

SEABED 2030

Energizing Ocean Floor Mapping













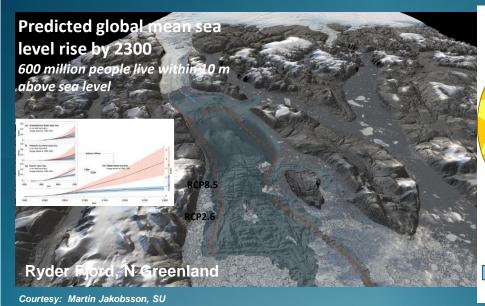
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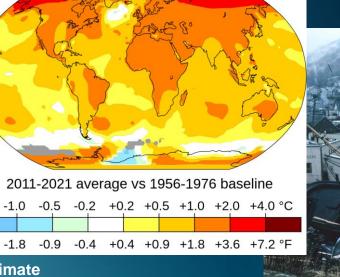
You Can't Properly Manage what you Haven't Measured

Temperature change in the last 50 years



Climate

Courtesy: NASA



Courtesy: NOAA



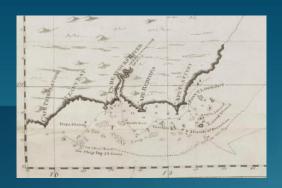
Gathering Depth Information





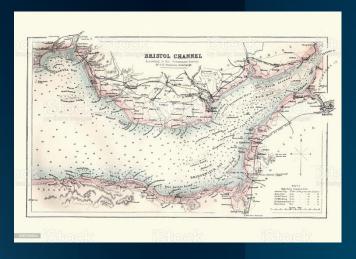


Portrayal as a Necessity



James Cook, 1770





Bristol Channel, 1880

Edward Bransfield, 1820 observation on 1844 chart



The General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans GEBCO



Established 1903





GEBCO



Joint programme of:

- The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
- &
- The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC/UNESCO)

Aim: provide authoritative, publicly-available bathymetry (depth) data sets of the world's oceans

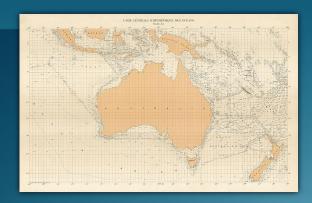
Mainly voluntary international community of:

- Scientists
- Oceanographers
- Hydrographers
- Citizens



GEBCO over the decades

1st Edition 1903

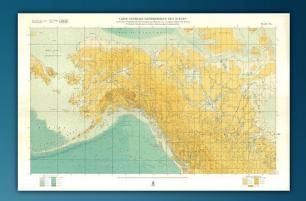


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2nd Edition 1910-30

3rd Edition 1932-66

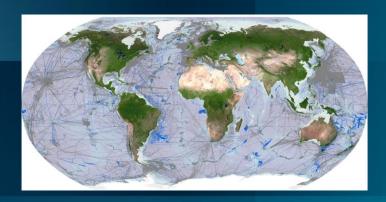




4th Edition 1958-73

5th Edition 1973-82





2023 Release



The Nippon Foundation-GEBCO Seabed 2030 Project









June 2017





Flagship **Programme**

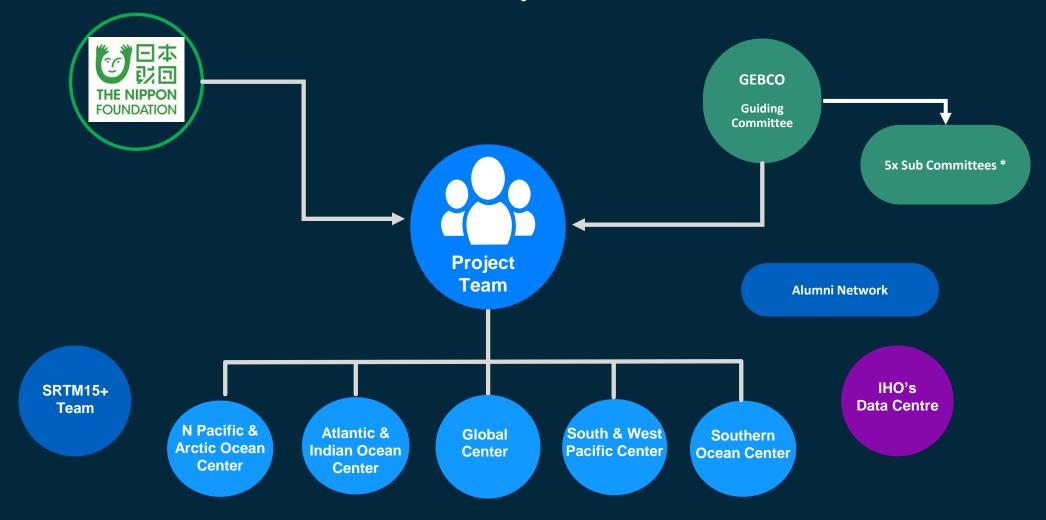
June 2021

Collaboration to:

