

Interactive comment on “Developing European operational oceanography for Blue Growth, climate change adaptation and mitigation and ecosystem-based management” by J. She et al.

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This paper is a well structured and well formulated, providing a clear though general overview of Operational Oceanography in Europe mainly from the perspectives of European Global Ocean Observing System (EUROGOOS). The topics although not truly scientific in nature perfectly map on the objective of this special issue to explain the current state of the art and developments of Operational Oceanography in Europe. System components such as the observing network and the modeling and forecasting capability are explained in general terms and related projects. Key references are made to project acronyms and recent publications, providing the reader an interesting general perspective and overview. Acronyms are spelled out. Furthermore, the paper

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focus on two major application areas: coastal operational oceanography and operational (marine) ecology. In these areas, the 'blue' and 'green' services are expected to substantially contribute to (economic) growth.

Small remarks:

'JPI-Ocean' is neither referenced nor in the acronym list.

Is 'BONUS-163' sufficiently explained? Generally, the list of acronyms may need to be checked again on completeness.

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