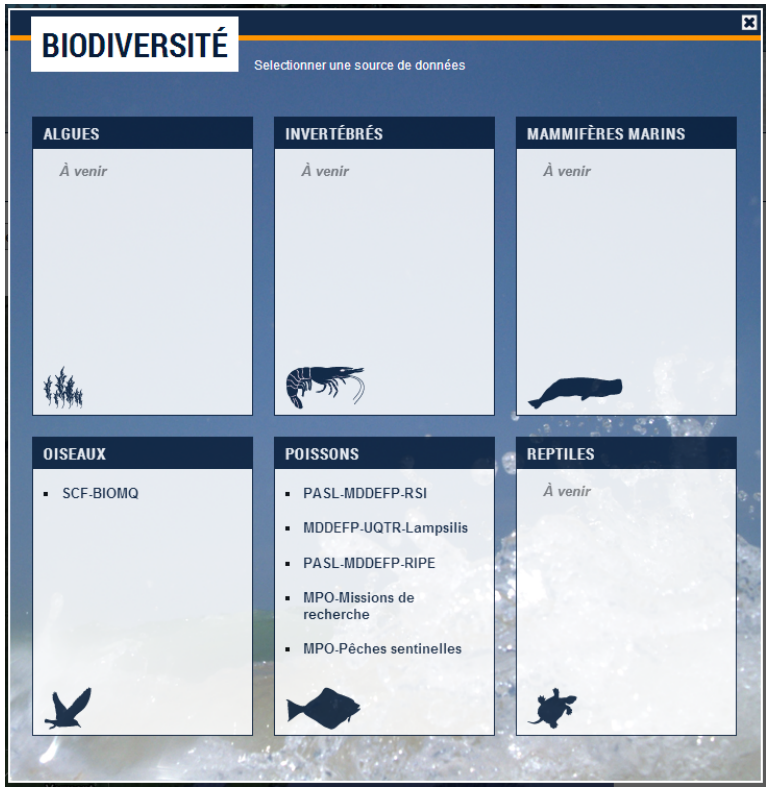
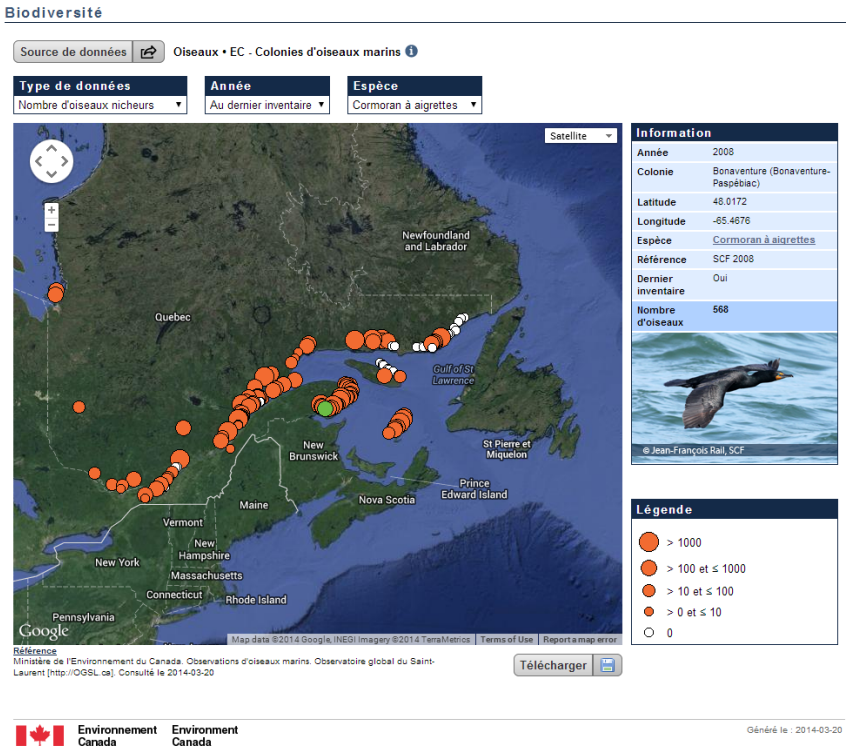
Physical oceanographic datas, but also biological data



Know disseminating datas from NGOs and from crowdsourcing tools on SLGO's site (marine mammals and capelin observation)



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Needs

- For a national, higher political will to fund data dissemination.
- Common standards for data management and data access.
- **Need for an effective national strategy and governance structure to maximize benefits of investments :**

•To date, the various OOS activities represent isolated, regional, and often technology driven projects.

