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Executive Summary

This document reports the BigDataOcean dissemination and communication activities carried out during the 2nd reporting period of the project (M16-M30) and provides an overall view on the indicators accomplished during the full duration of the project. To assess the achievement of the objectives, all of the period's activities are quantified and assessed against the KPIs and plan set in the previous D8.4 "Communication and Stakeholder Engagement Report and Plan for Second Reporting Period".

Strong emphasis has been put on activities towards engaging stakeholders mainly from the maritime industry, while not neglecting the wave energy community. Positive results have been achieved, not only in terms of awareness but also in terms of impact. As an example, such dissemination and communication activities enabled the BigDataOcean platform evaluation by more than 1100 individuals, and as highlighted in the deliverable D6.5, 70% of the ones engaged in the last evaluation phase were related with stakeholders from the maritime and energy industries.

The number of dissemination events attended addressing industrial stakeholders has also increased. More than 2/3 (about 70%) of the events (29 in total) have attendants coming from the maritime and energy related communities, the main BigDataOcean targeted end-users. As a direct consequence, the number of industry contact points has grown more than 400% (from 59 at M15 to 309 at M30). BigDataOcean communication has also reflected a positive impact. For instance, the number of followers in social channels increased nearly 45% (from 176 to 255 in a similar period, reaching 431 followers in total) and the unique visitors to the website 124% (from 2707 visitors at M15 to 6051 at M30).

| | Mechanism | Achieved KPIs | Score Index ¹ |
|--|---|---------------|--------------------------|
| Dissemination  | D1 "Organisation of project events" | 3/3 | 1.25 |
| | D2 "Participation to conferences and workshops" | 3/3 | 1.63 |
| | D3 "Publications" | 3/3 | 1.29 |
| | D4 "Community building/ engagement with stakeholders" | 3/3 | 1.26 |
| | D5 "Collaboration and synergies with projects" | 2/2 | 1.83 |
| | D6 "Internal dissemination in partner's networks" | 3/3 | 1.21 |
| | D7 "Standardisation contributions" | 2/2 | 2.25 |
| Communication  | C1 "Project's Website" | 3/3 | 1.17 |
| | C2 "Social media presence" | 1/3 | 1.90 |
| | C3 "Website Content" | 3/3 | 1.12 |
| | C4 "Traditional media" | 1/1 | 1.13 |
| | C5 "Communication material" | 8/8 | 1.87 |

¹A score higher than 1 means that the BigDataOcean activities surpassed the average envisaged the KPIs (all were considered to have the same impact weight, e.g. conference papers have the same weigh than journal papers). $Score = \frac{A_1 + \dots + A_N}{T_1 + \dots + T_N}$, where A_1 refers to the value achieved for the first KPI of the considered dissemination or communication mechanism, T_1 is the target value for the same KPI and N is the number of KPIs associated to that mechanism.

The table above illustrates the project performance in face of the different dissemination and communication mechanisms:

- **Dissemination:** All goals defined for the second reporting period have been achieved and even surpassed as highlighted by the score index. A special importance has been given to Maritime Industry related events, and additionally to what has already been highlighted, activities such as webinars, hackathons, and training sessions have been promoted to foster participation of the community.
- **Communication:** Most of the pre-defined goals were achieved. Among the most relevant achievements is the number of press-releases (9), the growing number of unique visitors, and the interaction with website content through for instance, blog posts (42). Even if not all the social media presence KPIs have been met, we can consider that this kind of communication mechanism was positive. 1099 interactions in social media have been registered in this period when the plan only accounted for 208, a clear demonstration of interest by the community.

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List of Abbreviations

| | |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| BDO | BigDataOcean |
| DoA | Description of the Action |
| D $x.y$ | Deliverable y from Task x |
| KPI | Key Performance Indicator |
| T $x.y$ | Task y from Work package x |
| WP | Work package |

1 Introduction

1.1 Objective of the Deliverable

This deliverable reports the final results of WP8 “Dissemination and Communication Activities”.

Focusing on the second reporting period, it addresses all the tasks within the work package, detailing and accounting all dissemination, communication and stakeholder engagement activities performed during the last 15 months of the project. In detail, D8.5 has the objective to report the activities conducted to enlarge the community, establish a solid online presence, and reach a number of publications at both industrial and technical level. Interaction with standardisation bodies and the organisation of specific events such as hackathons are also to be reported. Finally, it provides a detailed report about the data collected and generated during the project, describing how it will be shared and opened after the project’s completion.

To assess the achievement of the objectives, D8.5 quantifies all activities and will match the progresses facing the indicators that have been defined in the DoA, and later revised in the D8.4, to acquire and engage more stakeholders from the maritime industry. To note that in face of the pilot 4 focus on energy production, also energy-related stakeholders are targeted.

1.2 Relation with other Tasks and WPs

This deliverable is strongly related with Task T8.1 “Dissemination, Communication and Maritime Stakeholders Engagement Planning”, where dissemination and communication plans with targeted key performance indicators (KPIs) are defined. These plans were updated, together with new KPIs, in Deliverable D8.4, to which this document refers as a mean to evaluate the objectives of WP8. This deliverable clearly defined dissemination and communication according to European Commission guidelines:

- **Dissemination:** public disclosure of the results of a project across any medium. It is the process of promoting and generating awareness about the project from the very beginning. Its aim is to make the project results known to various stakeholder groups in a targeted way.
- **Communication:** related to taking measures for promoting the project and its results to a multitude of audiences including the broad public, while engaging in a two-way exchange of information.

These definitions are maintained throughout the present deliverable.

Despite the relation with other project activities, there is a relevant correspondence to Task T6.7 “Pilots’ Evaluation, Lessons Learnt and Impact Assessment”, from WP6. Many of the dissemination and communication activities contributed to reach more than 1100 users and engage them in the evaluation of the BigDataOcean results.

1.3 Structure of the Document

Besides this introductory section, this deliverable is structured as follows:

- **Section 2** describes the **Dissemination Activities** of BigDataOcean. Focusing on the period from M16 to M30, it starts with a description of envisaged vs. achieved targets for all

KPIs relating distinct dissemination mechanisms, as set in D8.4. A metric for the final numbers achieved in the full duration of the project is also presented. Each of those dissemination mechanisms is individually analysed in the subsections of Section 2. These are the following:

- Organisation of project events;
 - Participation to conferences and workshops;
 - Publications;
 - Community building/ engagement with stakeholders;
 - Collaboration and synergies with projects;
 - Internal dissemination in partner's networks; and
 - Standardisation contributions.
- **Section 3** concerns the **Communication Activities** of the project. The same approach of the preceding section, comparing the envisaged vs. achieved targets for all KPIs was followed. The defined communication mechanisms are detailed in each of the subsection of 3, and are the following:
 - Project's website;
 - Social media presence;
 - Project's blog; and
 - Traditional media and communication material.
 - **Section 4** provides a report about the **Data Collected and Generated During the Project**, indicating how it will be shared and opened after the project's completion. The full list of the datasets and their description is presented in Annex I of deliverable D5.6 "BigDataOcean Platform Final Release".
 - **Section 5** concludes the document.

2 Dissemination Activities

The dissemination plan of the BigDataOcean project, depicted in Figure 1, comprises three different phases ("Phase I: Raise Awareness", "Phase II: Inform and Interact" and "Phase III: Promote") which aim to achieve six different objectives over time. Taking this into consideration, this section reports the dissemination activities conducted during the second reporting period of the BigDataOcean project (i.e. M16 to M30), comprising, therefore, the two last phases of the dissemination plan and aiming to achieve the following objectives:

- I. Ensure maximum visibility of the project in the target audiences via appropriate key messages;
- II. Timely diffuse the scientific and technological knowledge generated in the project within and beyond the project's consortium;
- III. Establish liaisons with other projects and initiatives for knowledge and innovation transfer;
- IV. Engage the targeted audiences to get feedback and validate the project's results;
- V. Attract potential users / clients and stimulate the appropriate market segments to support the project's exploitation strategy; and
- VI. Encourage the development of further outcomes in new initiatives.

| Dissemination Mechanisms | BigDataOcean Phases | | |
|--|--|---|---|
| | Phase I: Raise Awareness (M1-M12) Diss. Obj. I, III Activities' Intensity: Low Target Audiences: ALL | Phase II: Inform and Interact (M13-M24) Diss. Obj. I, II, III, IV Activities' Intensity: High Target Audiences: ALL | Phase III: Promote (M25-M30) Diss. Obj. II, III, IV, V, VI Activities' Intensity: High Target Audiences: ALL |
| (D1) Organisation of Project Events | D1.I) Organisation of workshops in scientific conferences | D1.II) Organisation of workshops in scientific conferences, industry events & fairs; Organisation of hackathon | D1.III) Organisation of workshops in industry events; Organisation of hackathon & demo events |
| (D2) Participation to Conferences & Workshops | D2.I) Participation to events; Presentation of project scope; Interaction with participants | D2.II) Presentation of project's results to events; Representation in booths | D2.III) Presentation of project's results and business case to events; Representation in demo sessions |
| (D3) Scientific Publications | D3.I) Publication of position papers / review papers in conferences | D3.II) Publication of methodology papers in conferences | D3.III) Publication of overall project's results in journals & industry magazines |
| (D4) Community Building / Engagement with Stakeholders | D4.I) Establishment of contact points; Liaison with industry communities and networks; Promotion of project's communication material; Interviews | D4.II) Validation of results with key stakeholders in events / online; Interaction with industry communities and networks; Invitation to project's events | D4.III) Creation of network of potential users; Promotion of project's application stories; Invitation for demos; Training webinars |
| (D5) Collaboration and synergies with projects | D5.I) Synergies identification; Establishment of contact points; Exchange of ideas & intentions | D5.II) Periodic bilateral exchange of news & results, Joint presence in events | D5.III) Joint engagement in events / demo days |
| (D6) Internal Dissemination in partner's networks | D6.I) Project's links & news in partners' website, social media accounts, newsletters | D6.II) Inclusion of projects' results in partners' events | D6.III) Demonstration of results in partners' premises; Training; Reuse of results |
| (D7) Standardisation Contributions | D7.I) Registration / participation to relevant working groups; Alignment with existing standards | D7.II) Participation to working groups' telcos and events; Presentation of project's outcomes | D7.III) Participation to working groups' telcos and events; Presentation of project's demos |

Figure 1: BigDataOcean Dissemination Plan (from DoA)

To achieve these objectives during "Phase II: Inform and Interact" and "Phase III: Promote", from M16 to M30, seven dissemination mechanisms were used, which are also referred in Figure 1. As presented in Table 2-1, the targeted values for **all KPIs have been achieved not only for the second reporting period (M16-M30) but also for the full duration of the project**. The following sections detail the results associated to each dissemination mechanism.

