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A contribution to the Marine Observatory network

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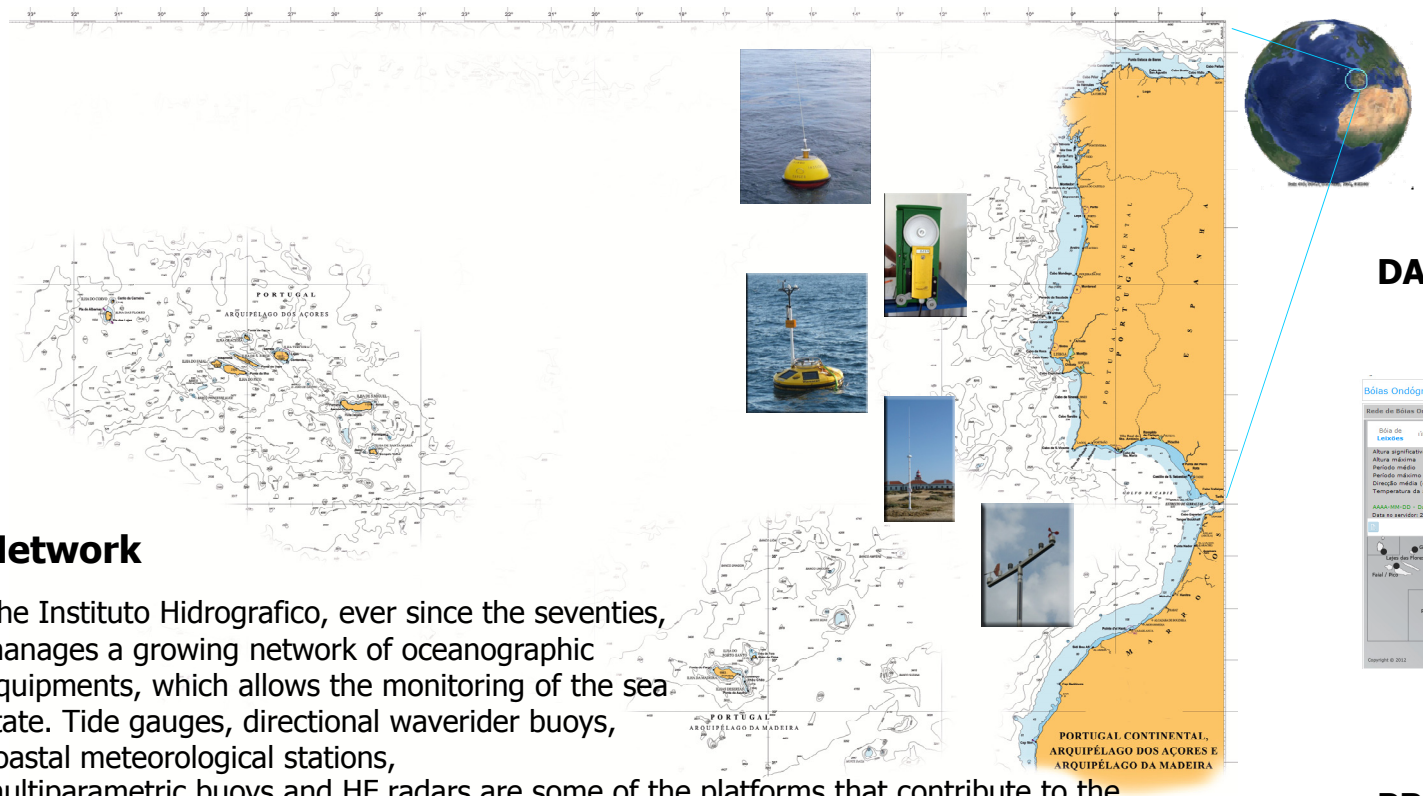


