



SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY IN 2024 - SUMMARY

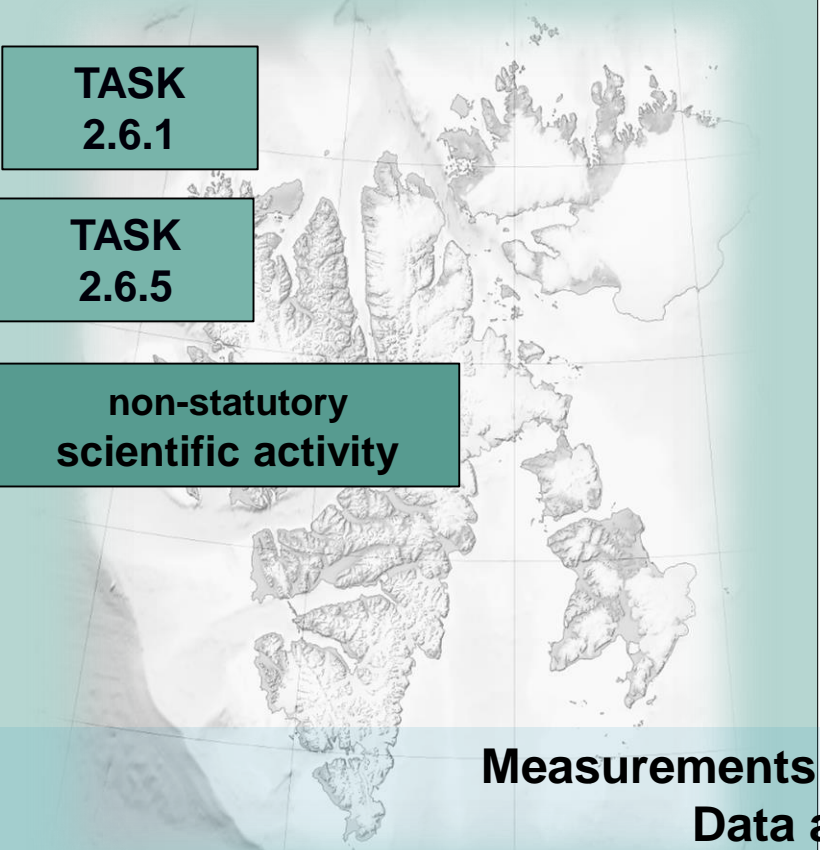
BASIC AND APPLIED RESEARCH

ARCTIC RESEARCH

TASK 2.6.1

TASK 2.6.5

non-statutory scientific activity



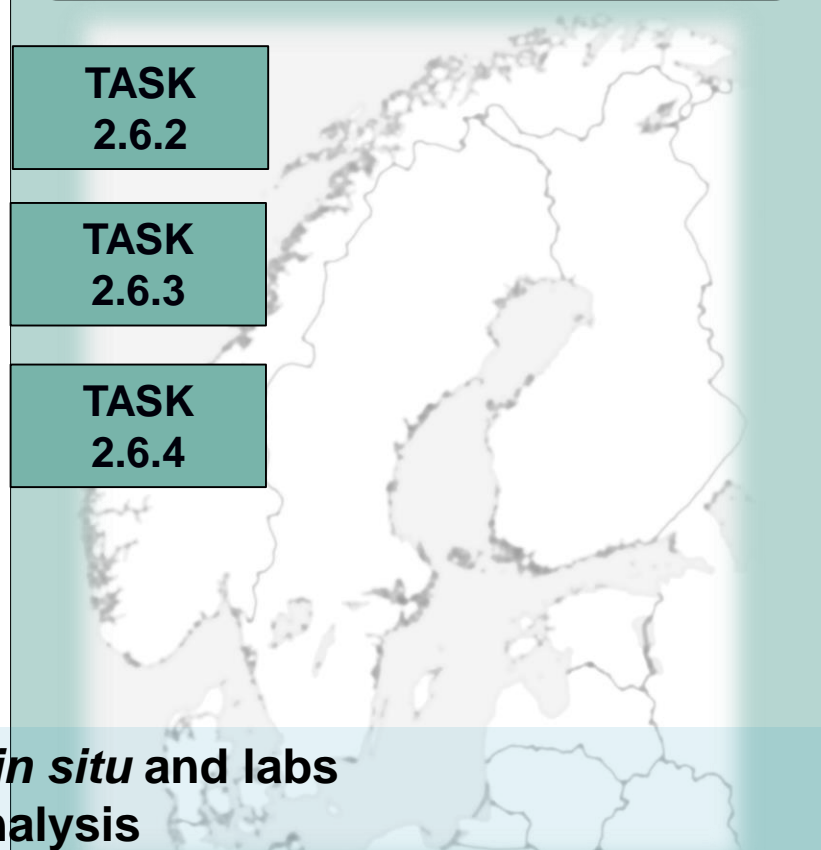
Measurements: *in situ* and labs
Data analysis
Numerical modeling physical phenomena

