



The European Coastal Ocean Observing System

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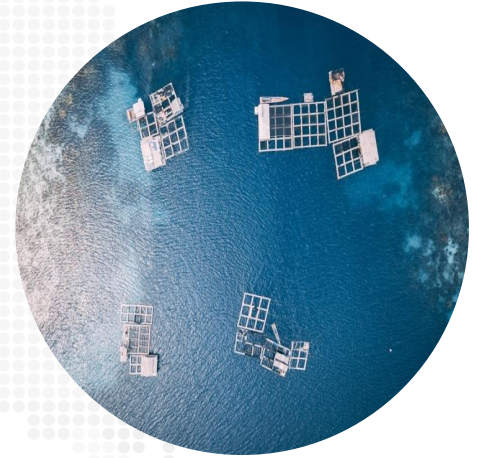
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Current Situation



Pressure to develop Europe's coastal domains to maximise the blue economy in a sustainable manner are high.



Achieving sustainable development requirements good management at local, national, regional and international levels.

Managing Pressures

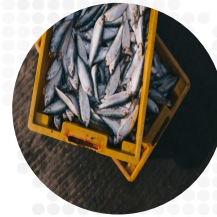
Europe's Coastal Seas face unprecedented pressure. Key threats include:



Climate change



Pollution



Over exploitation
(fishing, resources etc)



Habitat destruction

These threats not only harm the environment but also affect:



Human health



Food security



The economy



Regulation

Deep Ocean Forcing



Climatic
Phenomena

Swells

Tides

Connectivity
Mechanisms

Pollution

Ocean Warming

Changes in Wind Regimes

Continental Forcing



River
Outflows

Coastal Nature

Land Use

Man-made
Engineering

Pollution

Acidification

Eutrophication

Biodiversity Evolution

The need to manage and mitigate against the threats to Europe's coastal domains in a sustainable manner has resulted in a suite of National, European and International policy instruments including:

- **The Marine Strategy Framework Directive**
- **The Water Framework Directive**
- **The Common Fisheries Policy**
- **The Bathing Water Quality Directive**



European member states have an obligation to meet these policy requirements at **local**, **national**, **regional** and **international** levels.

**The
challenge...
...how hard is
it?**



Monitoring the coastal seas is essential for sustainable development and meeting policy requirements, but it also presents a number of challenges, which include:



Vast size, diverse and dynamic area to be monitored



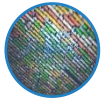
Spatial and temporal variability in physical and chemical parameters



Access to robust data and data products that can inform decisions at local, national and European levels








Data management and storage



Data integration of different sensors, models, formats, units, parameters spatial and temporal scales across and within regions

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-  Deployment and maintenance of sensors
-  Quality assurance of data from sensors and models
-  The data are large and complex and require experts to interpret or produce products for stakeholders
-  Lack of standardisation of methods and defined best practices
-  National, regional and international cross-discipline collaboration is required

**How do
we deal
with it?**

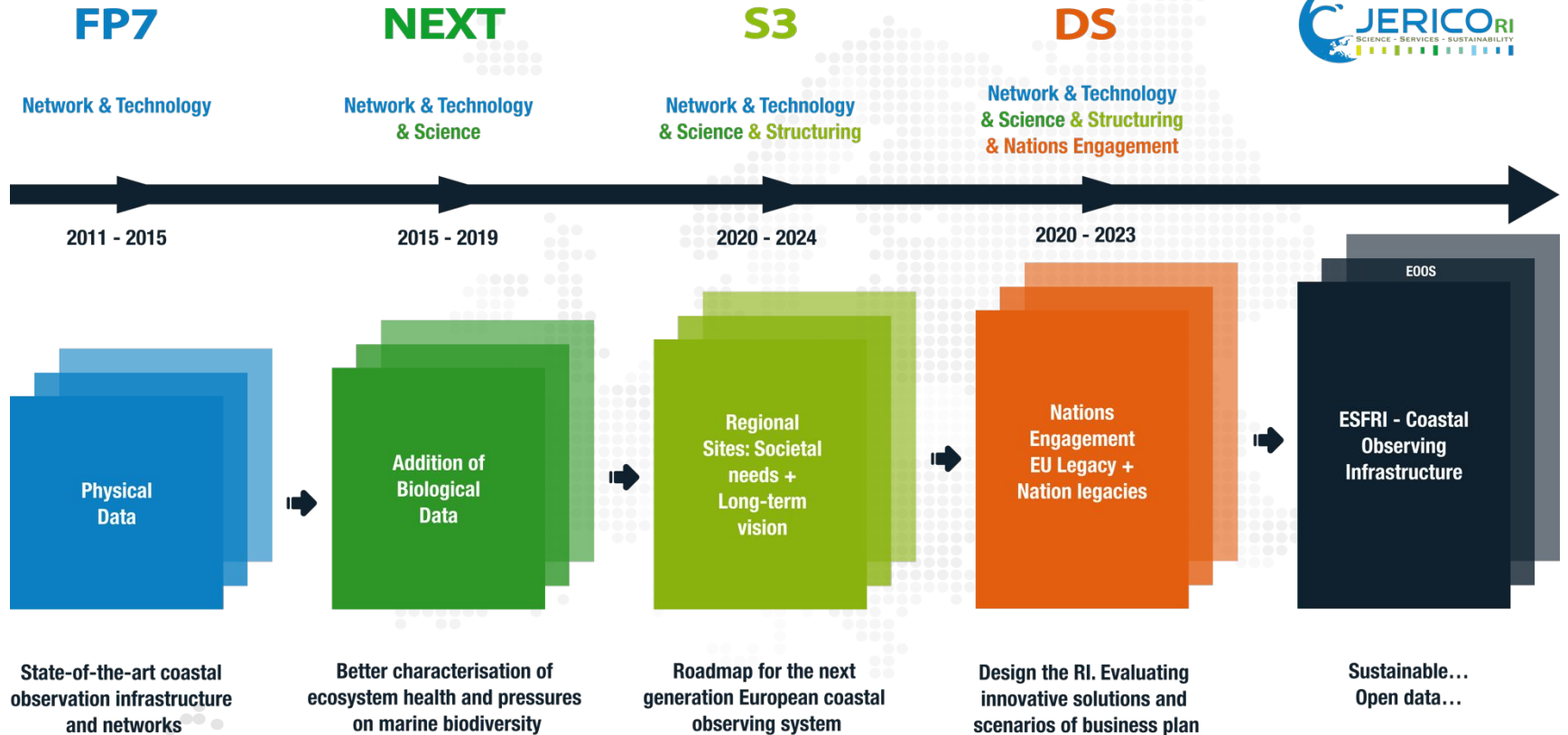


Managing pressures and meeting policy requirements

Managing these threats, achieving sustainable development, and meeting National, European and International policy obligations requires:

