

## ***Interactive comment on “Contribution of the Black Sea observing system to ECOOP” by G. K. Korotaev et al.***

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The paper presents observing systems deployed over the years in the Black Sea. It gives an exhaustive view of the different platforms and data available, for each of which an example is provided. Though the paper is clearly written and no fundamental errors are identified, I simply do not consider the paper presents any new scientific findings. Observations themselves are of course not questioned as they are already published in other papers (some cited in the manuscript). But no new observations/interpretations are presented and the text does not provide any new view on observing strategy, assessments or any other scientific questions. The manuscript is just an illustrated inventory suited for a lecture or report, but not a science paper nor a science review paper. Therefore it simply has not its place in Ocean Science Discussion (nor Ocean Science) and I would suggest the authors to withdraw the text.

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