Table 2-1: Dissemination monitoring and evaluation measurements for the second period

| Dissemination Mechanism | Related KPIs | Target M16-M30 | Achieved M16-M30 | Achieved M1-M30 |
|--|--|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| D1 "Organisation of project events" | Number of workshops organised | 4 | 5 | 14 |
| | Number of hackathons organised | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| | Number of demo events | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| D2 "Participation to conferences and workshops" | Number of attended events | 19 | 29 | 50 |
| | Number of events with project's presentation | 14 | 19 | 30 |
| | Number of project's demo booths | 3 | 6 | 6 |
| D3 "Publications" | Number of conference papers | 7 | 13 | 21 |
| | Number of journal papers | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of articles in trade press | 16 | 16 | 16 ² |
| D4 "Community building/ engagement with stakeholders" | Number of industry contact points | 241 | 250 | 309 |
| | Number of industry communities informed about the project | 22 | 30 | 38 |
| | Number of webinars | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| D5 "Collaboration and synergies with projects" | Number of projects with synergies | 4 | 8 | 19 |
| | Number of joint activities | 3 | 5 | 12 |
| D6 "Internal dissemination in partner's networks" | Number of internal partners' events | 9 | 14 | 15 |
| | Number of links to the project's website | 14 | 15 | 51 |
| | Number of training sessions | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| D7 "Standardisation contributions" | Number of working groups | 2 | 7 | 8 |
| | Number of project's presentations in standardisation meeting (online or offline) | 5 | 5 | 6 |

2.1 Organisation of project events

During the second reporting period, five workshops and six demo events were organised by the BigDataOcean partners, which comprised demonstrations of the platform in general and each of the four developed pilots in particular (see Table 2-2).

Given the logistic difficulties and cost saving needs, some of the events have been co-hosted within larger events such as conferences. For instance, Pilot 2 events were conducted in the Mongoos³ annual meeting, during the dedicated "Operational Oceanography Downstream Services" workshop that took place in Genoa, Italy on the 5th - 6th of December 2018 (M24). The Pilot 2 service and the BigDataOcean platform in general were subjected to the analysis of the Mediterranean oceanographic community and important feedback and evaluations were collected. Indeed, the events associated to the pilot services counted with the presence of the respective stakeholders (including participants

² This metric was not available in the first reporting period, thus the value of M16-M30 is equal to the M1-M30

³ <http://www.mongoos.eu/home>

from Maritime and/or Energy industries) and several evaluations and important feedback was collected as a contribute to WP6.

Table 2-2: Dissemination events - Mechanism "Organisation of project events"

| Event | Date | BDO Focus | Participants |
|---|------|-------------------------|--|
| Workshop Within EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 conference | M21 | BDO platform in general | Big Data Community, Researchers and Academia and Industry in General |
| Demo Event Within EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 conference | M21 | BDO platform in general | Big Data Community, Researchers and Academia and Industry in General |
| Workshop within Mongoos annual meeting | M24 | Pilot 2 | Maritime Industry and Mediterranean oceanographic community |
| Demo Event within Mongoos annual meeting | M24 | Pilot 2 | Maritime Industry and Mediterranean oceanographic community |
| Workshop At ANEK and FOINIKAS premises | M28 | Pilot 1 | Ship owners, maritime operators, maritime equipment constructors, representatives from the transport and logistics industries |
| Demo Event At ANEK and FOINIKAS premises | M28 | Pilot 1 | Ship owners, maritime operators, maritime equipment constructors, representatives from the transport and logistics industries |
| Workshop within Maritime Big Data Workshop | M17 | Pilot 3 | Representatives from Transport and Logistics industries, Port Authorities, Law Enforcement and Coastguards |
| Demo Event within Maritime Big Data Workshop | M17 | Pilot 3 | Representatives from Transport and Logistics industries, Port Authorities, Law Enforcement and Coastguards |
| Hackathon At FCT/UNL premises in Caparica, Portugal | M29 | Pilot 4 | Energy related Research and academia |
| Demo Event Co-dated with the IEEE CEISEE conference | M29 | Pilot 4 | Research and academia |
| Workshop At REN premises in Santarém, Portugal | M30 | Pilot 4 | Offshore renewables services providers, one zone concessionaire, oceanographic research centres, energy producers, data providers, Portuguese transmission system operator, other public entities (e.g. Directorate-General for Maritime Policy) |
| Demo Event At REN premises in Santarém, Portugal | M30 | Pilot 4 | Offshore renewables services providers, one zone concessionaire, oceanographic research centres, energy producers, data providers, Portuguese transmission system operator, other public entities (e.g. Directorate-General for Maritime Policy) |
| Hackathon At NTUA premises in Athens, Greece | M30 | BDO platform in general | Research and academia |

It is also worth mentioning that to maximise the benefit of the stakeholders and their agendas, some events followed each-other in agenda, for instance, the workshop after the demo event. This

arrangement provided more support for a fruitful discussion and engagement with the stakeholders. Such arrangement was the case for two of the Pilot 4 related events organised at REN premises in Santarém, Portugal (Portuguese Transmission System Operator, <https://www.ren.pt>). In Figure 2 illustrates both pilot 4 demo events (the second was organised by Uninova in the frame of the IEEE CEISSE conference).



Figure 2: Pilot 4 associated events. Demo event organised at UNINOVA (left) and workshop organised by R&D NESTER with the support of the REN.

Additionally, two hackathons were organised. The first one took place at the Faculty of Science Technology of Nova University of Lisbon on 13/05/2019 where student of the Renewable Energy Technologies course were challenged to find the best location on the Portuguese coast to develop a wave energy farm using the services associated to Pilot 4 (see Figure 3). The students had 30 minutes to find the best location and to characterise the respective wave energy resource in terms of annual energy generation and minimum, average and maximum power output. A total of 51 students participated in this event, supervised by two Professors of that University. The second hackathon took place at the National Technical University of Athens Campus on 06/06/2019 with the students of the Big, Open and Linked data course of the "Digital Innovation and Startups Entrepreneurship" postgraduate program course in combination with the AEGIS project. Initially there was a demonstration of the tools of the AEGIS and BigDataOcean platform. Thereafter the students were asked to perform specific data querying and visualisation tasks for both platforms. For the BigDataOcean platform, the students were challenged in one hour to present interesting join queries from the datasets available in the BigDataOcean platform. A total of 14 people participated in this event, supervised by one professor and one PhD student of the university.



Figure 3: Energy hackathon at Faculty of Science and Technology of Nova University of Lisbon (FCT/UNL) on 13/05/2019

2.2 Participation to conferences and workshops



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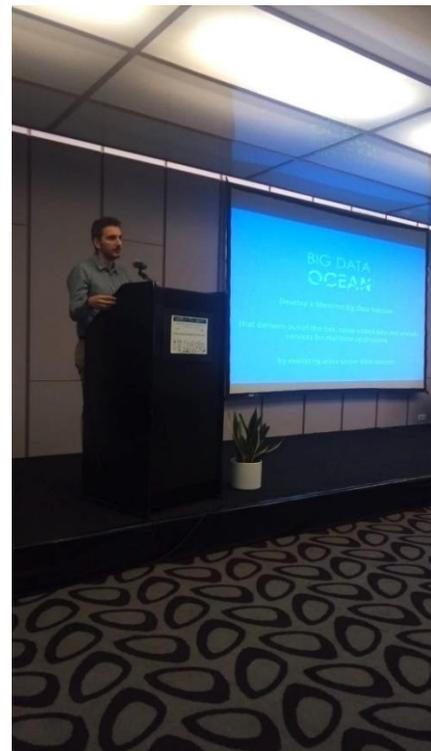


Figure 4: Presentations of the BigDataOcean project at the European Maritime Day⁴ (left) and at the IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018 – Data driven industry session (right).

⁴ <https://twitter.com/EuroGOOS/status/1129027801821138945>

The dissemination mechanism “Participation to conferences and workshops” was mainly focused on the engagement and acquisition of Maritime and Energy industries related users, future customers and other stakeholders. Table 2-3 describes the 29 dissemination events attended during the second reporting period. Presentations about the project took place in 19 of them (two of the are illustrated in Figure 4). Regarding the target audience, it is not always possible to isolate a single set of stakeholders attending an event, hence frequently more than one is indicated, and Table 2-3 highlights (shadowed rows) that the **majority of these events were related with the Maritime and Energy Industries**. In fact, as illustrated in Figure 5, more than 2/3 (about 70%) of the events (29 in total) had attendants coming from the maritime and energy related communities, the main BigDataOcean stakeholders. If to these events we added the ones locally organised at partner’s premises already reported in section 2.1, the ration would improve further.

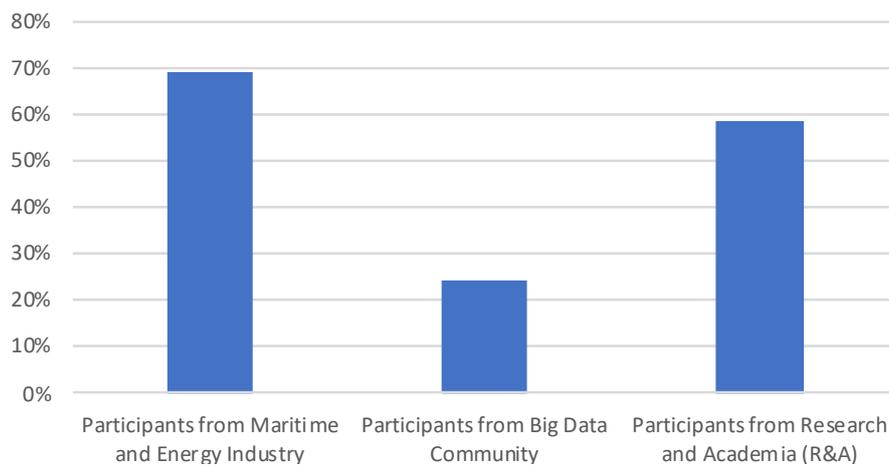
Table 2-3: Dissemination events associated to mechanism “Participation to conferences and workshops”

| Name | Date | Location | Type | Target Audience | Involved Partners | Project Presentation |
|--|---------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Maritime Big Data Workshop | 05/2018 | La Spezia, Italy | Workshop | Maritime Industry, R&A | EXMILE | YES |
| BDVA PPP Meetup | 05/2018 | Sofia, Bulgaria | Forum | Big Data Community | LINKS | NO |
| BDVA AG27 | 06/2018 | Brussels, Belgium | Forum | Big Data Community | LINKS | NO |
| European Conference on Semantic Web | 06/2018 | Crete, Greece | Conference | R&A | UBONN | YES |
| Posidonia 2018 | 06/2018 | Athens, Greece | Exhibition | Maritime Industry | NTUA, EXMILE, HCMR, UBITECH | YES |
| SEST 2018 | 09/2018 | Seville, Spain | Conference | R&A and Energy Industry | NESTER | YES |
| Ocean Business 2018 | 09/2018 | Lisbon, Portugal | Exhibition | Maritime Industry | NESTER, UNINOVA | NO |
| SMM Hamburg | 09/2018 | Hamburg, Germany | Trade fair | Maritime Industry | EXMILE | NO |
| BDVA AG28 | 09/2018 | Brussels, Belgium | Forum | Big Data Community | LINKS | NO |
| IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018 – data driven industry session | 09/2018 | Madeira, Portugal | Conference + BDO Exhibition | R&A, Big Data Community, and local Maritime Industry | UNINOVA, NTUA | YES |
| EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 conference | 09/2018 | Krems, Austria | Conference | Big Data Community, R&A and Industry in General | NTUA | YES |
| Business2Sea 2018 | 11/2018 | Porto, | Exhibition | Maritime | NESTER | NO |