- inspire 100% seabed mapping by 2030
- compile the GEBCO Map



Seabed 2030 Simplified Network



^{*} Technical | Regional | Undersea Feature Names | Engagement & Outreach | Education & Training





DECADE OUTCOMES

"THE OCEAN WE WANT"

- Clean
- Healthy & Resilient
- Productive
- Predicted
- Safe
- Accessible
- Inspiring & Engaging

OCEAN DECADE CHALLENGES



Pollutants



Ecosystems



Food from the Ocean



Ocean economy



Ocean-climate nexus



Ocean-related risks



Ocean observing system



Ocean digital representation



Capacity development



Behaviour change

Coastal -bathymetry

Mapping central

Bathymetry dependent

Mapping intensive

Modelling, SLR, etc.

Bathymetry intensive

Georeferencing

Central facility

Strongly needed

Resonates with people

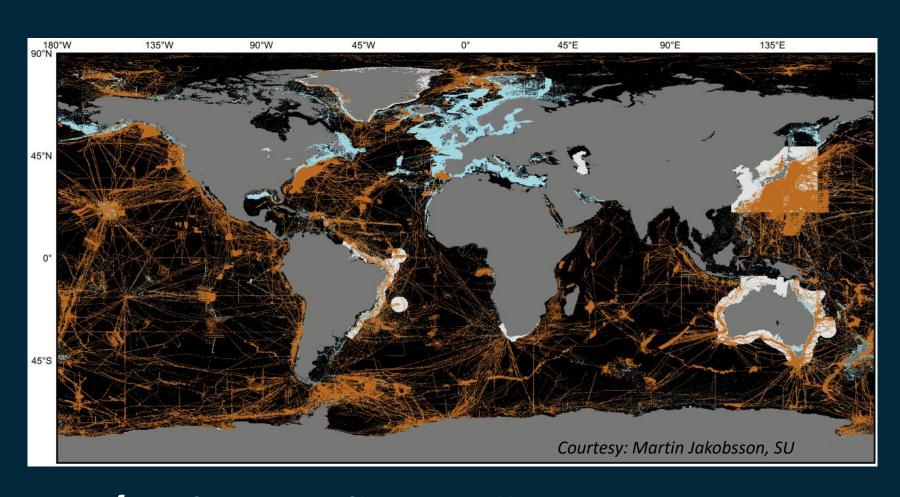


Progress so far ...

GEBCO Map:

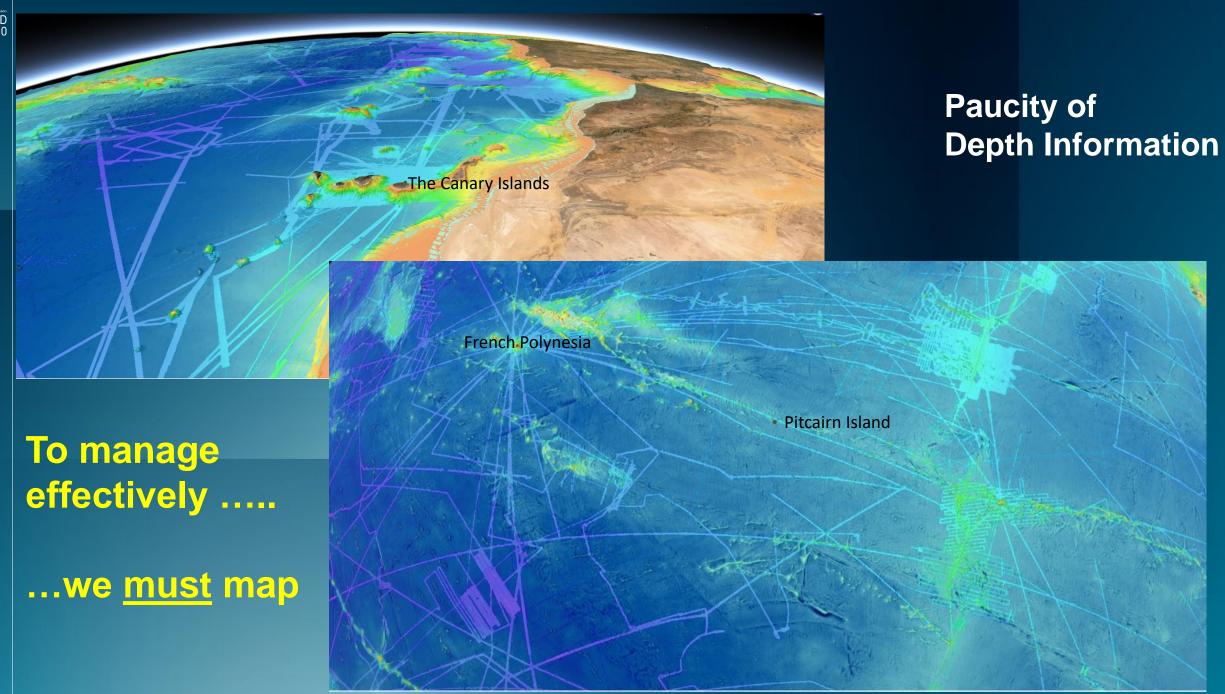
• 6% in 2017

- Now **24.9%**
 - 90.1 million KM2
 - 5 x South America
 - 3 x Africa



3/4 of ocean floor still to go







Target Resolutions

- Depth dependent
- We will never ask for data of any higher resolution than:
 - 1 x depth value in 100x100m box