- Long-term, sustainable and geographically extensive coastal monitoring
- Complex models capable of forecasting at local and regional scales
- FAIR Access to high-quality and comprehensive data and data products
- Scientific research to better understand complex coastal ecosystems and the impacts of natural and anthropogenic changes at local, national and regional scales
- Capacity building and knowledge transfer
- Excellence in calibration – Best Practices – Standardisation and Harmonisation

Building the Research Infrastructure



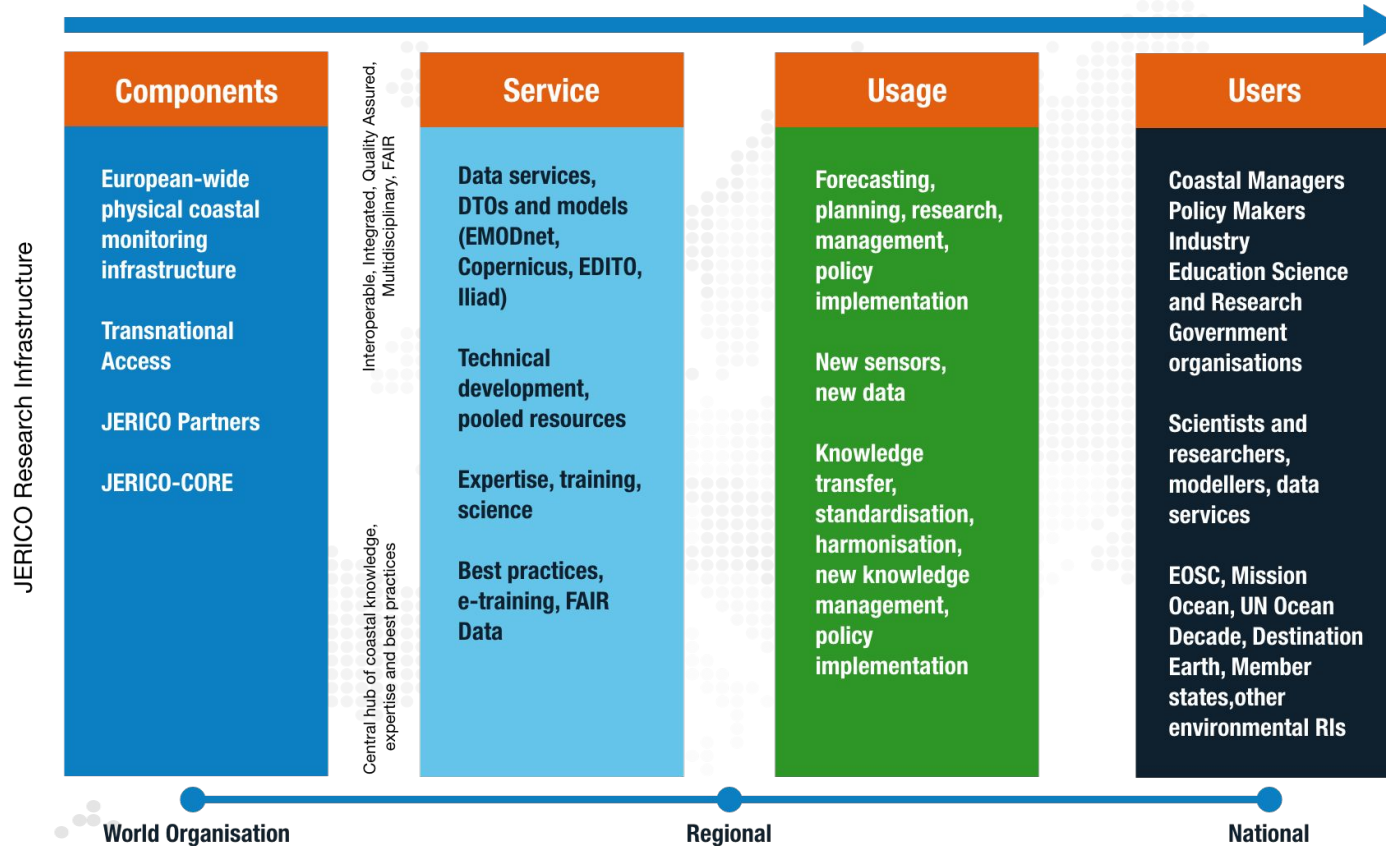
The solution

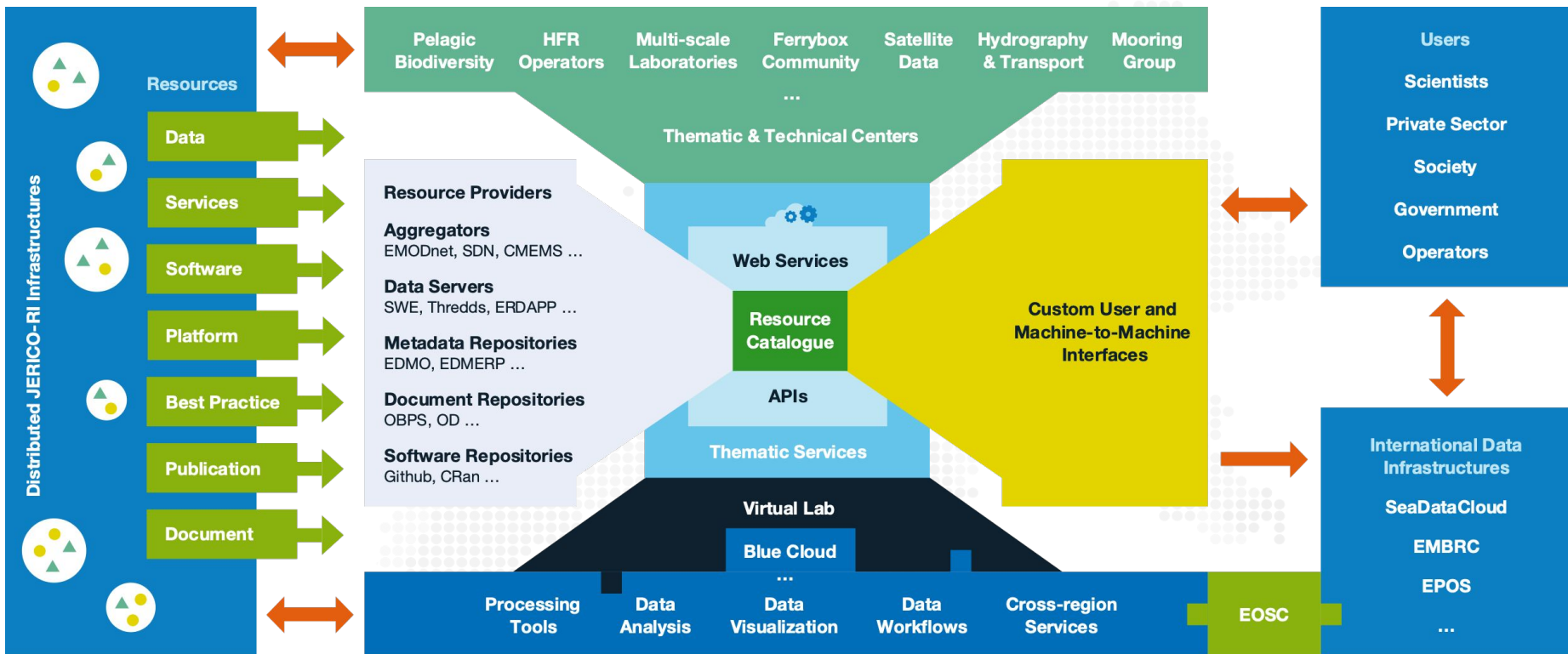


The JERICO Research Infrastructure

- JERICO-RI is an integrated pan-European multidisciplinary and multi-platform research infrastructure dedicated to a holistic appraisal of coastal marine system changes.
- It is seamlessly bridging existing continental, atmospheric and open ocean RIs, thus filling a key gap in the ESFRI landscape. JERICO-RI establishes the framework upon which coastal marine systems are observed, analysed, understood and forecasted.
- JERICO-RI enables open-access to state-of-the-art and innovative facilities, resources, FAIR data and fit-for-purpose services, fostering international science collaboration.









● Bottom-based Obs.