BALTIC RESEARCH

TASK 2.6.2

TASK 2.6.3

TASK 2.6.4



SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION



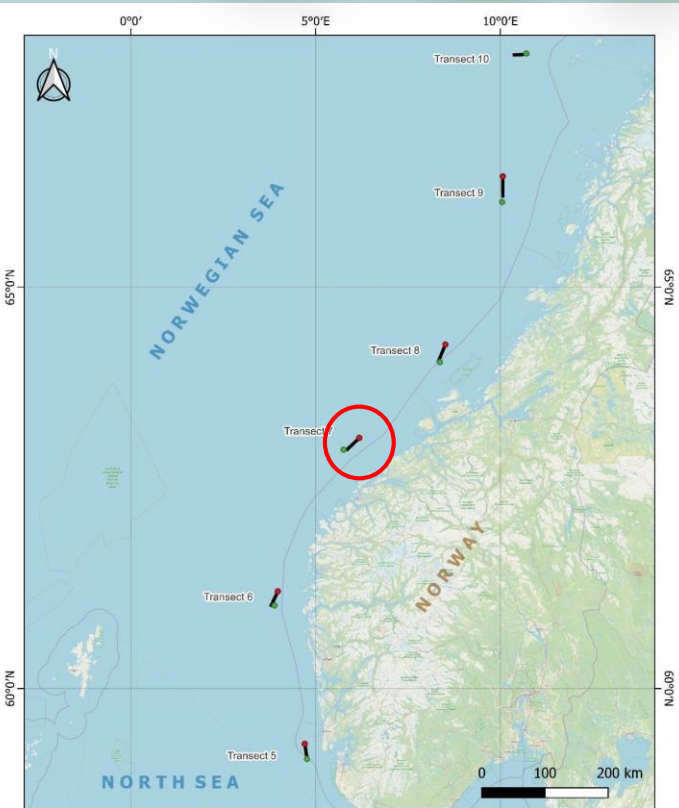
NUMEROUS PARTNERS OF PROJECTS:





CRUISE TO BODO: BACKSCATTERING PROPERTIES OF ORGANISMS IN THE BALTIC, NORTH AND NORWEGIAN SEAS

TASK 2.6.1



Locations of hydroacoustic transects and CTD stations during survey in June 2024

Legend:

- Hydroacoustics transects
- CTD stations at the beginning of the transects
- CTD stations at the end of the transects