•No national framework exists for developing long term, coordinated objectives and for sharing expertise.

•This fragmented approach decreases the potential value, at a national level, of the investments made and it decreases Canada's potential effectiveness at the international level.

•Canada has a rich opportunity to use its unique regional differences to maximize its OOS capabilities and expertise,

•**but** to truly capitalize on this requires national coordination, *leadership*, and accountability.

Needs

To measure and communicate benefits of OOS:

•To obtain long-term continuing political, financial, and user support there is a need for all of the OOS efforts to focus more on who the end users are, what do they require, and how well the systems contribute to tangible added value.

•Canada needs to move beyond the published lists of possible benefits and now start to track real economic, environmental, and social benefits.

Issues

- Data availability from research center and scientific
- Reluctance to share and disseminate data
- Metadata not described nor catalogued
- No quality control on data
- Absence of standard
- Time and money from data producers and scientific to provide data to SLGO for dissemination
- Resources in members organization to implement Web services to access data.

Opportunities

- To Increase SLGO's membership base in order to maximize the achievement of it's goal.
- To increase knowledge of the existence and availability of Canadian Ocean's data.
- Partnership with other Canadian or US observatories ?
- Partnership in initiative like the Galway statement to join data acquisition and sharing effort across the Atlantic ocean.

Not yet, but working on it…

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Thanks for your attention

ANY QUESTIONS?

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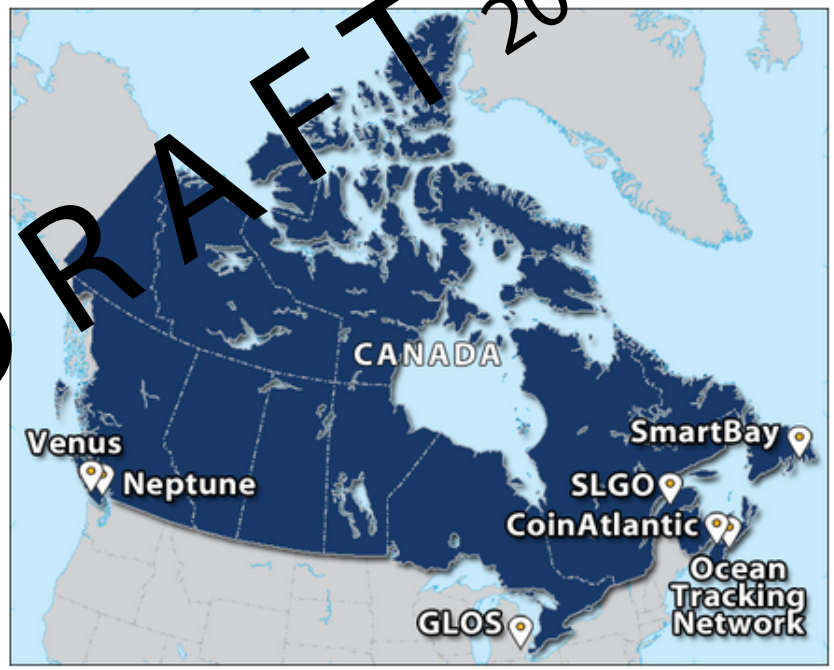

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Canadian OOS study summary

Recommended Future OOS Industry Development Activities

The analysis of the survey results has shown a number of key OOS activities that should be undertaken for the sector.

1. **Initiate National Coordination**
2. **Utilize Innovation for Efficiency and Productivity**: A plan to evaluate potential benefits to government operations and industry should be carried out. This evaluation can be a guide to future OOS investments for efficiency and productivity to be able to make the best decisions for Canada's oceans and Great Lakes.
3. **Improve OOS sustainability**: An initiative to assist OOS with the development of strategies, standards, and plans to improve their sustainability is required.
4. **Encourage Integration of Satellite Observations in OOS**
5. **Utilize Innovation for Export**: Canada should carry out efforts with industry to expand its market share for OOS technology.

Joanne Hamel, SLGO. 2012