● Fixed Platform

● HF Radar

● Manual Sampling

● Coastal Profiler

— Ferrybox

— Glider

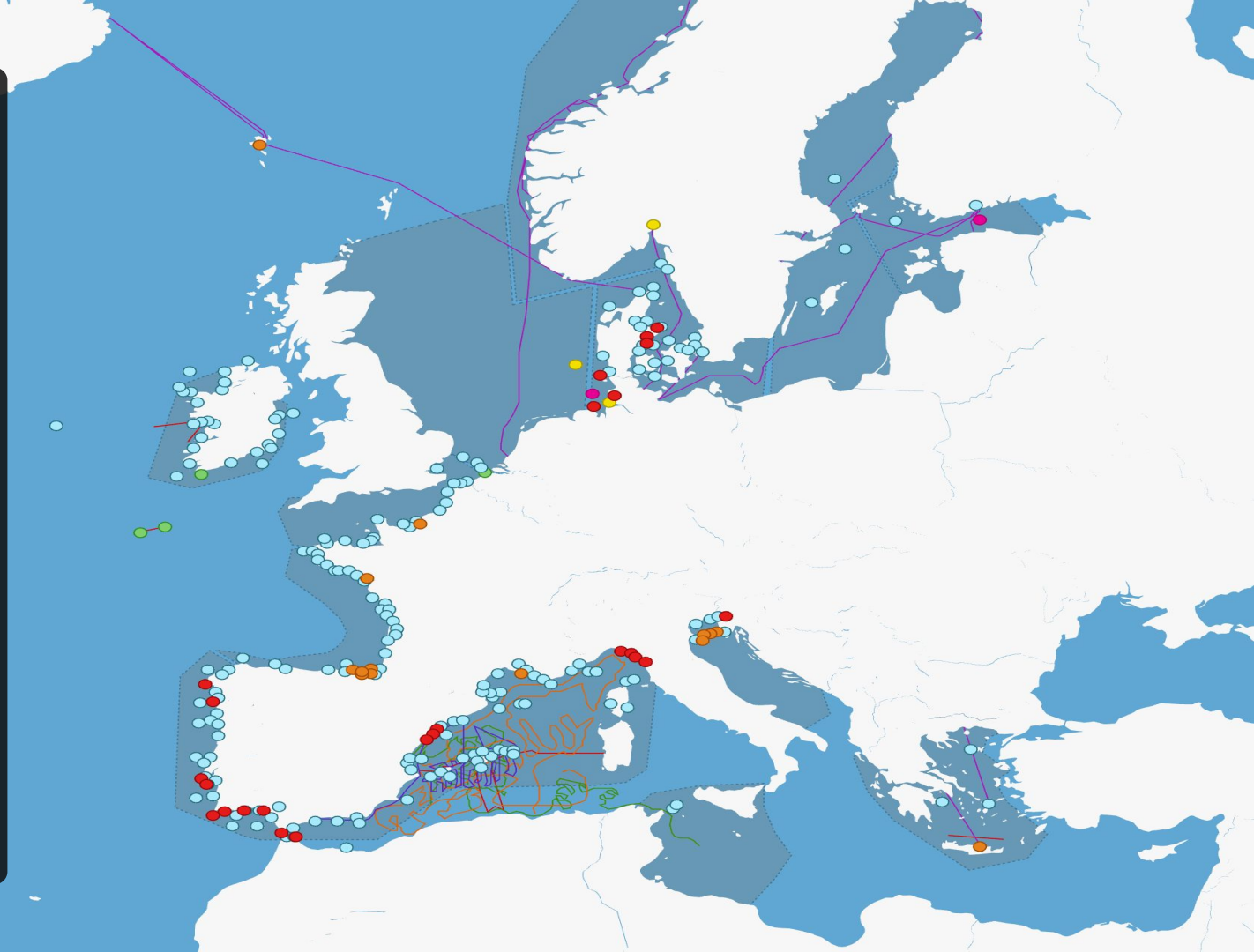
— Profiler

— Surface Drifters

— Research Vessel

Ferrybox

Regions



JERICORi as a Solution for Coastal Management and Policy Requirements

- A dedicated coastal science, monitoring and management research infrastructure
- Extensive network of almost 700 platforms monitoring Europe's vast coastline, spanning 19 countries covering 13 regions
- 39 partners made up of scientists, modellers, technicians, and stakeholders who provide a central hub of coastal expertise within individual member states and across Europe.
- Defines best practices, standardisation, quality assurance, and harmonisation of data collection, treatments and products.
- Provides capacity building and knowledge transfer

JERICO as a Solution for Coastal Management and Policy Requirements

- Provides FAIR Access to high-quality data and data products at local, national and European scales
- Provides virtual access to specific datasets and model products
- Provides transnational access to part of its vast infrastructure

Has a clear scientific strategy for:

- Assessing & predicting changes under the influence of global and local drivers
- Assessing the impact of climate change and extreme events
- Unravelling the impacts of natural and anthropogenic changes



JERICO in the National Landscape



JERICO in the European Landscape



JERICO in the European Landscape

- JERICO is the coastal arm of Europe's vast environmental data and services landscape.

Already a long-term provider to EMODnet and Copernicus, it will be a significant contributor to:

- Europe's emerging European Digital Twins of the Ocean (EDITO)
- The innovative digital twins for end users developed under H2020 Iliad
- The Destination Earth (DestinE) flagship initiative
- EU Mission: Restore our Ocean and Waters



JERICO in the European Landscape

- JERICO will provide coastal components to the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)
- JERICO-CORE is an endorsed project of the CoastPredict programme under the United Nations Decade of the Ocean
- The services provided by JERICO are available for national partners and stakeholders and continue to support coastal management, policy implementation and sustainable development at National, Regional and International levels.



The JERICO-RI is an essential tool for:

- Coastal management and sustainable development in Europe
- Providing high-quality marine observations
- Supporting policy frameworks
- Contributing to the blue economy

Its network of observatories and data management tools to enable researchers, policymakers, and stakeholders to make informed decisions and take effective actions to protect Europe's coastal seas.



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● Supporting Observation Associations
EuroGOOS
UNESCO