Projection: WGS84 / Pseudo-Mercator
Ellipsoid: WGS84
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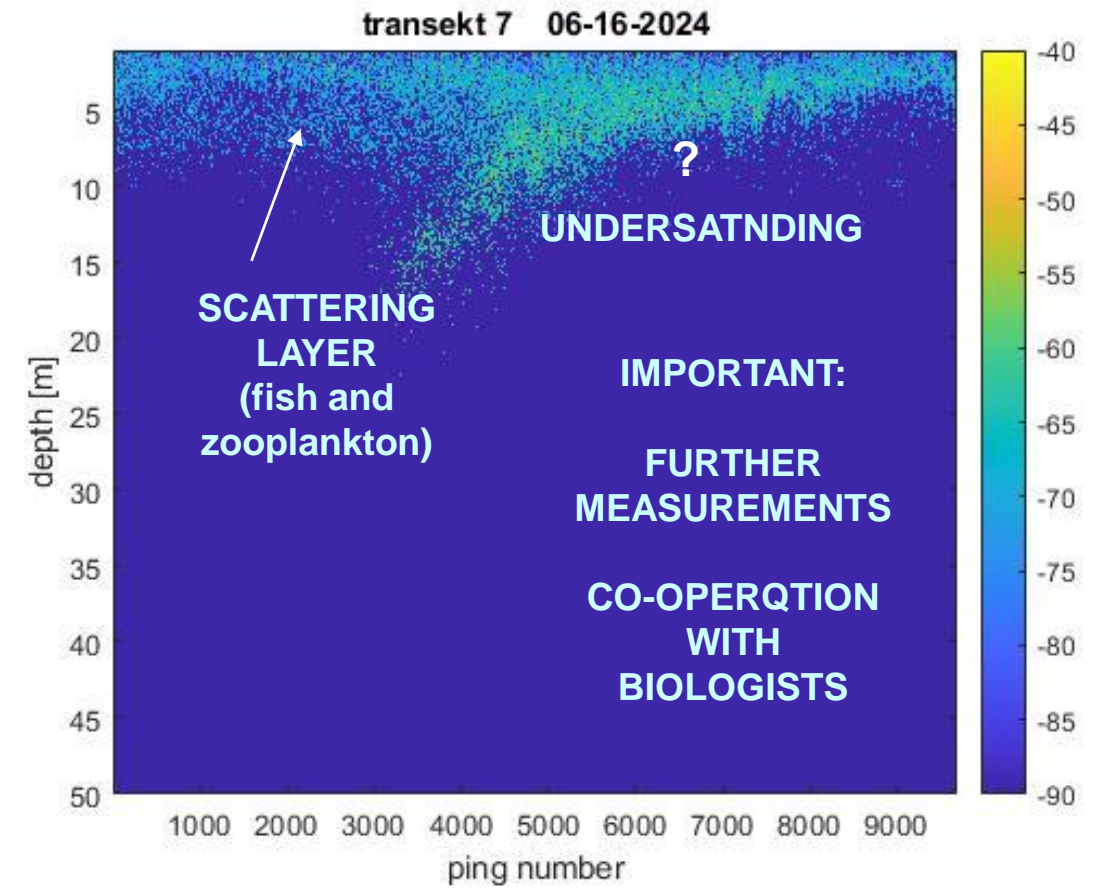
H/A AND CTD – DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

NOVELTY

1. FROM SOUTH TO NORTH:
BACKSCATTERING - STRONGER,
LAYERS: THICKER, AND DEEPER

2. EFFECT OF T and S ON LAYERS

FUTURE PLANS

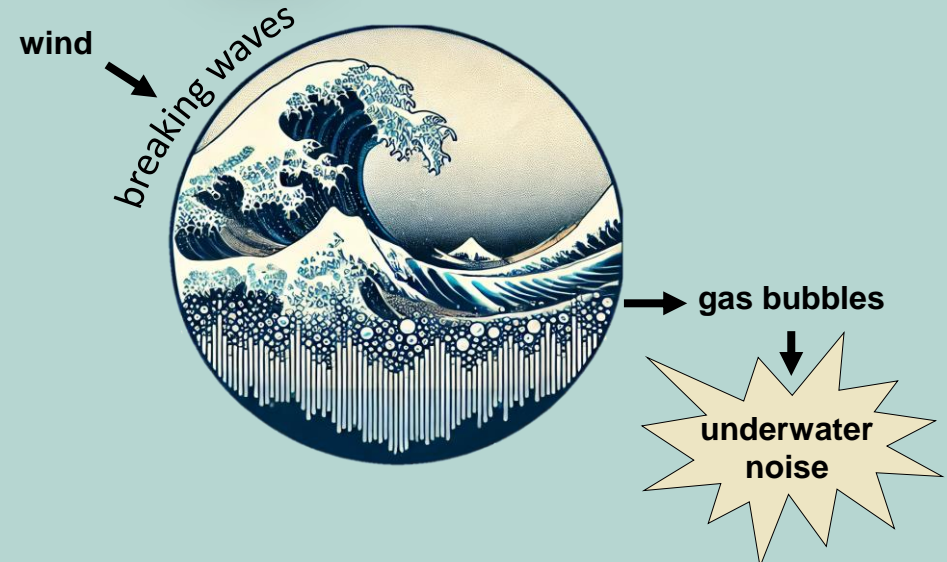


- PUBLICATION IN COOPERATION WITH UG AND MIR (2025)
- SUBSEQUENT MEASUREMENT CAMPAIGNS (2025, 2026...)