The IHO Crowdsourced Bathymetry Initiative



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Crowdsourced bathymetry (CSB) is the collection of depth measurements from vessels, using standard navigation instruments, while engaged in routine maritime operations. CSB can be used to supplement the more rigorous and scientific bathymetric coverage done by hydrographic offices, industry, and researchers around the world.

In 2014, the IHO recognized that traditional survey vessels alone could not be relied upon to solve data deficiency issues and agreed there was a need to encourage and support all mariners in an effort to "map the gaps." An initiative was established to support and enable mariners and professionally manned vessels to collect CSB. This approach leverages underway x, y, z, t data already being collected on vessels with common commercial echo sounders and Global Navigation Satellite System receivers.



Contributing CSB Data to the DCDB

The DCDB accepts CSB contributions through a network of "Trusted Nodes," which may be organizations, companies or universities serving as data liaisons between mariners (data collectors) and the DCDB. Trusted Nodes may supply data logging equipment, provide technical support to vessels, download data from data loggers, and be responsible for data transfer directly to the DCDB.

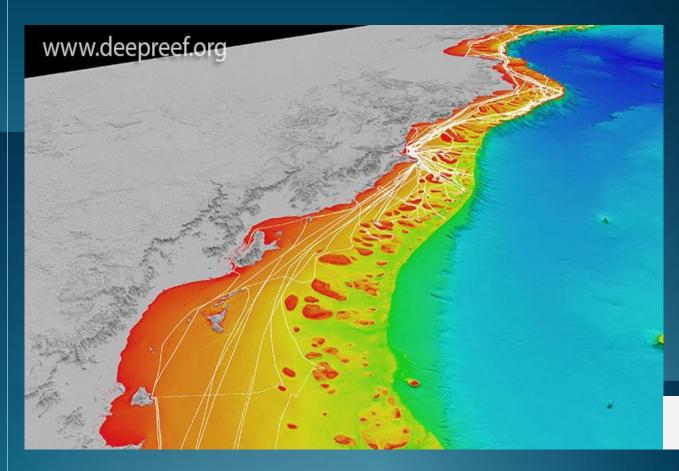
CSB data must be provided in either CSV or GeoJSON, and capture the minimum required information (XYZ, timestamp). Examples of both data formats can be found in our Ingest API documentation. As a trusted node, you will be asked to provide additional information about yourself (provider contact point/organization name, provider email, and unique ID).

Those interested in contributing data or becoming a Trusted Node should contact the DCDB at bathydata@iho.int.

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The Value of Crowdsourced Bathymetry Data



- Data at no cost to the public sector
- Fill gaps where data is scarce
- Useful along shallow, complex coastlines
- Identification of uncharted features
- Assistance in verifying charted information
- and more

3D view of northern Great Barrier Reef showing all vessel tracks as of December 2019

... but only if vessels collect depth information while on passage!



Nemo 30 Seafloor Logger

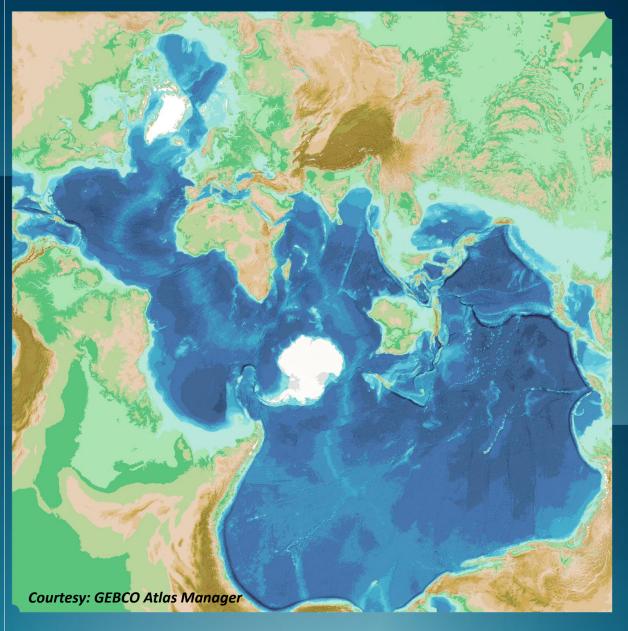


- Collaborative development between University of New Hampshire & Sea_ID
- NMEA0183/2000 compact data logger for CSB









It really is

Our One Ocean!

Vision:

100% Ocean Floor mapped by 2030



Thank you















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