| Name | Date | Location | Type | Target Audience | Involved Partners | Project Presentation |
|---|---------|----------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| | | Portugal | | Industry | | |
| EBDVF18 | 11/2018 | Vienna, Austria | Forum | Big Data Community, R&A | LINKS | YES |
| 2018 IEEE OES Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Symposium | 11/2018 | Porto, Portugal | Symposium | Maritime, Industry, R&A | EXMILE | YES |
| UBICOMM | 11/2018 | Athens, Greece | Conference | R&A | NTUA, EXMILE | YES |
| 1st European Ocean Observing System Stakeholder Conference (EOOS event organised by the EMODnet, European Marine Board and EuroGOOS Secretariats in close collaboration with wider stakeholder community) | 11/2018 | Brussels, Belgium | Conference | Maritime, Industry and Standardisation Community | HCMR | NO |
| Annual Meeting of Marine Technology 2018 | 12/2018 | Athens, Greece | Forum | Maritime, Industry and R&A | EXMILE | YES |
| ICT 2018: Imagine Digital - Connect Europe | 12/2018 | Vienna, Austria | Exhibition | R&A and Industry in General | NTUA, EXMILE, HCMR, LINKS, UBITECH | NO |
| MonGOOS Annual meeting | 12/2018 | Genoa, Italy | Conference | Maritime, Industry, R&A | HCMR | YES |
| Jerico Next, Steering Committee meeting | 02/2019 | Helsinki, Finland | Meeting | Maritime, Industry, R&A | HCMR | YES |
| BDVA AG31 | 02/2019 | Brussels, Belgium | Forum | Big Data Community | LINKS | NO |
| Copernicus In-Situ TAC General Assembly meeting | 03/2019 | Brest, France | Meeting | Maritime, Industry, R&A | HCMR | YES |
| COMPIT'19 | 03/2019 | Tullamore, Ireland | Conference | Maritime, Industry, R&A | EXMILE | YES |
| European Maritime Day 2019 | 05/2019 | Lisbon, Portugal | Exhibition | Maritime Industry | NESTER, UNINOVA | YES |
| Gradana Second School | 05/2019 | Thessaloniki, Greece | School | R&A | UBONN | YES |
| DoCEIS19 | 05/2019 | Lisbon, Portugal | Conference | R&A | NESTER, UNINOVA | YES |
| NITEC'19 | 05/2019 | OSLO, | Conference and | Maritime | EXMILE | NO |

| Name | Date | Location | Type | Target Audience | Involved Partners | Project Presentation |
|---------------------------|---------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | | NORWAY | Exhibition | Industry | | |
| IEEE OCEANS 2019 | 06/2019 | Marseille, France | Conference / Exhibition | Maritime, Industry, R&A | EXMILE | YES |
| 2 nd HIMIOFOTS | 06/2019 | Athens, Greece | Meeting | Maritime, Industry, R&A | HCMR | YES |

Events Audience



Participants from Maritime and Energy Industry

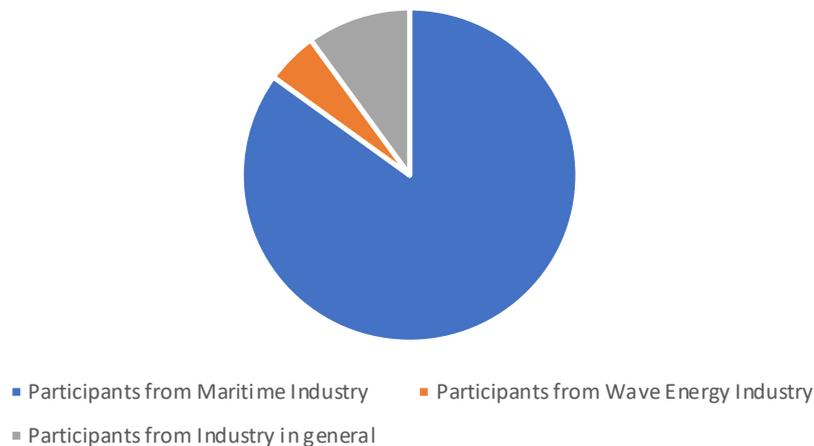


Figure 5: Analysis of Attended (External) Events

Under the context of the reported dissemination events and again with a major emphasis on the maritime industrial community, six project booths were also carried out in:

- Posidonia 2018⁵,
- IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018⁶,

⁵ <http://posidonia-events.com/landing/posidonia-2018/>

- 12th Annual Meeting of the Marine Technology⁷,
- ICT 2018⁸,
- European Maritime Day 2019⁹, and
- NITEC'19¹⁰.

In Posidonia 2018 (Figure 6), EXMILE (MarineTraffic) presented the BigDataOcean project at the exhibition, which took place at the Metropolitan Expo in Athens, Greece, in June 2018. More specifically, two presentations took place at the booth of MarineTraffic as part of BigDataOcean project. The first presentation, a joint effort from NTUA and UBITECH, showcased the fault prediction and proactive maintenance pilot progress. The second presentation, run by EXMILE, pertained to the use of Big Data for the detection of abnormal vessel behaviour, specifically in the context of the BigDataOcean project.

In IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018, the BigDataOcean project was presented (**Σφάλμα! Το αρχείο προέλευσης της αναφοράς δεν βρέθηκε.**) and a booth carried out (Figure 7) on a joint activity with the EU funded project Boost 4.0. Several Maritime Industry related local authorities were present and got to know about the project. These local authorities then invited BigDataOcean partners to visit Madeira port and discuss about the future use of the BigDataOcean platform in their operation.



Figure 6: BigDataOcean presence at Posidonia 2018

⁶ <http://gris.uninova.pt/news/ieee-international-conference-intelligent-systems-2018>

⁷ <http://www.elintconference.gr/2018/index.html>

⁸ <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/events/ict-2018-imagine-digital-connect-europe>

⁹ <https://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/maritimeday/en>

¹⁰ <https://nitec19.com/>



Figure 7: BigDataOcean booth at IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018

The 12th Annual Meeting of the Marine Technology (Figure 8), organised from Hellenic Institute of Marine Technology, attracted more than 500 maritime professionals and gave BigDataOcean the opportunity to boost the project's reach. EXMILE had the opportunity to explain how the project aims to cover the gap between shipping operations and digital transformation and answer key questions for the shipping industry at the BigDataOcean booth.



Figure 8: BigDataOcean booth at the 12th Annual Meeting of Marine Technology

In ICT 18 (Figure 9), which is a huge research and innovation event focused on the European Union's priorities in the digital transformation of society and industry that attracts more than 6,000 visitors from around the world, BigDataOcean project organised a project exhibition booth on 4-6 December

2018. The BigDataOcean consortium members had the opportunity to meet with several hundreds of visitors at the project's exhibition booth. The consortium members had the chance to highlight the challenges and the objectives of the project, give a brief description of its key achievements and explain how the platform will assist maritime stakeholders to perform Big Data Analytics. Discussions were about the project's platform and its services and the project's offerings were received with high interest from the booth's visitors, which were further engaged to evaluate the platform and provide useful feedback to the consortium. Additionally, the exhibition booth enabled BigDataOcean to reinforce the synergies with other projects active in the digital transformation of the mobility domain. During the 1st day of the event Dr. Spiros Mouzakis had the chance to promote the platform and its offered services in a short radio interview with The Austrian Broadcasting Corporation (ORF). A twitter video¹¹ from EU Data Economy enabled BigDataOcean to promote project's potentials to address key questions of the maritime industry such as how data can be used to enhance maritime security and detect threats at sea, or how can we reduce the oil spill impact to the environment. A total number of 31 organisations (maritime companies, data centres, universities, software houses) were engaged and had a chance to see a demo of the BigDataocean platform and the pilot applications. The participants registered to the platform as well the project newsletter in order to trial the next version of the platform and the pilot applications.



Figure 9: BigDataOcean booth in ICT 18 event

In the European Maritime Day, apart from the presentation carried out (**Σφάλμα! Το αρχείο προέλευσης της αναφοράς δεν βρέθηκε.**), the BigDataOcean project also offered a booth (Figure 10) where several participants demonstrated interest not only in the four developed pilots but also on the platform in general as a Big Data enabling technology to be explored by other entities. More specifically, some participants from the Maritime Industry enquired about the possibility of using the BigDataOcean platform as a service provider based on data owned by the respective entities,

¹¹ https://twitter.com/Dataeconomy_EU/status/1070260314913021952?s=19

following a similar approach to the one supporting Pilot 3. Several contacts were exchanged, and conversations are still in progress. Additionally, evaluations of the BigDataOcean platform by external users were carried.



Figure 10: BigDataOcean booth at the European Maritime Day

In NITEC'19 (Figure 11), EXMILE was awarded for the Maritime Security and Anomaly Detection services (i.e., Pilot 3 services) during NATO's Defence Innovation Challenge. Additionally, a BigDataOcean project booth took place at this event. This gave BigDataOcean consortium members the chance to meet NATO executives and other industry leaders in the national security domain, increasing our networking with maritime industry and sharing our thoughts on hot topics including the detection of dark targets and identification of illegal transshipments. Feedback from attendees confirmed there was interest in data fusion and anomaly detection.

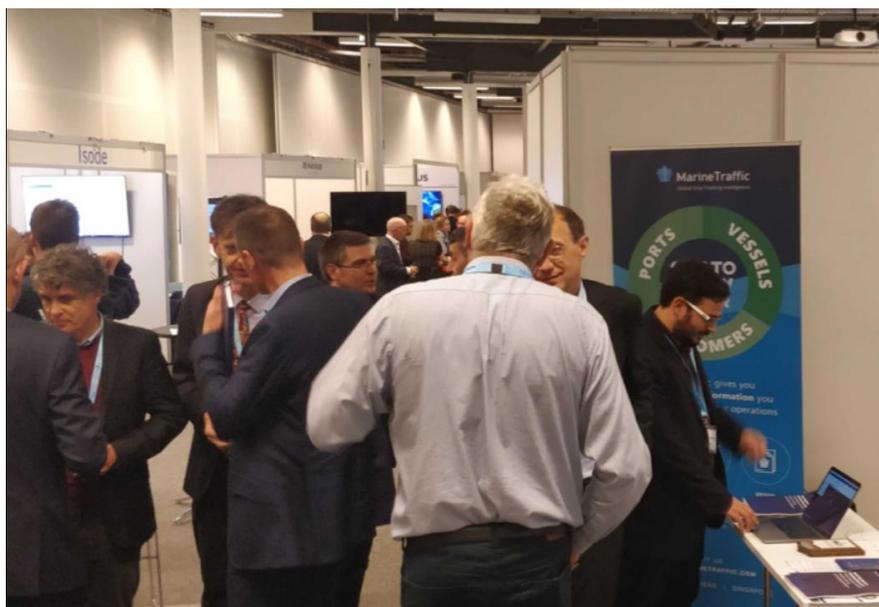


Figure 11: BigDataOcean booth in NITEC'19

2.3 Publications

During the second reporting period, 33 publications were achieved. These publications can be clustered in "Articles in Trade Press" (16), "Journal Papers" (4) and "Conference Papers" (13) and are presented in the following lists.