IMPACT OF WIND AND WAVES ON UNDERWATER NOISE IN THE BALTIC SEA

TASK 2.6.2



Open ocean: **NOISE ~ (WIND SPEED)**

Semi-enclosed
Baltic Sea



Differences:

- sound propagation conditions
- proximity to land
- bathymetry

Baltic Sea: **NOISE ~ (WIND SPEED)** is site-specific

NOVELTY

Use of underwater noise to estimate parameters of different processes at and close to air-sea boundary

Noise-wind-waves-bubbles relations at different Baltic Sea locations.

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

Influence of wind and waves on ambient noise and bubble entrainment depth in the semi-enclosed Baltic Sea

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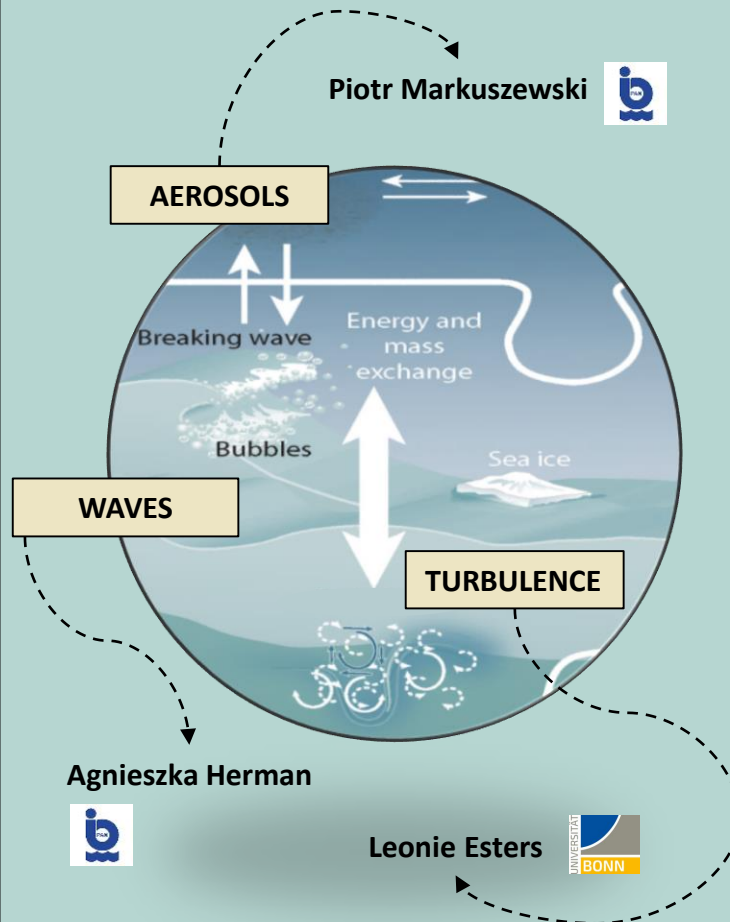