● Faroe Islands
FAMRI

● UK
BLIT
CEFAS

● Netherlands
DELTAres
Maris
RWS

● Ireland
NIUG
MI

● Belgium
BELSPO
RBINS
VLIZ

● France
ACRI-ST
BRGM
CEREMA
CNRS
IEE
Ifremer
IGN
IRD
SHOM
Univ. Marines

● Portugal
IH

● Spain
AZTI
CSIC
PUE
PLOCAN
SOCIB
UPC

● Norway
COV
IMR
NIVA
NORCE

● Sweden
SMHI

● Finland
FMI
SYKE

● Estonia
TALTECH

● Denmark
DMI

● Poland
IBWPAN

● Germany
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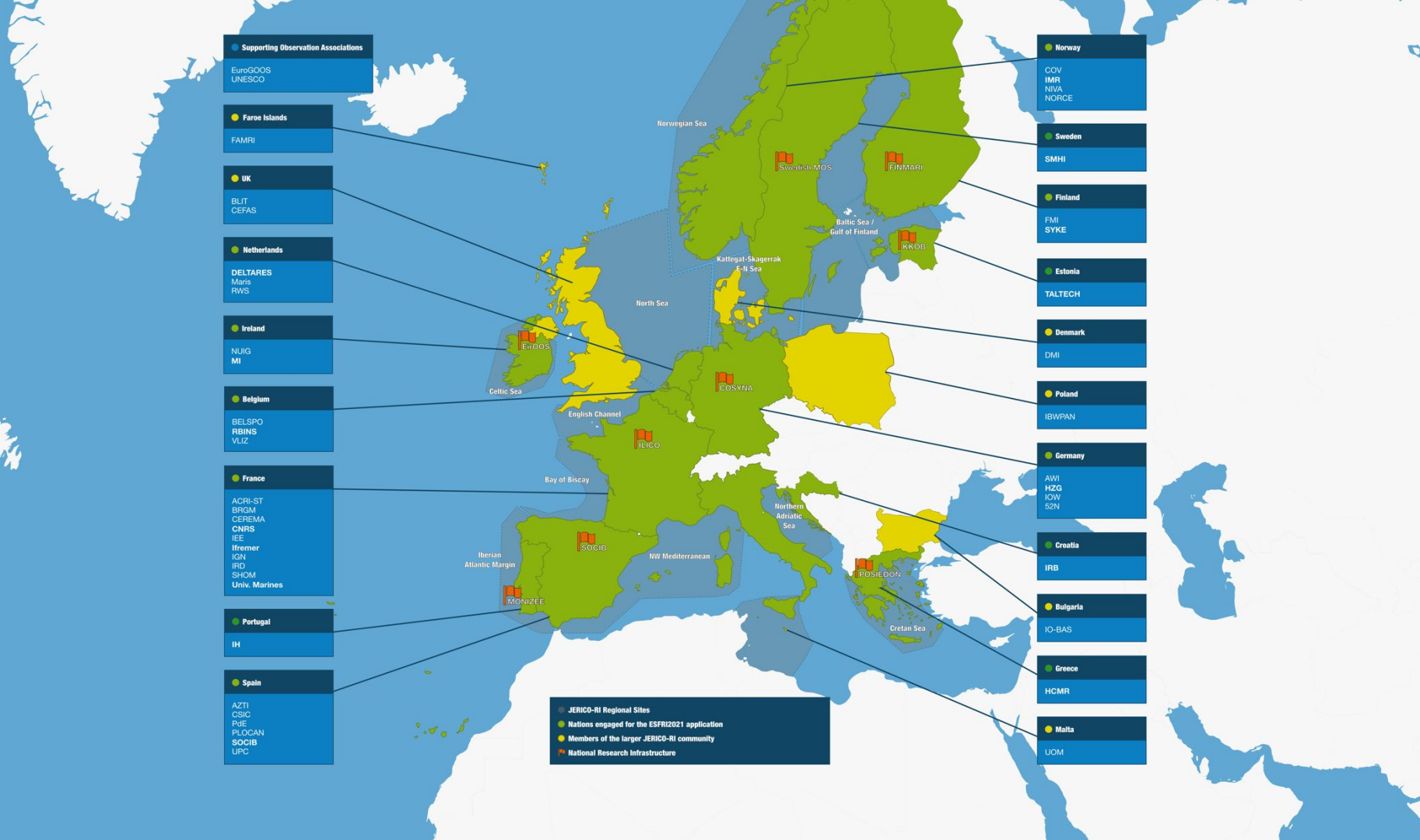
● Croatia
IRD

● Bulgaria
IO-BAS

● Greece
HCMR

● Malta
UOM

● JERICO-RI Regional Sites
● Nations engaged for the ESFR2021 application
● Members of the larger JERICO-RI community
● National Research Infrastructure



Towards Internal and External Services

Key (internal) activities:

For ensuring that we can provide pan-European services

- Common working method, harmonization, protocols, standards, good practices