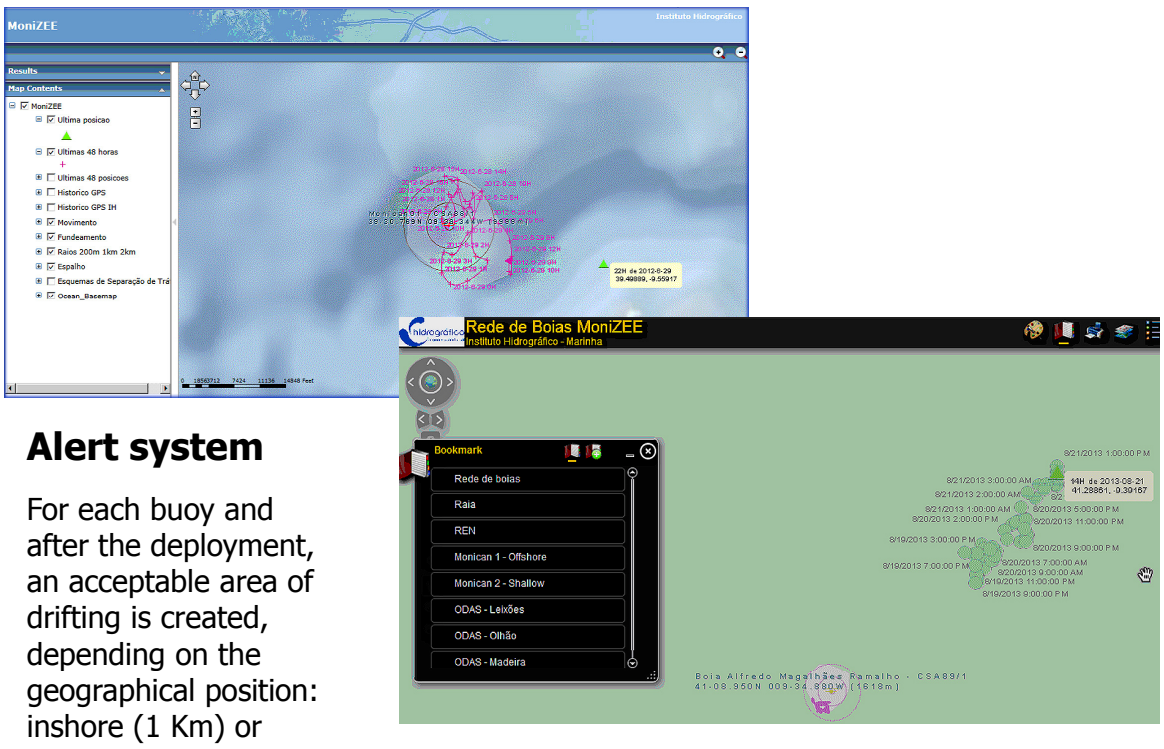
Network

The Instituto Hidrografico, ever since the seventies, manages a growing network of oceanographic equipments, which allows the monitoring of the sea state. Tide gauges, directional waverider buoys, coastal meteorological stations, multiparametric buoys and HF radars are some of the platforms that contribute to the Marine Observatory network.
Data is being made available on near real time over the institute's internet portal.

Alert system

For each buoy and after the deployment, an acceptable area of drifting is created, depending on the geographical position: inshore (1 Km) or offshore (2 Km).
Linked to the database, there is a *GIS* portal, from where it is possible to trace the movements of the platforms at sea.
Whenever the mooring is damaged, the drift can be followed, improving the efficiency on recovering operations.
In 2012, or last August, in the North of Portugal with Alfredo Ramalho buoy where it could be recovered in less than 48h.

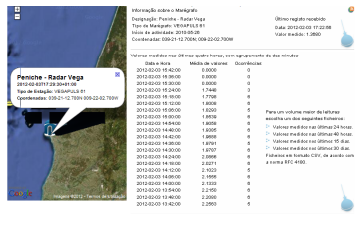
http://gis.hidrografico.pt/flex/monizee/



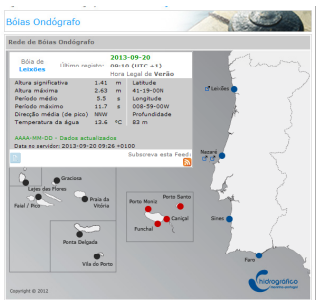
For the community

From data to products

DATA

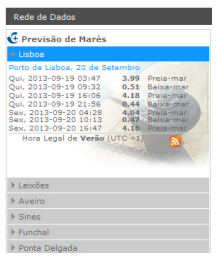


Tide gauge data

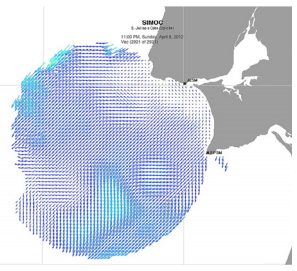


Waves data

PRODUCTS

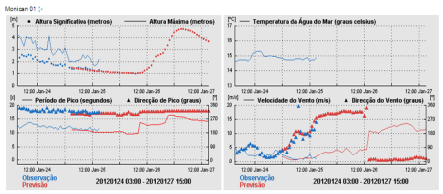


Tides Tables

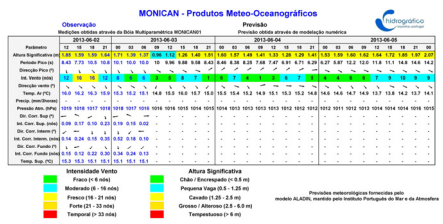


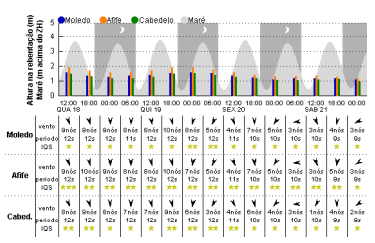
Surface currents from HF radar

Dynamic products are created each hour, combining near real data received from the observatory network and forecasts resulting from the prediction models.



Wave, meteo and temperature parameters are displayed on the portal but a simpler version, table form, is produced and sent to local communities.





A combination of the results from diferent models is used to create a table for surf zone related sports. It includes a quality index for easy reference by the general public.

Comparison of the wave height on the surf zone

To know the sea
so that **all may use it**