37th Symposium
on Hydroacoustics,
May 2024 Łeba, Poland



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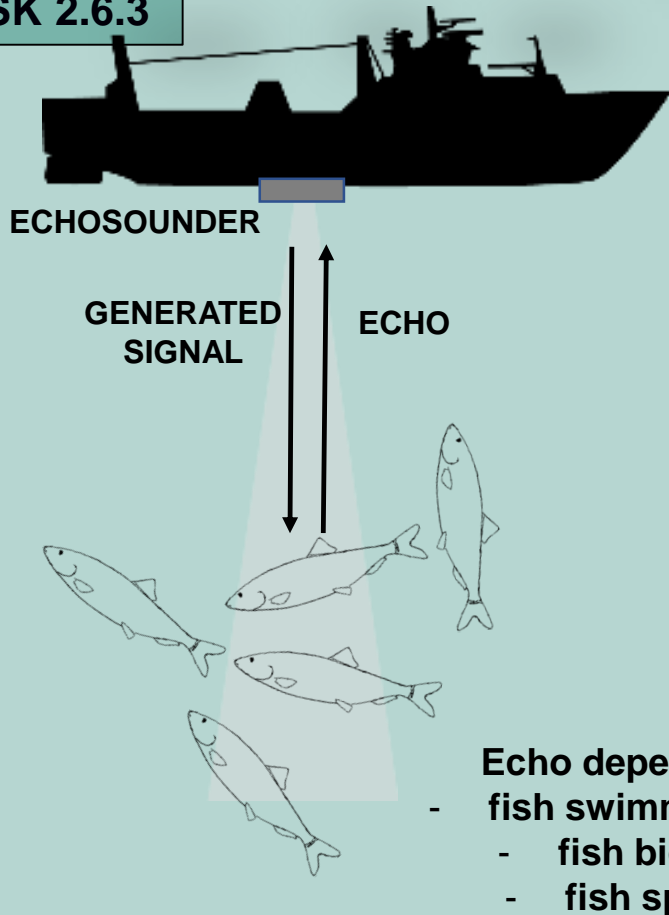
Does underwater **noise** hold secrets about subsurface **turbulence** or **aerosol emission**?





HYDROACOUSTIC DETERMINATION OF SWIMMING ANGLE OF BALTIC HERRING INDIVIDUALS

TASK 2.6.3



Is it possible to obtain Baltic herring swimming angles from echoes?

Key question in h/a biomass estimation at Baltic Sea

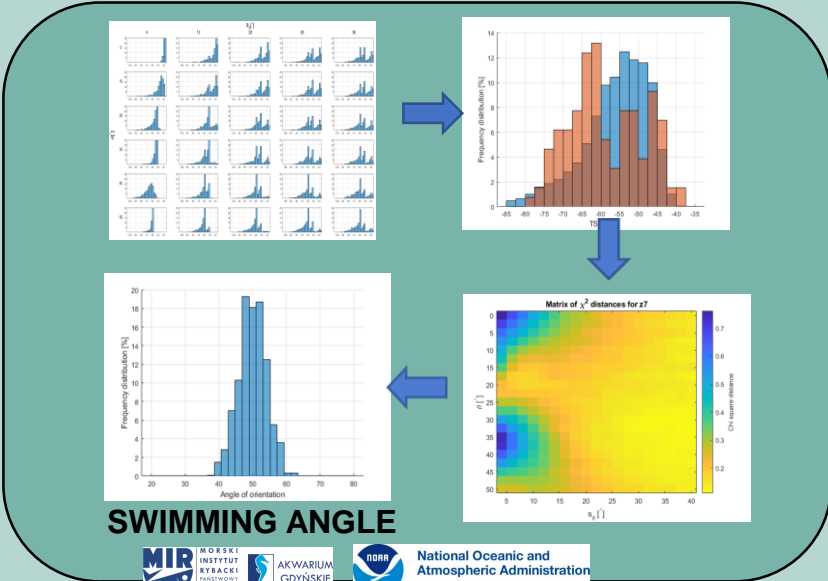
NOVELTY

New hydroacoustic method of swimming angle determination

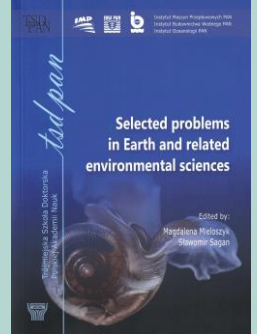
It is based on:

- improved backscattering model
- deeper understanding of backscattering
- routine data

(Polish component of ICES BIAS)



