

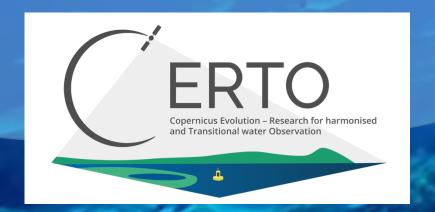
## SHAREMED First Capitalisation Workshop

Designing the future system of observing systems to assess and address threats to the Mediterranean marine ecosystem - State-of-the-art, needs and future direction

Webinar: 14-15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

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Copernicus Evolution – Research for harmonised and Transitional-water Observation (CERTO)

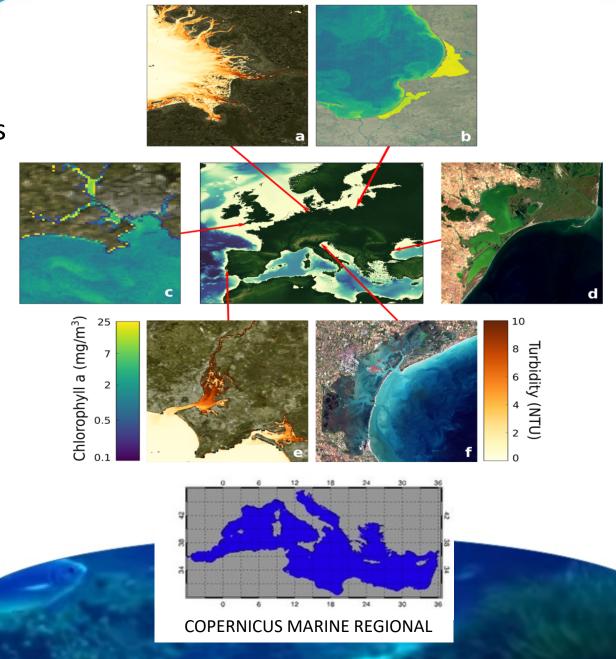




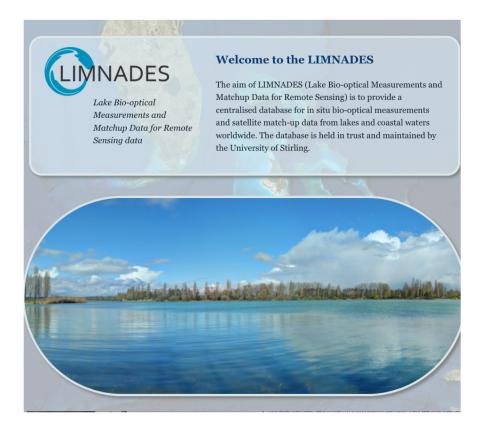
- EC H2020 "Copernicus Evolution Research for harmonised and Transitional-water Observation" (CERTO) coordinated by Prof. Steve Groom, PML
- Focuses on harmonising satellite water-quality observations (algal blooms, suspended particulates) between Copernicus Services (Marine, Climate Change and Land) and adding support for transitional waters (lagoons, estuaries, rivers and near-coast)
- Jan 2020 Dec 2022 (pending COVID-19 related extensions that have impacted in situ)



- □ Case studies are across Europe and Copernicus Marine regional areas inc. Mediterranean; methods will be applicable pan-Europe/global
  - Satellite observations 10m -1km; daily to 3 day
  - In situ observations of bio-optical constituents for validation of EO data and regional characterisation
  - Water quality data users in industry, monitoring (e.g. MSFD, WFD), academics, downstream service providers /value-adders



- ☐ In situ data will be made available via the open database LIMNADES (limnades.stir.ac.uk)
- ☐ EO data will be produced through Copernicus Services; also via downstream data providers or by end-users via an open-source data processing package (e.g. SNAP)
- ☐ Addressing MSFD, WFD, also downstream applications in industry
- ☐ Water quality variables and indicators harmonised across the water continuum from lakes, rivers, estuaries, lagoons, coastal waters and the oceans



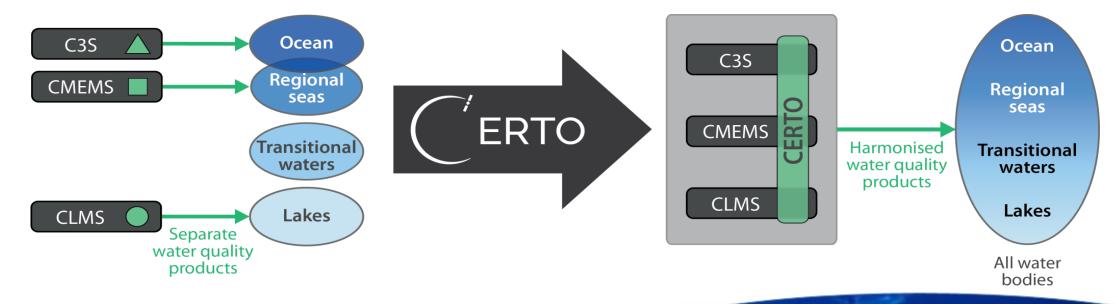






Water quality is relevant to environmental threats or risks in the Mediterranean including harmful algal blooms and aquaculture, WFD/MSFD, coastal erosion, bathing waters etc
CERTO addresses a gap in the Copernicus services by extending observations to transitional waters
CERTO is not currently engaged with the European Ocean Observing System (EOOS)
Improved water classification approaches, improved atmospheric corrections, improved spatial resolution of observations

- ☐ CERTO aims to harmonise EO water quality data production across three relevant Copernicus Services
- ☐ CERTO will add observations to critical transitional water



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