Articles in trade press – answering to a direct recommendation of the first review report to reach more industrial community. Under this category, BigDataOcean counts full articles and smaller post informing about the project or project activities.

- 1 article at ANEKORAMA
- 1 article at Renovaveis Magazine
- 1 article at Safety at Sea magazine
- 2 posts at MarineTraffic Blog
- 1 post in Economia.gr (October-November 2018 issue)
- 1 post announcement in Elnavi (June 2018 issue)
- 1 post Liberty Press (website)
- 1 post <http://www.elintconference.gr/> (website)
- 1 post in Maritimes.gr (website)
- 1 post announcement in Naftemporiki (June 2018)
- 1 post announcement in Newsfront, New Building Report (October 2018 issue)
- 1 post announcement in Nautical Chronicles (August-September issue) + post in their website
- 1 post in Piraeus365 (website)
- 1 article in Efoplistis¹²
- 1 article in World Maritime News (website)¹³

Journal papers

- Spiliopoulos, G., Vodas, M., Zissis, M., Chatzikokolakis, K. (2019). ROTA: A big data knowledge discovery pipeline for defining "roads of the sea". In IEEE Transactions on Big Data (*under review*).
- Chatzikokolakis K., Zissis, D., Spiliopoulos, G., Tserpes, K. (2019). A comparison of supervised learning schemes for the detection of Search and Rescue (SAR) vessel patterns. In Springer GeoInformatica (*published*)
- Kontopoulos, I., Chatzikokolakis, K., Zissis, D., Tserpes, K., Spiliopoulos, G. (2019). Real-time Maritime Anomaly Detection: Detecting intentional AIS switch-off. In International Journal of Big Data Intelligence. (accepted, under revision).
- Mannarini G., Carelli L., Zissis D., Spiliopoulos G., Chatzikokolakis K.: Preliminary Inter-comparison of AIS Data and Optimal Ship Tracks. TransNav, the International Journal on Marine Navigation and Safety of Sea Transportation, Vol. 13, No. 1, doi:10.12716/1001.13.01.04, pp. 53-61, 2019

¹² The article has been submitted and the approval for publication is pending

¹³ The article has been submitted and the approval for publication is pending

Conference papers

- Chatzikokolakis, K., Zissis, D., Vodas, M., Spiliopoulos, G., Kontopoulos, I. (2019). A distributed lightning fast maritime anomalydetection service. In 2019 IEEE OCEANS.
- Chatzikokolakis, K., Zissis, D., Spiliopoulos, G., Tserpes, K. (2018). Mining Vessel Trajectory Data for Patterns of Search and Rescue. In EDBT/ICDT Workshops (pp. 117-124).
- Kontopoulos, I., Spiliopoulos, G., Zissis, D., Chatzikokolakis, K., Artikis, A. (2018, August). Countering Real-Time Stream Poisoning: An architecture for detecting vessel spoofing in streams of AIS data. In 2018 IEEE 16th Intl Conf on Dependable, Autonomic and Secure Computing, 16th Intl Conf on Pervasive Intelligence and Computing, 4th Intl Conf on Big Data Intelligence and Computing and Cyber Science and Technology Congress (DASC/PiCom/DataCom/CyberSciTech) (pp. 981-986). IEEE.
- Chatzikokolakis, K., Zissis, D., Spiliopoulos, G. (2018). Vessel Profile Indicators using Fuzzy Logic Reasoning and AIS. In International Conference on Mobile Ubiquitous Computing, Systems, Services and Technologies, UBICOMM.
- Xidias, E., Zissis, D., (2018). Real Time Autonomous Maritime Navigation using Dynamic Visibility Graphs. In IEEE OES Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Symposium.
- Chatzikokolakis, K., Zissis, D., Vodas, M., Tsapelas, G., Mouzakitis, S., Kokkinakos, P., Askounis, D. (2019). BigDataOcean Project: Early anomaly detection from big maritime vessel traffic data. In 18th Conference on Computer Applications and Information Technology in the Maritime Industries, COMPIT'19.
- Mannarini, G., Carelli, L., Zissis, D., Spiliopoulos, G., Chatzikokolakis, K. (2019). Preliminary inter-comparison of AIS data and optimal ship tracks. In 13th International Conference on Marine Navigation and Safety of Sea Transportation, TransNav 2019. (*to appear*)
- Ducruet, C., Berli, J., Zissis, D., Spiliopoulos, G. (2019). An AIS data analysis to study the European maritime network connectivity and spatial distribution. In 27th Annual Conference of the International Association of Maritime Economists (IAME). (*to appear*)
- N. Amaro, R. A. Lopes, J. M. Pina, C. Agostinho, F. Abreu, and D. Torrado, "A Methodology for Assessing the Impact of the Interannual Variability of Wave Energy Resource on Electrical Energy Conversion," in 2018 International Conference on Smart Energy Systems and Technologies (SEST), 2018, pp. 1–6. DOI: 10.1109/SEST.2018.8495676
- Kokkinakos, Panagiotis, Spiros Mouzakitis, and Esther Garrido. "Transforming Decision and Policy-Making through Big Data." *EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018* (2018): 327.
- Tsapelas G., Mouzakitis S., Kokkinakos P., Michalitsi A., Skalidakis S., Askounis D., Miltiadou D., Pitsios S. and Perakis K., Enabling collaborative, data-driven intelligence for the Maritime Sector, 12th Int. Conf. on Mobile Ubiquitous Computing, Systems, Services and Technologies, UBICOMM 2018, November 2018, Athens, Greece
- H Jabeen, N Tahara, J Lehmann. "EvoChef: Show Me What to Cook! Artificial Evolution of Culinary Arts". International Conference on Computational Intelligence in Music, Sound, Art (2019)
- H Jabeen, R Dadwal, G Sejdiu, J Lehmann. "Divided we stand out! forging cohorts for numeric outlier detection in large scale knowledge graphs (conod)". European Knowledge Acquisition Workshop, 534-548 (2018)

2.4 Community building / Engagement with stakeholders

The dissemination mechanism addressed in this section is in fact related with all the remaining mechanisms and can be seen as an output of the entire dissemination strategy. Taking this into consideration, at least, 250 industry contact points were developed from several industries contacted and informed about the project. As a result, during the second reporting period, at least, 30 industry

communities were informed about the BigDataOcean project and are following the project's social media (e.g. Twitter):

- Portuguese Port Authorities Association (see Figure 12);
- The Mediterranean Operational Network for the Global Ocean Observing System (MONGOOS);
- The Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service In Situ Thematic Assembly Centre (CMEMS IN-SITU TAC);
- The Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service Mediterranean - Monitoring Forecasting Centre (CMEMS MED MFC);
- The Hellenic Integrated Marine Inland water Observing, Forecasting and offshore Technology System (HIMIOFOTS);
- European Global Ocean Observing System (EuroGOOS);
- European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet);
- European Marine Board;
- European Network of Transmission System Operators
- Big Data Value Association (BDVA);
- Big Data Europe;
- Big Policy Canvas project community;
- EIT Digital;
- Alliance for Internet of Things Innovation;
- World Port Hackathon community;
- Assistance Mechanism for the Atlantic Action Plan;
- Union of Greek Shipowners and Greek shipping community
- Hellenic Shortsea Shipowners Association
- Public Sector Innovation
- OpenTransportNet (OTN) community
- Smart Cities and Urban Mobility communities
- W3C Big Data Community Group
- W3C Algorithmic Modelling Community Group
- W3C Open knowledge-driven service-oriented system architectures and APIs (KiSS) Community Group
- NATO Communication and information agency
- Research Data Alliance
- Hellenic Institute of Marine Technology
- European Shippers' Council
- Marine Technology Society
- IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society
- RINA - Marine Classification Society
- DNV-GL - Marine Classification Society



Figure 12: Engagement with the president of the Administration of Madeira Region Ports and member of the Portuguese Port Authorities Association, following the BigDataOcean presence and booth at IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018.

This dissemination mechanism also comprises five webinars executed during the project. See in Figure 13 the announcement published by the Big Data Value Association for the webinar about the BigDataOcean platform in general, that took place on 04/06/2019. These five webinars (one for the platform in general and one for each pilot) were used to collect valuable feedback and evaluations and to increase engagement with users, future customers and other stakeholders, as it was the case of Pilot 2 webinar (Figure 14) with the participation of representatives from Environmental Protection Engineering S.A. and Hellenic Petroleum. In this webinar HCMR presented the service to the participants, explained the features of the implemented applications and how they could be used for the benefit of their companies e.g. supporting their emergency response activities in case of oil spill accidents. The users expressed their comments and questions, while they were also trained in the use of the service at each case scenario. The pilot webinars occurred on May (Pilot 1 and Pilot 3) and Jun (Pilot 2 and Pilot 4) 2019.

- Track & Know¹⁷: Co-organisation of workshop (BMDA 2019).
- datAcron¹⁸: Co-organisation of workshop (BMDA 2019).
- AtlantOS: Joint publication between members of BDO and AtlantOS consortia.
- BigPolicyCanvas¹⁹: Joint workshop on "Decision and Policy Making Through Big Data" (part of the EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 conference²⁰).
- AEGIS²¹: Joint workshop on "Decision and Policy Making Through Big Data" (part of the EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 conference).
- BOOST4.0²² (booth at IEEE Intelligent Systems 2018)
- Smart4Health²³ (Joint activity to launch the new "Hub for Digital Engineering" that was visited by the Portuguese and Dutch Prime Ministers on 03/04/2019 – see Figure 15)



Figure 15: Synergy with other projects that promoted the visit of the Portuguese and Dutch prime ministers²⁴

As illustrated, one of these synergies that we are most proud, resulted that together with the Smart4Health and the projects composing the new DIH "Hub for Digital Engineering" at UNINOVA,

¹⁵ <http://www.master-project-h2020.eu/>

¹⁶ <http://www.datastories.org/bmda19/>

¹⁷ <https://trackandknowproject.eu/>

¹⁸ <http://www.datacron-project.eu/>

¹⁹ <https://www.bigpolicycanvas.eu/>

²⁰ <http://depts.washington.edu/eqcdep18/#/>

²¹ <http://www.aegis-bigdata.eu/>

²² <https://boost40.eu/>

²³ <https://www.smart4health.eu/>

²⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/bigdataocean/photos/a.1888597064758378/2368418506776229/?type=3&theater>

we managed to introduce in the Dutch and Portuguese Prime Ministers agendas, Mark Rutte and Antonio Costa, a small slot about BigDataOcean.