PUBLICATIONS



37th Symposium on Hydroacoustics, 14.05.2024-17.05.2024 Łeba, Poland

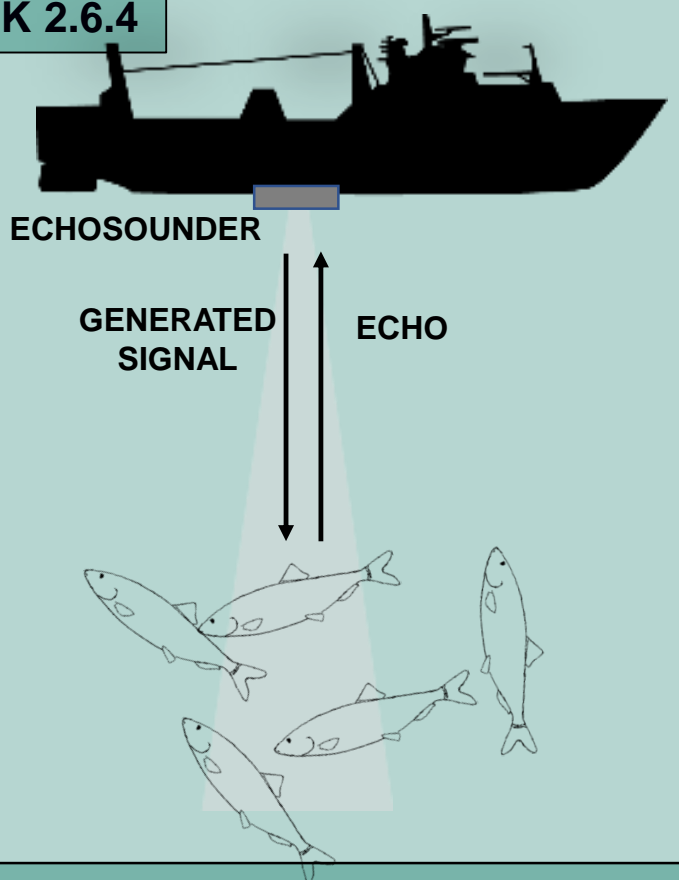
ICES WGFASST Symposium, 2024, 09.04.2024-12. 04.2024 Plouzané, Francja

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Verification of algorithm in controlled lab- or ex-situ-conditions



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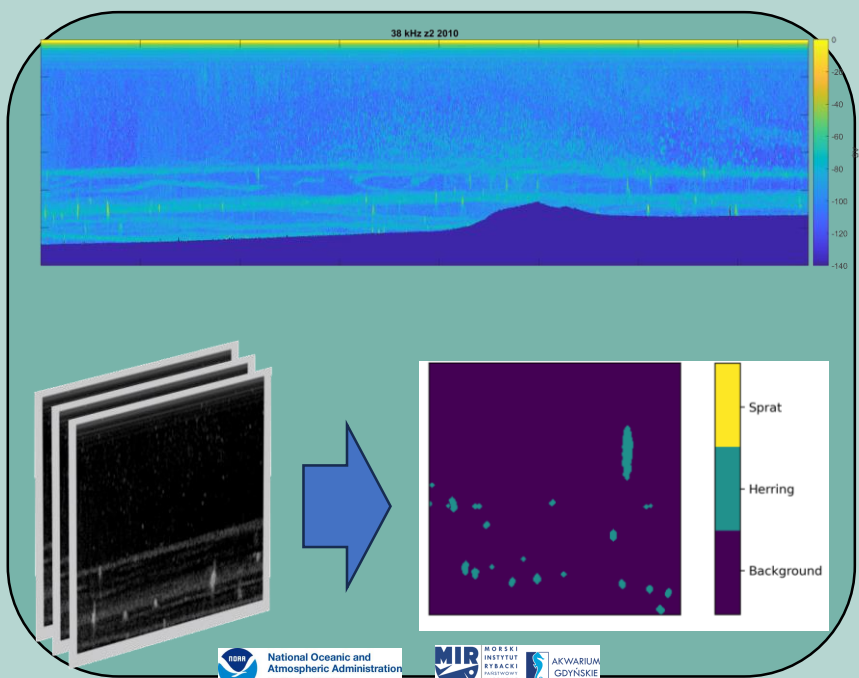


**Is it possible to discriminate
Baltic herring and sprat
from echoes?**

Key question in h/a biomass estimation at Baltic Sea

NOVELTY

Adopting of
image processing algorithms
(Convolution Neural Networks)
to Baltic herring and sprat
identification