- Pan-European coastal observation strategy (science, regionalization)
- Interoperability (e.g. easy data aggregation, etc.)
- New technologies
- Modeling working group

User-targeted services (external), enabled by internal activities:

- Data/Datasets
- Transnational access (51 facilities available)
- Virtual Access (20 VAs available)
- Advanced products supporting the DTO, Copernicus, ESA
- Joint actions with other IRs
- Link to coastal data providers (national level monitoring, industry, citizen science, etc.)
- Promote coastal ecosystem services
- Biodiversity (conservation, restoration)
- Impact of extreme events
- Impact of climate change

Decision

Assembly of Members

JERICO-RI Governance

Scientific, Technical and
Ethical
Advisory Committee

Executive

Director General

Central Management Office
(CMO)

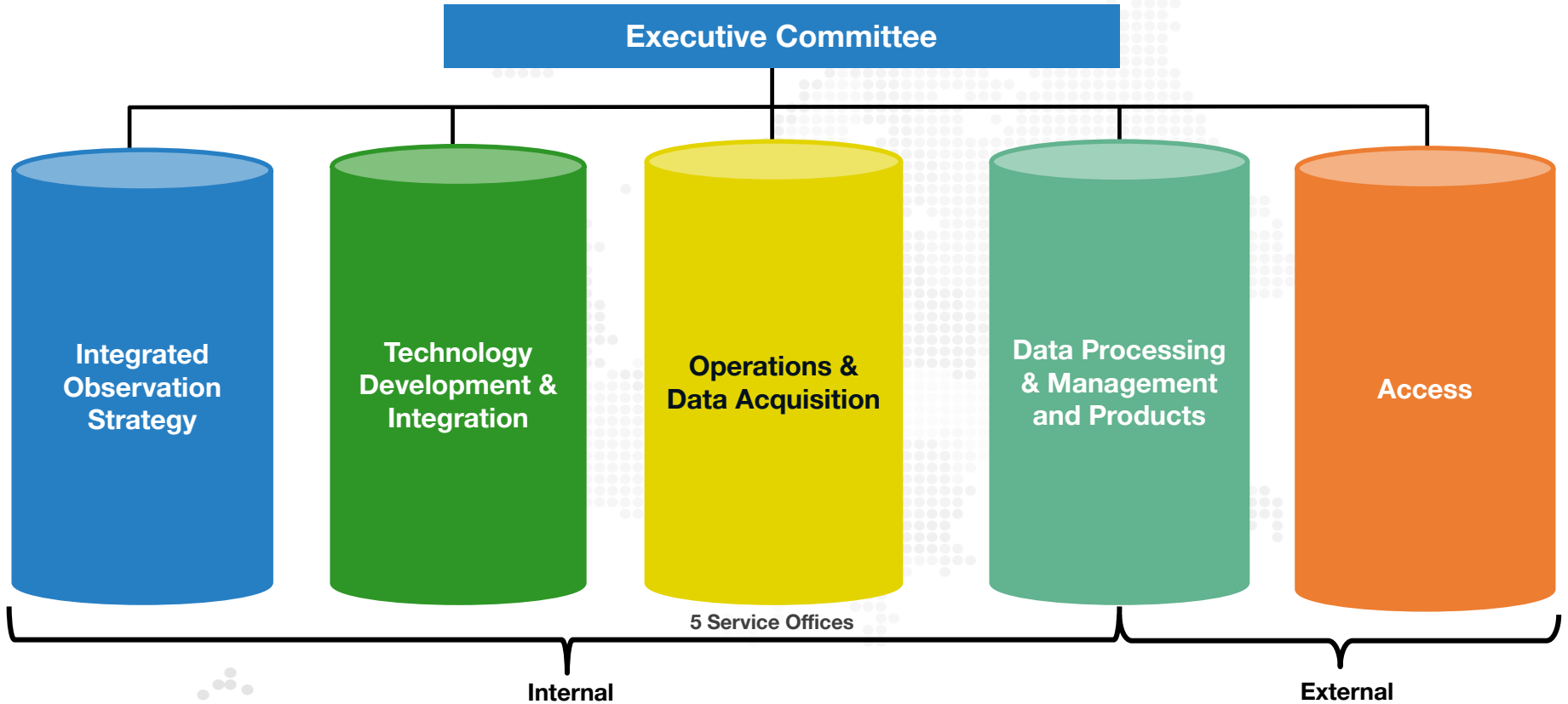
Executive Committee - ExCo
Including
National Representatives
& Office Managers