2.6 Internal dissemination in partner's networks

In order to disseminate the project results in the partner's contact networks, 15 internal (inner-company) events were carried out. These events had the objective to disseminate and explain the project and its achievements internally, organising small debates, demonstration activities and training where appropriate so that user could work with the BigDataOcean Platform. This was done in the context of all 4 pilots where all the functionalities of the developed services were presented to partner's organisations and respective contact networks (see, for instance the internal event organised by HCMR for Pilot 2 - Figure 16). In addition, two events have been carried by UBONN for students where the BigDataOcean platform was presented (i.e. Computer Science Conference for University of Bonn Students in 2018 and 2019 at Bonn, Germany).



Figure 16: Internal Event associated to Pilot 2

As part of this dissemination mechanism is the promotion of the project in the different websites. At least 15 different links to the project's website can be reported:

- avin.gr
- anek.gr
- ubitech.eu
- emodnet.eu
- marinetraffic.com
- rdnester.org
- uni-bonn.de
- sansa-stack.net
- sda.tech
- big-data-europe.eu
- bdva.eu

- ren.pt
- uninova.pt
- bigpolicycanvas.eu
- ntua.gr

2.7 Standardisation contributions

This dissemination mechanism concerns the opportunity of aligning BigDataOcean activities with the ones of the standardisation bodies, aiming to observe, discuss and even influence emerging standards. Through its partners, BigDataOcean has been regularly represented and in close contact with a number of working groups from different Standards Development Organizations (e.g. ISO, UN/CEFACT), as well as Industry and Community Consortia (e.g. W3C, EOOS). Some examples include²⁵:

- United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT) expert working groups (data models, standards, implementation recommendations in transport and logistics and supply chains etc). Meetings and events from this group are open only to authorised or invited officials from member states and EXMILE (MarineTraffic) is a regular participant that, with the BigDataOcean support, is contributing to the discussion on standardised data formats and communication protocols, required for streamlining the information's flow, reducing friction and ensuring efficient exchange of maritime data between all stakeholders, users and systems.
- The Port Call Optimisation Task Force, which brings together key stakeholders from maritime and logistics sector and the International Harbour Masters' Association, United Kingdom Hydrographic Office and GS1, so as to bring standards from the nautical and logistics sectors together ensuring that the nautical data on board of vessels correspond to the information from the port, as well as the information used in the logistics chains. EXMILE (MarineTraffic) is a participant to this task force, taking the feedback received from the participation in the BigDataOcean piloting activities.
- The International Maritime Organization (IMO) supported Global Industry Alliance (GIA). This group is undertaking a number of information exchange and standardisation activities to which EXMILE is participating and contributing to harmonise marine information on board and ashore by electronic means. The problematic of big data has been raised and discussed with other organisations in IMO.
- W3C Big Data Community Group, where NTUA, is an active member and participant. This group explores emerging big data pipelines and discusses the potential for developing standard architectures, Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), and languages that will improve interoperability, enable security, and lower the overall cost of big data solutions. NTUA has brought the experience and knowledge from this group into the BigDataOcean project.
- W3C KISS (Knowledge-driven Service-Oriented System Architectures and APIS) Community Group that is created for sharing, elaborating and evolving knowledge-driven approaches for

²⁵ Only official organisations are listed.

system integration. BigDataOcean is a clear case study for this group, and NTUA has been promoting it through its regular participation in the group's activities.

- ISO/TC184/SC4 Industrial Data, where UNINOVA is an observatory member designated to represent Portugal, and is part of the Policy and planning committee, a working group responsible for counseling and planning the future activities of SC4. Naturally big data, especially in the shipbuilding sector is a concern and has been discussed.
- European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet), that consists of more than 150 organisations assembling marine data, products and metadata to make these fragmented resources more available to public and private users relying on quality-assured, standardised and harmonised marine data which are interoperable and free of restrictions on use. Participation in the first European Ocean Observing System Stakeholder Conference (Brussels, 21-23 November 2018). This EOOS event was organised by the EMODnet standards community (European Marine Board and EuroGOOS Secretariats in close collaboration with wider stakeholder community and with financial support from the European Commission).

These 6 examples meet the envisaged performance indicator ("Number of working groups" - 2) for the period. To note that, unfortunately, and despite BigDataOcean's team commitment already reported in deliverable D8.3, the CEN working group established to address standardisation in big data "CEN Workshop on Big Data"²⁶ has not progressed as expected due to the lack of support of the different communities originally engaged, e.g. Aquaculture.

Concerning the second performance indicator related with standardisation, i.e., the "Number of project's presentations in standardisation meetings (online or offline)", the approach taken following the CEN experience was to engage secondary standardisation-related groups. Taking projects' results directly to standardisation communities such as CEN and ISO need the support from the right standardisation actors, and despite the BigDataOcean participation via the project partners (as mentioned before), these communities have an agenda and pace of their own. Hence, to empower our presence and contribution, some of the formal presentations about BigDataOcean technologies and achievements have been directed to these secondary groups that have the mission to liaise and endeavour standardisation efforts. Below is a list of the groups to which formal presentations BigDataOcean have been given:

- Remote (online) presentation to the W3C KISS working group, explaining BigDataOcean, its architecture and service-oriented solutions.
- Presentation in BDVA²⁷ about the used standards and technologies (BDVA TC in November 2018 in Vienna). This group has strong connections with ISO/IEC JTC 1 WG9, on Big Data.
- Presentation of the BigDataOcean project and its interoperability problems made to the standardisation committee of the Interop-VLab network (Interop VLab General Assembly, 2018). This group has the goal to follow-up the progress of standards in Enterprise Interoperability and promote the work developed in projects of the associated members to upcoming standards. This group has strong relations with ISO TC184/SC5, on interoperability.

²⁶ <https://www.cen.eu/News/Workshops/Pages/WS-2016-14.aspx>

²⁷ Task Force 6: Technical - TF6.SG6 Standardisation BigDataOcean

- Presentation of the BigDataOcean final results to the standardisation committee of the Interop-VLab network during the Interop VLab General Assembly, 2019 (see Figure 17). The presentation emphasised the architecture developed to handle big data and the strategies implemented to accommodate interoperability with other available systems and data repositories.
- Presentation of the BigDataOcean technologies and standards at the BDV PPP Summit and the 6th Technical Committee Meeting on the 26th of June in Riga.

In total BigDataOcean partners participate regularly to 7 working groups from official standardisation organisations and have engaged those or other standardisation related groups for 5 BigDataOcean presentations.



Figure 17: BigDataOcean presentation at Interop VLab General Assembly, 2019

3 Communication Activities

The second reporting period of the BigDataOcean project (i.e. M16-M30) expands to the last two phases of the communication plan set by the consortium members. More specifically, as illustrated also in Figure 18 (included in the Description of the Action annex to the contract), it covers the last nine months of Phase II: "Diffuse Knowledge" and Phase III: "Communication Culmination".

| BigDataOcean Phases Communication Mechanisms | Phase I: Raise Awareness (M1-M12) <i>Comm. Obj. I, II, III, V</i> | Phase II: Diffuse Knowledge (M13-M24) <i>Comm. Obj. I, II, III, V</i> | Phase III: Communication Culmination (M25-M30) <i>Comm. Obj. I, II, III, IV, V, VI</i> |
|---|--|--|---|
| (C1) Project's Website | C1.I) Design & Development of an intuitive and responsive project's web site; Search engine optimization | C1.II) Regular update of the website content; Watch website's analytics to measure impact and provide content of interest | C1.III) Regular update of the website content; Clear visibility of results, demo / application material in an interactive way |
| (C2) Social Media Presence | C2.I) Establishment of presence in:  Reproduce relevant content and monitor relevant hashtags; Upload public material; Follow influencers of the domain; Engage with other projects and initiatives | C2.II) Promote project's outcomes and events; Interact with followers to get feedback; Answer on comments and private messages on the various channels; Upload public material; Reproduce relevant content and monitor relevant hashtags | C2.III) Promote project's outcomes and events; Interact with followers to get feedback; Answer on comments and private messages on the various channels; Upload public material; Reproduce relevant content (more sporadically) |
| (C3) Project's Blog | C3.I) Deploy project's blog; Provide blog posts related to project's positioning & technologies | C3.II) Provide frequent blog posts to initiate discussions on specific issues relevant to the project to receive feedback | C3.III) Publish frequent blog posts to demonstrate and promote project's results |
| (C4) Traditional Media | C4.I) Press release to announce the project's launch | C4.II) Press releases to announce the significant events / results | C4.III) Press releases to promote the business case of the project's results |
| (C5) Communication Material | C5.I) Design logo and project identity; Prepare project factsheet, brochure, banner, e-Newsletter and promo video | C5.II) Prepare revised brochure, banner and frequent releases of e-Newsletter; Publish blogs / news in EU instruments (e.g. Cordis News, research*eu magazines etc.) | C5.III) Prepare final brochure, banner, frequent releases of e-Newsletter and video demonstrators; Publish blogs / news in EU dissemination instruments |

Figure 18: BigDataOcean Communication strategy (from DoA)

For each phase, the BigDataOcean communication strategy is implemented through a set of communication mechanisms aiming to meet the corresponding communication objectives for that phase. The communication objectives of BigDataOcean are the following:

- I. Create awareness of the project among the full range of potential adopters / users in the general public;
- II. Provide a clear view of the project's concept, goals and results by formulating adapted key messages, and preparing communication material;
- III. Create an active community of potential users and collect feedback to be taken into account by the project's activities;
- IV. Prepare the ground for the exploitation of project's results;
- V. Support targeted dissemination of the project's results; and
- VI. Foster the wide adoption of the project's results in industry and society.

In the following subsections, the results of the communication activities during the second period are reported.