FUTURE PLANS

Algorithm improvement

Implimentation
in h/a biomass estimation
of Baltic herring and sprat
(ICES BIAS project)

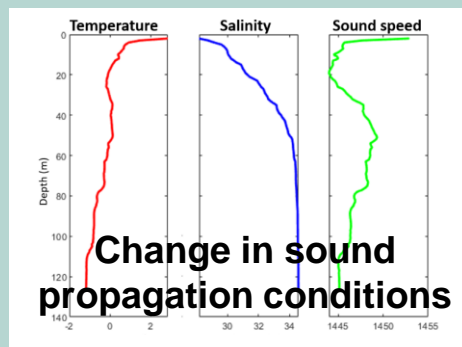


CLIMATE-DRIVEN VARIABILITY OF SOUND TRANSMISSION LOSSES IN HORNSUND (SVALBARD): IMPACT ON NOISE POLLUTION AND MARINE MAMMALS

TASK 2.6.5

Climate warming

Glacier and sea-ice melting in Arctic fjords



Change in underwater noise pollution

Change of well-being of marine mammals



<https://voicesinthesea.ucsd.edu>

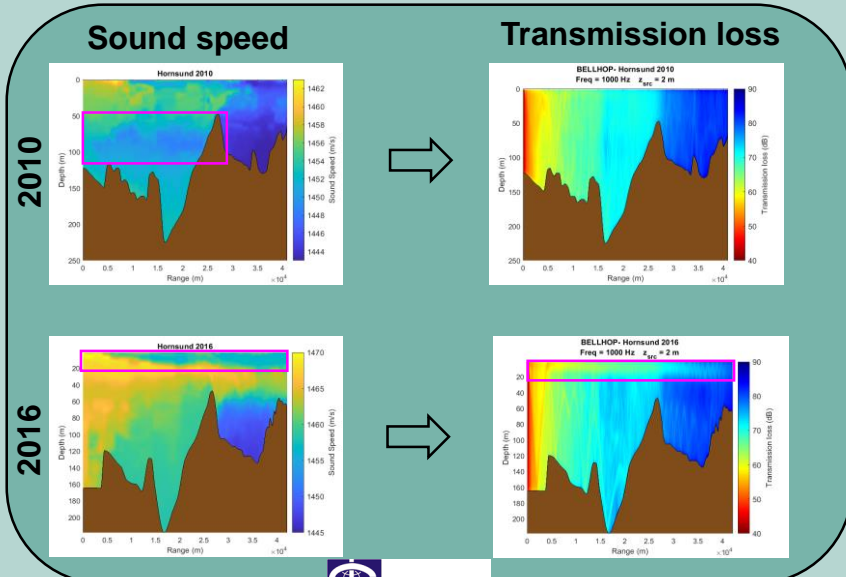
NOVELTY

The first longterm study
in Hornsund fjord, Svalbard

Climate
warming

Better
conditions of
ship noise
propagation

Well-
being of
marine
mammals



FUTURE PLANS





DUMPED MUNITION STUDIES WITH THE HYDROACOUSTIC AND GEOPHYSICAL METHODS

ONGOING PROJECTS

- MarTERA ERA-NET Enhanced Remote Operated Vehicle interface for munition studies – EROVMUS; 2021 – 2025; 2.1 M €
- EU Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme **Baltic Sea Munitions Remediation Roadmap – MUNIMAP** 2024-2027; 3.87 M €
- EU **Mitigation of Risk Due to Submerged Munitions for a Sustainable Development of the Baltic Sea – MUNI-RISK**; 2024 – 2027; 2.48 M €
- HORIZON Research and Innovation Actions **Marine Munition in Europe – Solutions with Economic and Ecological Profits for Efficient Remediation – MMinE-SWEEPER**; 2024– 2028; 5.98 M €

UXO AND CWA STUDIES

- Dumpsites mapping with the AUV (side-scan sonar, magnetometer)
- Direct observation of dangerous objects with the ROV (4K videos, photogrammetry, multibeam sonar)
- Precise sediment and water sampling with the ROV
- Spatial analysis and data management (GIS software)
- Databases development (TrueOcean platform, GeoNodes)
- Underwater technology development (ROVs, CSSD)

ACTIONS