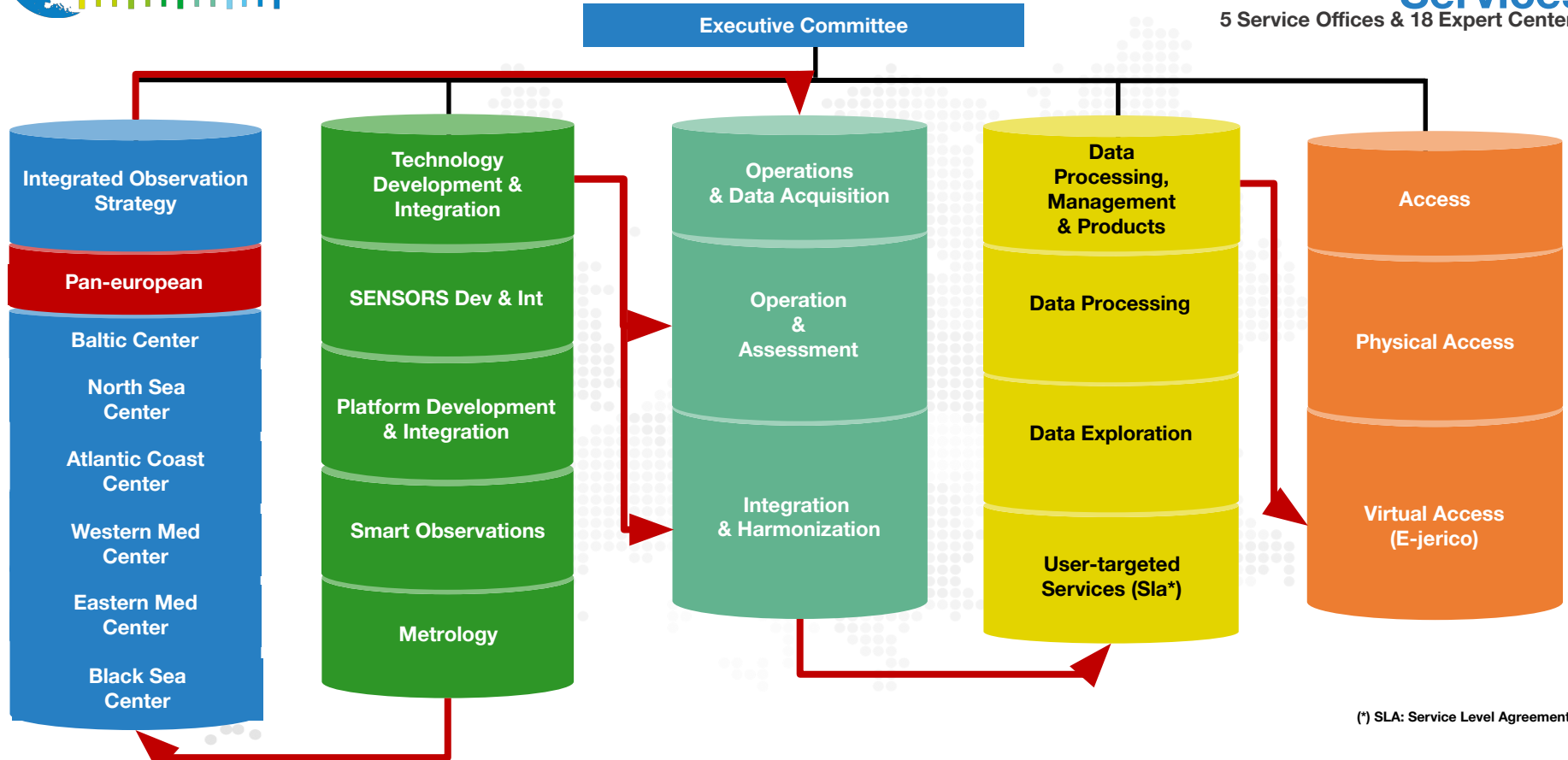
Operation

Service Offices

ACCESS OFFICE

Dynamic Service Management





(*) SLA: Service Level Agreement

Technology Development & Integration Office

Expert Centers

Metrology & Calval

Platforms & Sensor Package

Smart Observations

Sensors

Services

Optical Sensor Calibration

PTC Sensor Calibration

Ok

Cegim

Psp, Wasp, Acobs

Ferrybox, Hf-radar,
Gliders, Moorings,
Drones,

IoT-enabled AI
STEERING

Automated
Systems & Robotics

Navigation In The
Coastal Ocean
Environment

Low Cost Solutions
For Citizen Science

Genomics

CONTAMINANTS
(Plastics, HM,
Pharmaceuticals)