The communication results of the project are broken down to the project's communication mechanisms described in each of the following subsections, together with the actions taken by the project partners. Table 3-1 lists all the communication measurements determined for the second reporting period, the success criterion and the actual status. It can be verified that BigDataOcean has

shown an exceptional track for most of the measured activities, it **substantially increased communication activities throughout the second period and covered most targets for the second period but also some pending activities from the 1st period.**

Table 3-1: Communication monitoring and evaluation measurements for the second period

| Dissemination Mechanism | Related KPIs | Target M16-M30 | Achieved M16-M30 | Achieved M1-M30 |
|------------------------------------|---|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| C1 "Project's Website" | Number of unique visitors | 3 293 | 3 344 | 6051 |
| | Average duration of visits (min) | 2 | 2:42 | 2:28 |
| | Number of page views | 11 785 | 13 427 | 25 212 |
| C2 "Social media presence" | Number of accumulative followers in social media channels | 824 | 255 | 431 |
| | Number of accumulative posts | 942 | 101 | 159 |
| | Number of interactions in social media | 208 | 1 099 | 1 391 |
| C3 "Website Content" | Number of sections dedicated to pilots | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of blog-posts in website | 40 | 42 | 62 |
| | Number of interactions | 109 | 143 | 234 |
| C4 "Traditional media" | Number of press releases | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| C5 "Communication material" | Number of project's factsheets/ brochures and banners | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| | Number of pilot specific posters and flyers | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| | Number of e-Newsletter | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| | Number of videos | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| | Number of blog posts in EC mechanisms | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| | Number of e-Newsletter registered users | 200 | 298 | 350 |
| | Number of times videos watched | 100 | 329 | 329 ²⁸ |
| | Number of views per blog post | 100 | 142 | 142 ²⁹ |

3.1 Project's website

The project's website has been set up and running since the first month of the project. There BigDataOcean partners have listed general information about the project in home page, and in the about page, as well as updates related to the project's findings and the events where BigDataOcean partners participated (i.e. listed in news and events pages). Finally, the website offers to its visitors the capability to receive news relevant to the project and its piloting activities by registering to the

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project's newsletter. Through the participation and the organisation of workshops and conferences, BigDataOcean partners promoted the project activities and redirected interested stakeholders to the project's website. These actions resulted in increasing website's visibility and the next figures, produced through Google Analytics, show that BigDataOcean website has a global reach (see Figure 19) with more than 3300 unique visitors (see Figure 20), accessing ~13k pages in total (see Figure 21) with average session duration more than 2:30 minutes (see Figure 22).

Sessions

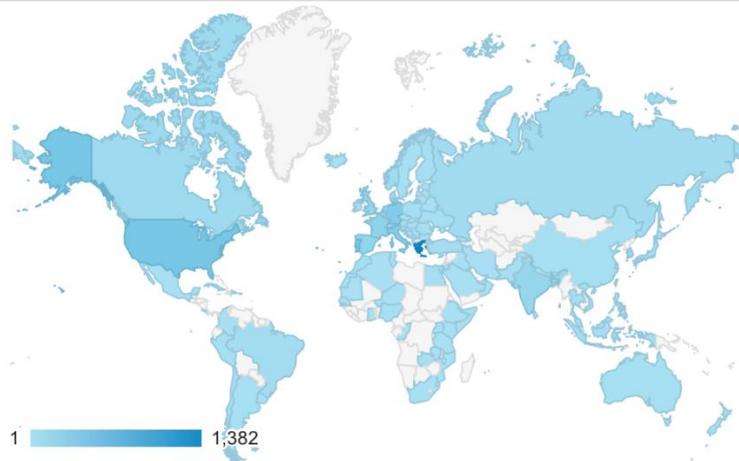


Figure 19: Session distribution per country

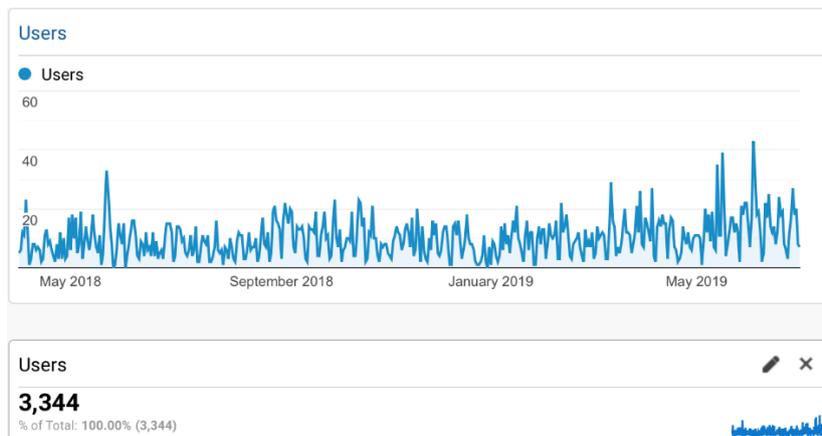


Figure 20: Visitors' distribution over time and total number of users

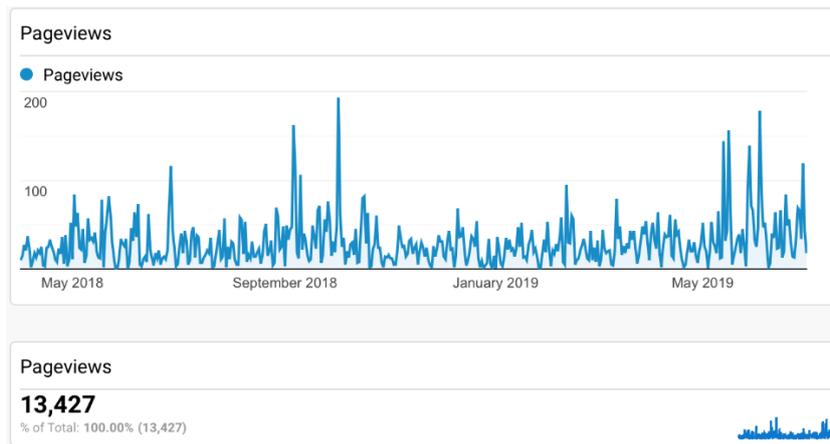


Figure 21: Page views distribution over time and total number of page views

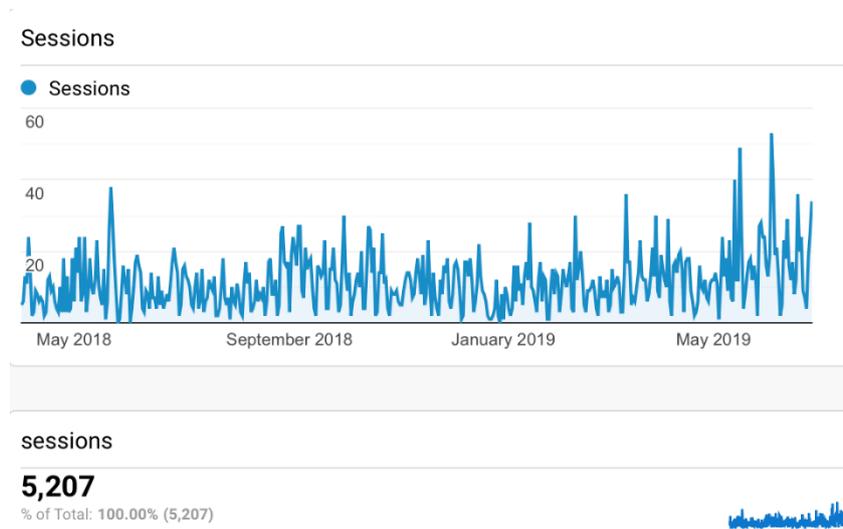


Figure 22: Sessions' distribution over time, total # of sessions and average duration

3.2 Social media presence

From its beginning, BigDataOcean has established a set of social media accounts to boost the visibility of the project and to maximise the communication means with the user communities that are relevant to the project's scope and its achievements.

Figure 23 shows the total reach, engaged users and new likes per week. The results show that users occasionally interact with BigDataOcean. In addition, a rapid increase has been observed in November 2018, when BigDataOcean participated in EBDVF'18. This demonstrates the interest of the BigData community in the technologies being developed. Similar trends are also observed in statistics extracted from the BigDataOcean Twitter account. Figure 24 highlights the tweets, likes and impressions capturing the reachability of BigDataOcean Twitter account to its followers per week since the beginning of the project.

Facebook Statistics

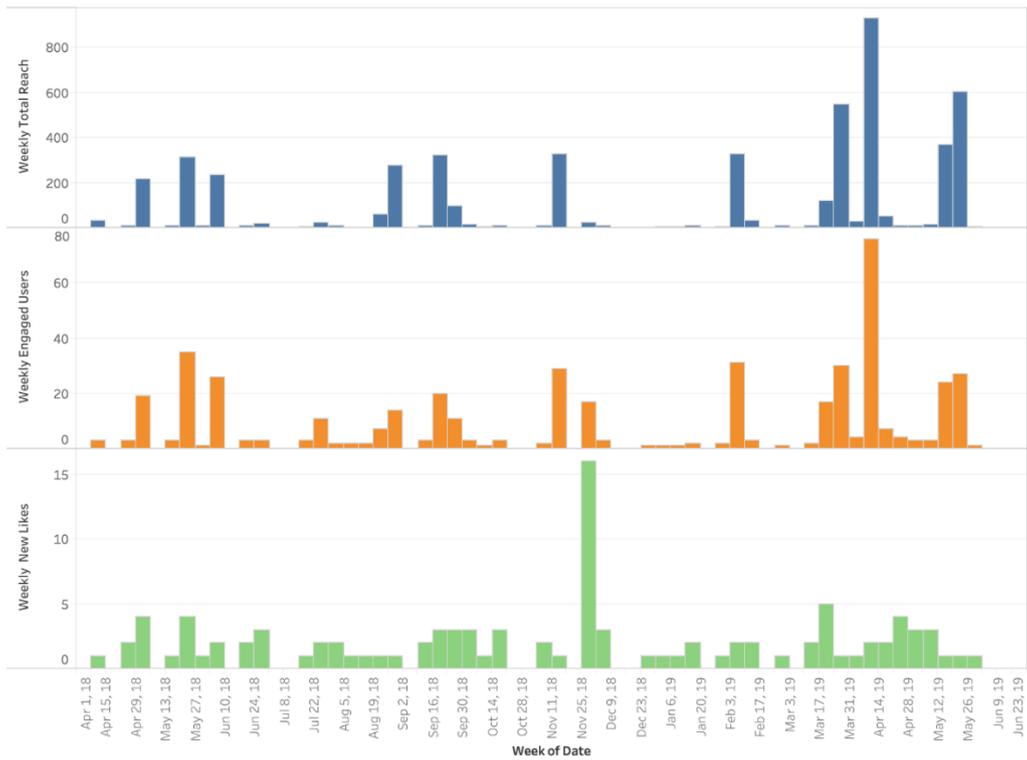


Figure 23: BigDataOcean Facebook page statistics

Twitter Statistics

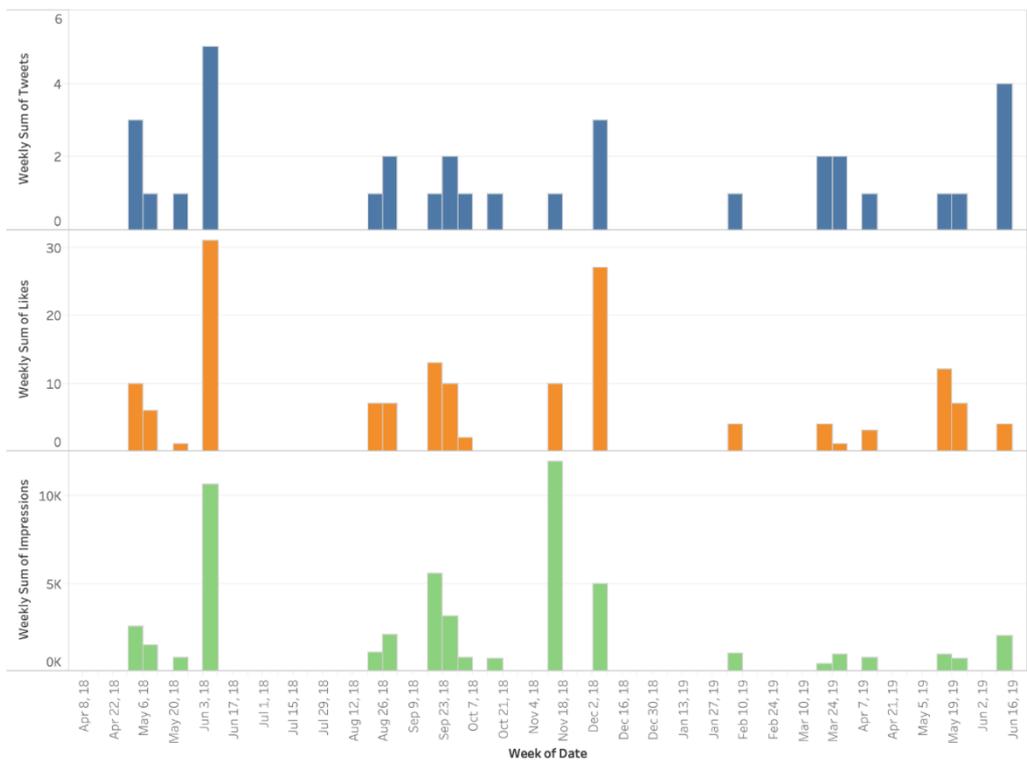


Figure 24: BigDataOcean Twitter account statistics

3.3 Project's blog

BigDataOcean website also includes two sections where news and events of the project are posted. Table 3-2 lists all the blog posts produced during the second period of the project.

Table 3-2: Blog posts of the second reporting period

| # | Blog post title | Type |
|----|--|--------|
| 1 | Final release of the Mare protection pilot application | News |
| 2 | BigDataOcean Ecosystem and Use Cases | News |
| 3 | BigDataOcean Wave Energy Pilot - Dissemination and Validation from External Users | News |
| 4 | Load Matching Analysis using BigDataOcean Wave Energy Services | News |
| 5 | Mare Protection Service Webinar and Training Session | News |
| 6 | Achieving 1103 Evaluations of the BigDataOcean Platform | News |
| 7 | More than 170 TB of data are available at the BigDataOcean platform | News |
| 8 | Using the BigDataOcean platform as a teaching tool | News |
| 9 | Three lessons learnt from BigDataOcean exploitation | News |
| 10 | BigDataOcean goes live! | News |
| 11 | BigDataOcean presented Anomaly Detection service at OCEANS 2019 | News |
| 12 | BigDataOcean participation at NITEC 19 | News |
| 13 | BigDataOcean Platform Final Release | News |
| 14 | BigDataOcean platform in now part of the BDV PPP Innovation Marketplace! | News |
| 15 | Getting started with BigDataOcean Platform! | News |
| 16 | Primary Resource Assessment in a Portuguese Offshore Renewables Pilot Zone | News |
| 17 | BigDataOcean platform use case: Assessing the impact of the variability of the resource in the electrical energy conversion | News |
| 18 | BigDataOcean platform use case: Assessment of wave resource in the coast of Portugal – Part 2 | News |
| 19 | BigDataOcean platform use case: Assessment of wave resource in the coast of Portugal | News |
| 20 | Fuel Consumption Reduction Investigation | News |
| 21 | BigDataOcean is presented at the 18th Conference on Computer Applications and Information Technology in the Maritime Industries (COMPIT '19) | Events |
| 22 | AtlantOS and BigDataOcean join forces and produce a comparative study of AIS tracks and VISIR ship routing model | News |
| 23 | Making the Leap from Lab to Market: the BigDataOcean Approach | News |

| # | Blog post title | Type |
|----|---|--------|
| 24 | A Methodology for Assessing the Impact of the Interannual Variability of Wave Energy Resource on Electrical Energy Conversion | News |
| 25 | The third release of the integrated BigDataOcean platform | News |
| 26 | Big Data Ocean platform was presented to MONGOOS workshop | News |
| 27 | BigDataOcean at the annual meeting of marine technology (H.I.M.T.) | News |
| 28 | BigDataOcean at ICT 2018 | News |
| 29 | BigDataOcean at European Big Data Value Forum | News |
| 30 | Fault Prediction and Predictive Maintenance Initial results | News |
| 31 | Transforming Decision and Policy Making Through Big Data: a EGOV-CeDEM-ePart 2018 Conference Workshop | Events |
| 32 | An approach towards fuel consumption reduction | News |
| 33 | Big Data Ocean Mid-term review | News |
| 34 | First Project Review Meeting and Next Actions in ANEK's social media | - |
| 35 | BigDataOcean at ESWC 2018 | Events |
| 36 | DEBS 2018 | News |
| 37 | BigDataOcean at Posidonia 2018 | Events |
| 38 | BigDataOcean was presented at the Maritime Big Data Workshop on the 9-10th of May in La Spezia, Italy | News |
| 39 | Platform Architecture Revisions and APIs | News |
| 40 | BigDataOcean platform first major release | News |
| 41 | BigDataOcean platform and design | News |
| 42 | BigDataOcean presence at BMDA 18 | News |

3.4 Traditional media and Communication Material

During the second period of the project, BigDataOcean partners have put significant effort to produce high quality printed material and therefore support the engagement and acquisition of Maritime and Energy industries related users, future costumers and other stakeholders. EXMILE designed a roll-up during M22 (i.e., October 2018) which included information relevant to the project's objective, its pilot services, the consortium, etc., as depicted in Figure 25. The rollup was printed in multiple copies so that BigDataOcean partners could attend more than one events running in parallel.



Figure 25: BigDataOcean rollout

Furthermore, the four pilot flyers produced in the first reporting period have been redesigned aiming to adjust communication to target audience (Maritime and Energy industries) and directly communicate benefits to the BigDataOcean users. The front page of each flyer is common for all pilots including general information about the project. The back page of each flyer is dedicated to the corresponding pilot service, including the pilot's main goal and description, together with the contact points. The content of the flyers is depicted in Figure 26. Furthermore, EXMILE prepared one poster during the last year of the project, see Figure 27, which was presented during the IEEE OCEANS 2019 event. The poster is related to Pilot 3 – Maritime Security and Anomaly Detection services. Finally, BigDataOcean partners have prepared a banner shown in Figure 28 below, which has been used in exhibition booths. The banner introduces the four pilots of the BDO platform.

Finally, the project has produced four videos, used to promote the BigDataOcean platform and its services to related stakeholders. The videos are available at the project's Youtube channel³⁰ and also shared in other platforms (e.g. BigDataOcean LinkedIn group and the Facebook page).

³⁰ <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSdjZHwPHA3m3bQCccvOdTg>

BIG DATA OCEAN

Exploiting Oceans of Data for Maritime Applications

BigDataOcean aims to enable maritime big data scenarios for EU-based companies, organisations and scientists, through multi-segment platforms that will combine data of different velocity, variety and volume under an interoperable, trusted and multilingual engine.

Pilot 1: Vessel Fault Detection, Predictive Maintenance and Fuel Consumption Reduction

GOAL: Damage and mechanical failures detection and predictive maintenance of vessel equipment. Investigation of the impact of the environmental conditions and the operational decisions taken on the vessel's fuel consumption.

DESCRIPTION: Nowadays, naval engineers and shipping companies try to constantly minimise fixed and operational costs, as well as their impact on the maritime and generic environment. Amongst the main reasons that tend to significantly increase costs, are unexpected damages and/or mechanical failures, as well as fuel consumption. Providing useful insights of the effect of such phenomena owners and/or operators can report high costs for faults and repairs / spare parts (especially when requested in as close to real time as possible), loss of earnings affecting financial viability due to lack of fuel consumption strategy, immobilisation of vessels and/or due to failure to comply with Service Level Agreements (SLAs), or even port state control (PSC) detention. Through this pilot, data from every available sensor will be collected and formulate a knowledge base that each owner and/or operator exploits towards the effort of being proactive rather than reactive and operationally efficient. These data, after being cleaned and integrated, will feed a complex prediction model for fault/damage/ failure prediction and a decision support tool for fuel consumption.

STAKEHOLDERS: Ship owners, Maritime Equipment Constructors

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Pilot 2: Mare Protection from oil spill pollution

GOAL: Provide to the end users oil spill drift forecasting and simulation services for the marine environment and enhance the efficiency in managing oil spill pollution risks.

DESCRIPTION: Marine pollution from oil spills is a serious threat to the coastal countries. Mare Protection Pilot provides a series of scenarios based on the POSSEDRON Oil Spill Model, offering essential information for the effective response and management of possible oil spill pollution incidents. Each test case scenario is addressed to various stakeholders groups demonstrating the extended capabilities of the pilot service. Forecasting simulations, enhanced with various cross-sectional marine data, is taking advantage of the variety and extended ocean data volume available in the BigDataOcean platform.

The service provides access to:

- Reports and visualised representation of the oil spill fate in the sea, driven by various environmental forcing.
- Additional information regarding the key areas that could be affected by the oil pollution, as well as about the marine traffic AIS information.
- Limited scale risk assessment analysis in order the high-risk areas during a possible oil spill accident to be identified.
- Oil spill dispersion results when the pollution source is located on the seabed, for direct use in case of oil drilling accidents.

STAKEHOLDERS: Emergency Response Companies, National Entities (Public Authorities), NGOs, Marine Research Institutes, Shipping companies and Oil Drilling companies

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Pilot 3: Maritime Security and Anomaly Detection

GOAL: Identify vessel routes based on their motion patterns to act proactively and minimise threats at sea.

DESCRIPTION: Events, activities and threats in the maritime ecosystem could potentially impact global safety, economic activity or the environment. Understanding of such events, activities, and threats, known as Maritime Situational Awareness (MSA), has been ineffective in the past due to the lack of data. However, current tracking technologies have transformed the problem into one of an overabundance of information, leading to a need for automated analysis. The anomaly detection service is capable of detecting in real time a number of potential anomalies including deviations from vessel's Patterns of Life, proximity events, sailing in shallow or dangerous waters, frequent or vessel specific AIS field changes and AIS signal loss (indicating that a target has gone "dark"). On all such events, customers are able to view the vessels past track and further investigate the area or vessel of interest. This tool offers the option to focus on high risk fleet and monitor its activity. Through our vessel profiling tool, maritime professionals can get a representative view of a vessel's behaviour. Data about vessels' illegal activities, such as smuggling, illegal fishing or vessels that have been detained or even banned are collected and used to construct vessel risk profiles. Ask us today for details on how to access anomaly detection service and how the BigDataOcean platform can implement maritime services for you!

STAKEHOLDERS: Port authorities, Ocean Observatories, Port/Cargo Community systems, Transport and Logistics companies, Harbour Pilots and Maritime Consultants

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Pilot 4: Wave power as the next clean energy source

GOAL: Evaluation of wave energy potential and contribution to development of wave energy solutions.

DESCRIPTION: BigDataOcean provides you with a set of services aiming at evaluating the wave potential for energy generation in multiple geographies. Whether you are a researcher developing new Wave Energy Converters (WEC), a WEC Owner or a service provider performing site planning studies, a pilot zone concessionaire aiming at exploring the zone characteristics or an enthusiast about wave or other offshore renewable energies, you can find a dedicated service at BigDataOcean to help you further develop your solutions. In BigDataOcean you can find a range of multiple services related to Wave Energy, including:

- Wave resource characterization in your selected location or area, based in historical data.
- Wave forecast.
- Assessment of Wave Energy Converters energy generation, allowing to compare your device with others.
- Forecast of energy generation for your WEC device.

All services use multiple numerical models and data sources including in-situ measurements. Make sure the selected location does not affect the environment by belonging to a protected area or other economic activities by being inside a maritime corridor or other area of interest. Additionally, you can also use general data services, allowing to quickly visualise data and create your own queries. Ask us today for details on how to access the BigDataOcean platform and the services implemented for you!

STAKEHOLDERS: Offshore Renewables Service Providers, Offshore Pilot Zone Concessionaires, WEC developers, Energy Producers, Hydrographic Centres

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Figure 26: BigDataOcean Pilot flyers

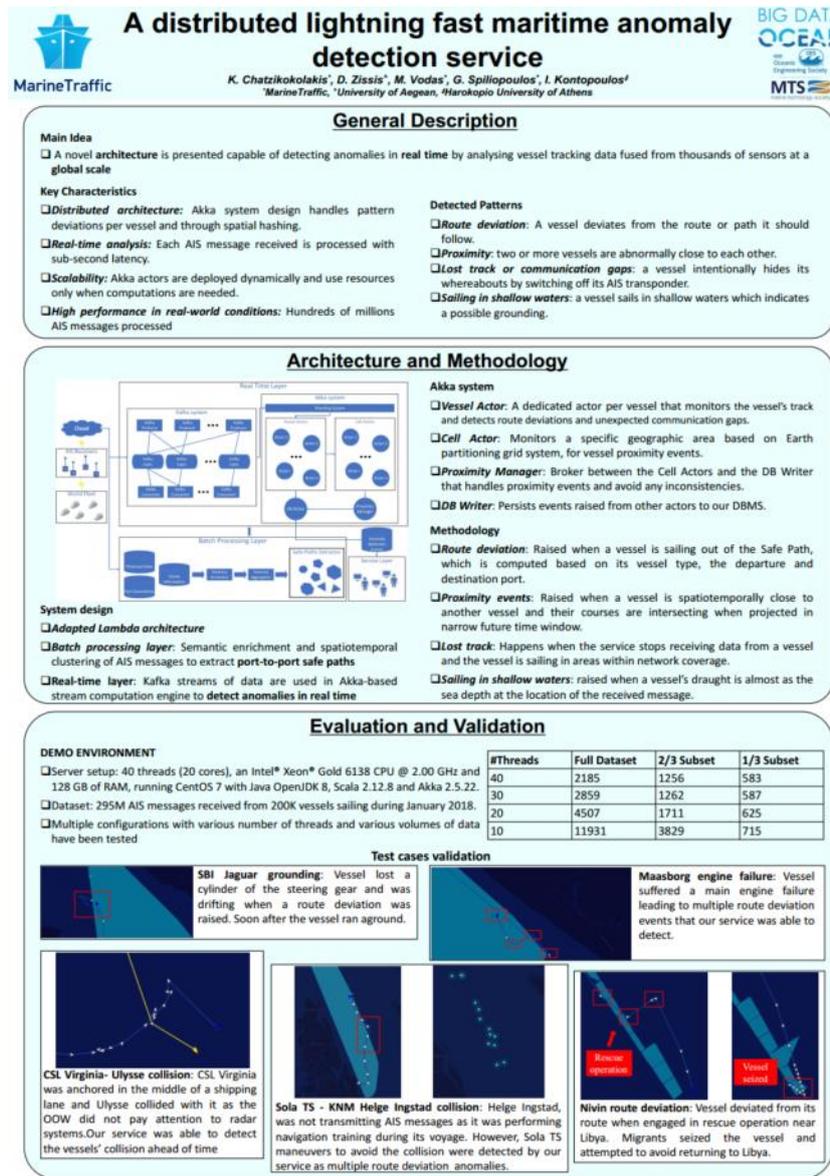


Figure 27: BigDataOcean poster for Pilot 3 (presented in Poster Session of OCEANS'19)

BIG DATA OCEAN

Exploiting oceans of data for maritime applications



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 BIG DATA VALUE

Figure 28: BigDataOcean banner

4 Data Collected and Generated During the Project

During the whole duration of BigDataOcean project more than 200 datasets have been added to the BigDataOcean platform. More specifically, the BDO platform hosts more than 170 TB of data retrieved from 17 data sources including 209 distinct datasets from 223 data providers. The full list of the datasets and their description is presented in Annex I of deliverable D5.6 "BigDataOcean Platform Final Release". **The vast majority of those datasets (i.e., 204 out of the 209 dataset) are open and can be used freely from the BDO platform users.**

The following table lists only the private data that are hosted in BDO platform. This data can be shared with other BigDataOcean platform users only with the prior consent of the dataset owner.

Table 4-1: Proprietary Data hosted in BDO platform

| BigDataOcean Platform's Datasets | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|----------------|------------------|----------|
| No | Dataset Name | Dataset Description | Number of Rows | Total Size (GBs) | Owner |
| 1 | ANEK EPOS History Data | Travel information from ANEK's EPOS system | 8,267,209 | 5.2791 | ANEK |
| 2 | ANEK Epos History Data | Journey information from ANEK's EPOS system | 6,453 | 0.0131 | ANEK |
| 3 | FOINIKAS Tanker Trips | Trip information regarding FOINIKAS' tankers | 1,422 | 0.0034 | FOINIKAS |
| 4 | EXMILE AIS | The dataset includes the positional data of vessels that have been received by the MarineTraffic(Exmile) private AIS receivers network during 2010. This data collection contains dynamic information such as time-series observations of latitude, longitude, course over ground, speed over ground as well as a set of static information such as vessel's identification information (e.g., IMO, MMSI, etc.) that are periodically transmitted from vessels | 533,836,530 | 107.34 | EXMILE |
| 5 | EXMILE Real Time AIS | Live AIS data coming directly from vessels' AIS receivers via the XMILE API | 42,532 | 0.5924 | EXMILE |

Finally, each pilot user is the owner of any datasets that are produced through data analysis performed upon any of the datasets hosted in the BDO platform. The pilot user then can share the produced dataset with any other BDO platform user.

5 Conclusion

As the last deliverable of WP8 “Dissemination and Communication Activities”, this document aims to: i) report the dissemination and communication activities carried out during the second reporting period of the BigDataOcean project (M16-M30); and ii) address the data collected and generated during the entire project and the respective future access.

Following the dissemination and communication plans defined in D8.4 “Communication and Stakeholder Engagement Report and Plan for Second Reporting Period” several dissemination and communication mechanisms were used to engage with the Maritime and Energy industries related users, hence reverting the tendency to address the Big Data Community that the project had targeted in the first period. As an example, from the 29 (external) dissemination events attended during the second reporting period, about 70 % had the Maritime Industry as target audience where several industry contact points were established. If to this, one adds the internal events at partners’ premises (e.g. Demo Events), this ratio will even be better as most of those events were directed to maritime related stakeholders.

In total, 95% of the KPIs were successfully achieved or surpassed (100% if dissemination alone is considered). Additionally, the dissemination and communication activities supported the achievement of other objectives, like gathering 755 evaluations for the BigDataOcean platform during the second reporting period (more than 1100 in total) with about 70% of the evaluators coming from the Maritime or Energy industries (the Maritime industry alone contributed with 443 evaluations (approximately 60%) in the second reporting period). Table 5-1 summarises the results collected for all dissemination and communication KPIs.

Table 5-1: Dissemination and communication mechanisms and associated KPIs

| Mechanism | Related KPIs | Target M16-M30 | Achieved M16-M30 | Achieved M1-M30 |
|--|---|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| D1 “Organisation of project events” | Number of workshops organised | 4 | 5 | 14 |
| | Number of hackathons organised | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| | Number of demo events | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| D2 “Participation to conferences and workshops” | Number of attended events | 19 | 29 | 50 |
| | Number of events with project’s presentation | 14 | 19 | 30 |
| | Number of project’s demo booths | 3 | 6 | 6 |
| D3 “Publications” | Number of conference papers | 7 | 13 | 21 |
| | Number of journal papers | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of articles in trade press | 16 | 16 | 16 ³¹ |
| D4 “Community building/ engagement with stakeholders” | Number of industry contact points | 241 | 250 | 309 |
| | Number of industry communities informed about the project | 22 | 30 | 38 |
| | Number of webinars | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| D5 “Collaboration” | Number of projects with synergies | 4 | 8 | 19 |

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| and synergies with projects" | Number of joint activities | 3 | 5 | 12 |
| D6 "Internal dissemination in partner's networks" | Number of internal partners' events | 9 | 14 | 15 |
| | Number of links to the project's website | 14 | 15 | 51 |
| | Number of training sessions | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| D7 "Standardisation contributions" | Number of working groups | 2 | 7 | 8 |
| | Number of project's presentations in standardisation meeting (online of offline) | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| C1 "Project's Website" | Number of unique visitors | 3 293 | 3 344 | 6051 |
| | Average duration of visits (min) | 2 | 2:42 | 2:28 |
| | Number of page views | 11 785 | 13 427 | 25 212 |
| C2 "Social media presence" | Number of accumulative followers in social media channels | 824 | 255 | 431 |
| | Number of accumulative posts | 942 | 101 | 159 |
| | Number of interactions in social media | 208 | 1 099 | 1 391 |
| C3 "Website Content" | Number of sections dedicated to pilots | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of blog-posts in website | 40 | 42 | 62 |
| | Number of interactions | 109 | 143 | 234 |
| C4 "Traditional media" | Number of press releases | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| C5 "Communication material" | Number of project's factsheets/ brochures and banners | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| | Number of pilot specific posters and flyers | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| | Number of e-Newsletter | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| | Number of videos | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| | Number of blog posts in EC mechanisms | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| | Number of e-Newsletter registered users | 200 | 298 | 350 |
| | Number of times videos watched | 100 | 329 | 329 ³² |
| | Number of views per blog post | 100 | 142 | 142 ³³ |

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