Bgc

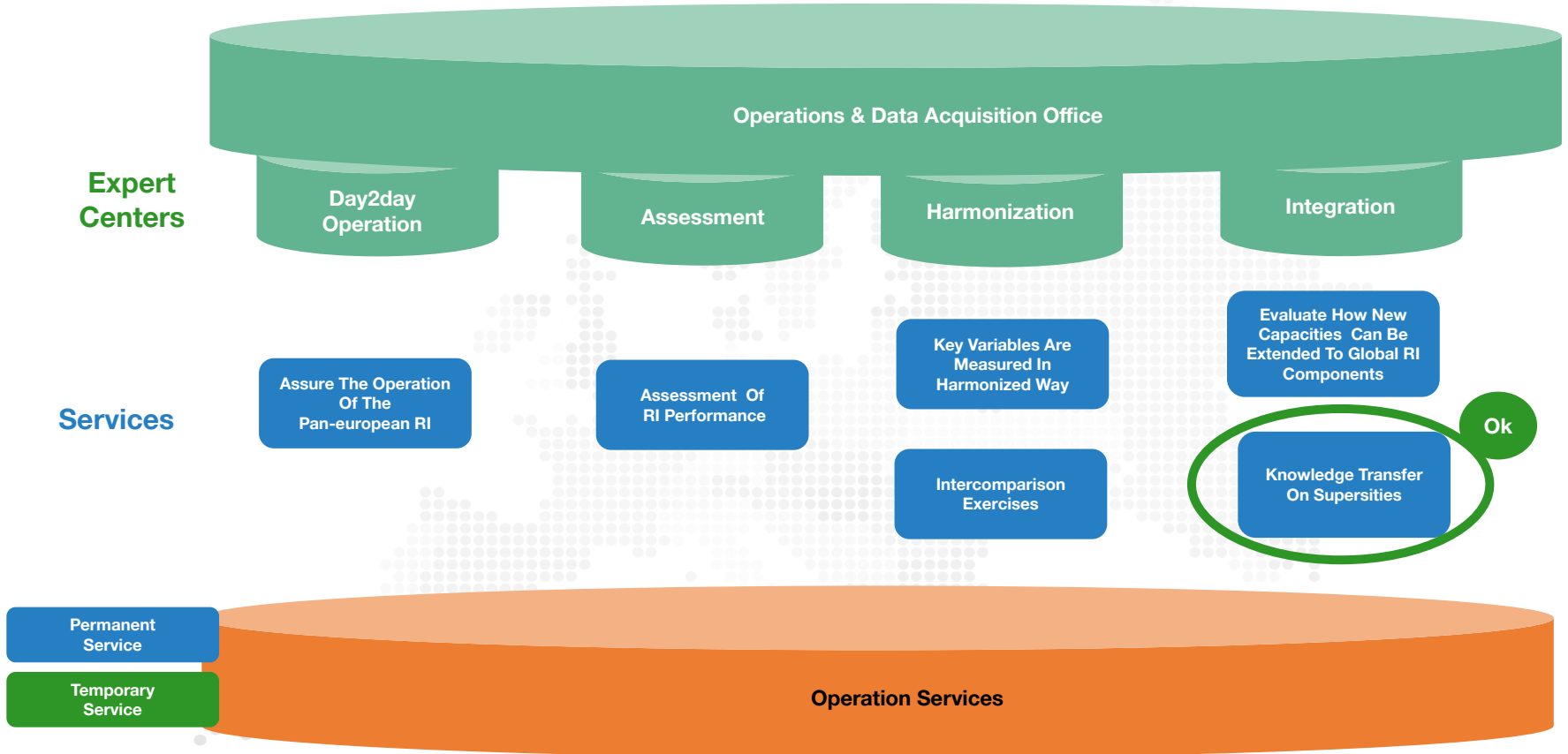
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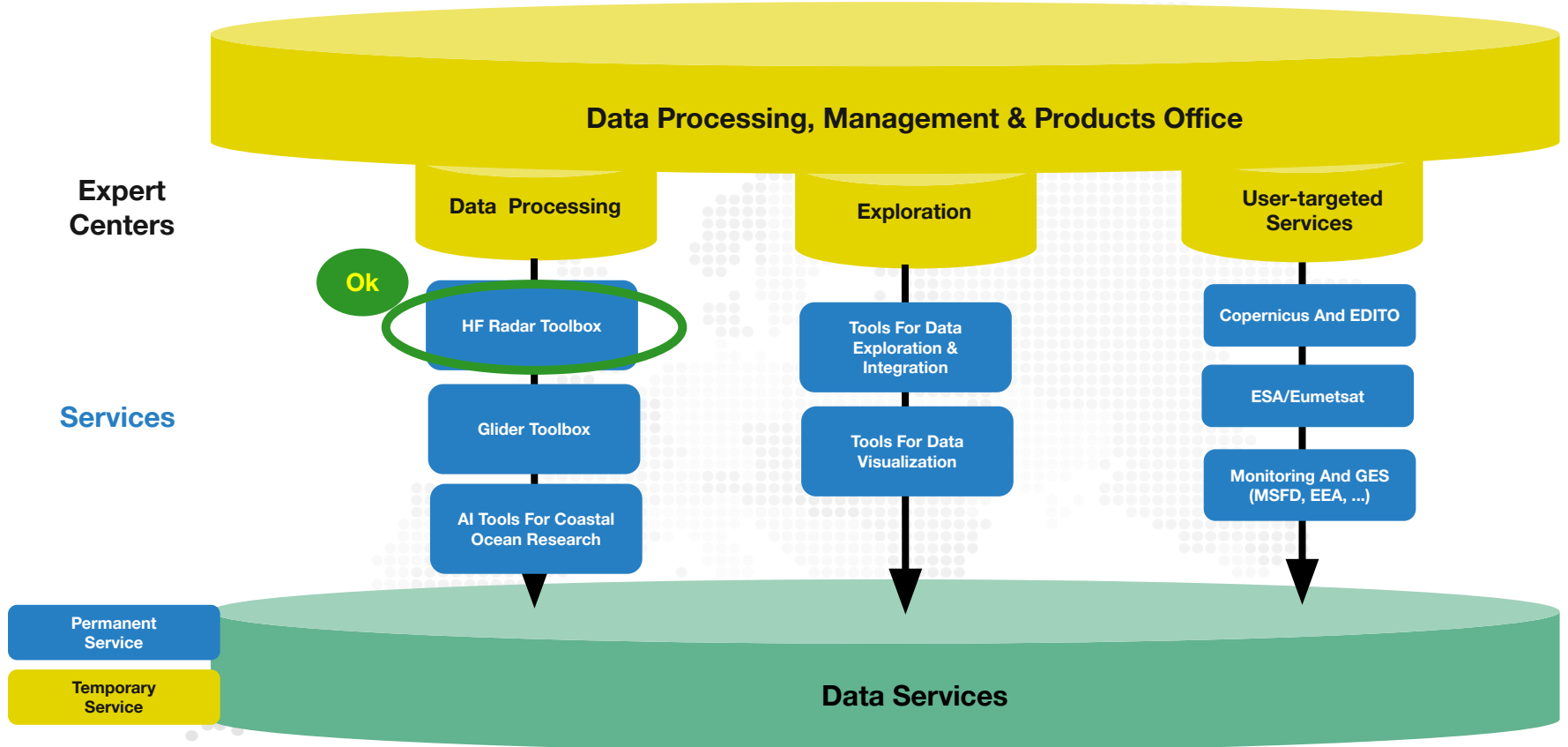
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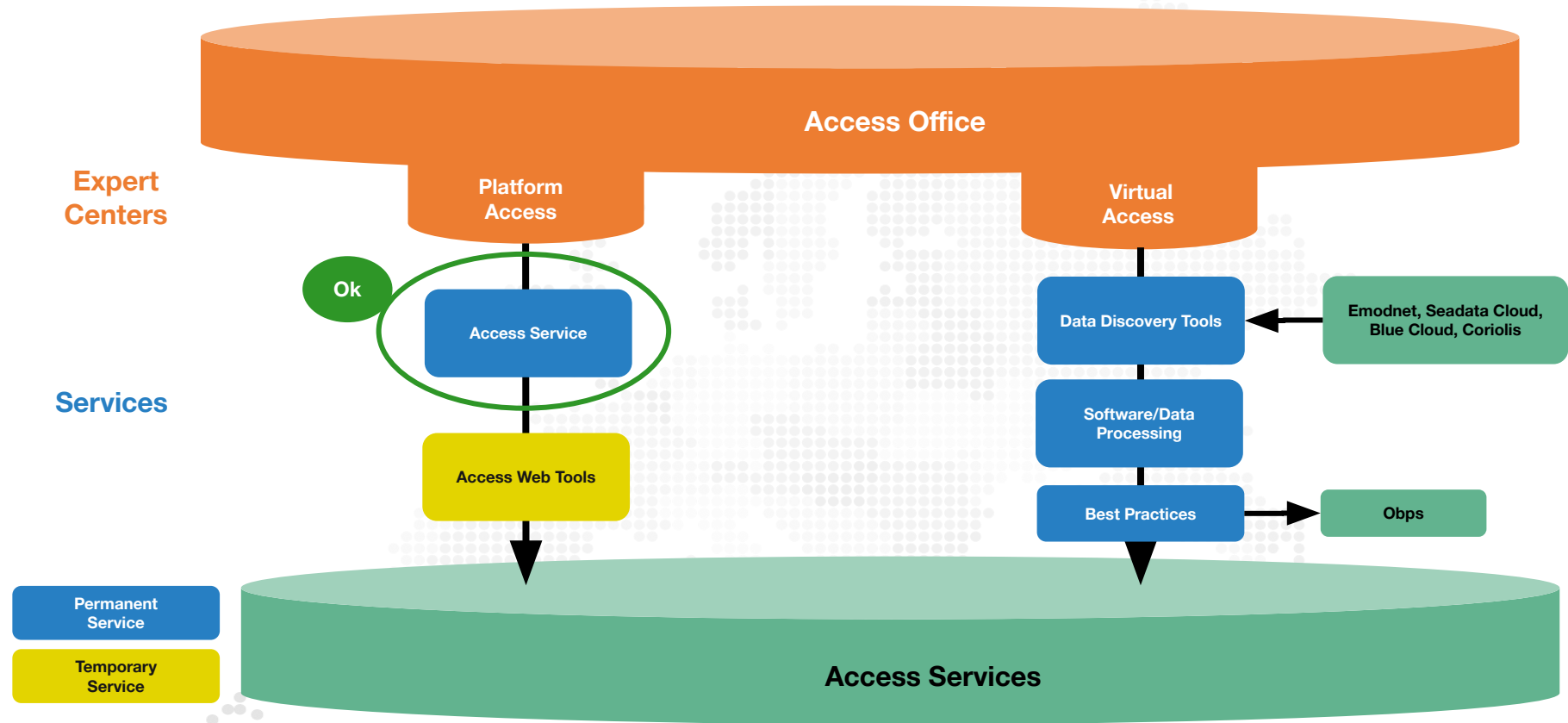
Permanent Service

Temporary Service

Technological Services







Governance: The system by which an organization makes and implements decisions to achieve its goals.

Assembly of members: One representative from each member state (the national delegate) that may be accompanied by one or more advisors. The national delegate is appointed by the member state.

Scientific, Technical and Ethical Advisory Committee: A collegial body appointed according to specific rules to provide advices to JERICO's governing bodies. The AC is an independent body. The AC is appointed by the assembly of members following the proposal of the ExCo.

Director General: The legally responsible Head of JERICO-RI appointed by the assembly of members for a fixed period.

Executive Committee: A collegial body including the Nation Infrastructure Representative elected from their national peers, according to specific rules & offices managers, for the operation and management of the JERICO-RI.

Office: Performs the managerial function of planning, organizing, directing and controlling (an office can be distributed or centralized).

Central Management Office: Performs the administrative functions of JERICO-RI (legal, contract, financial accounting, HR, etc).

Each Service Office manages different Expert Centres all related to one area of service.

Expert Centre: A group experts responsible for discussion and strategy within some specific key scientific or technological domains, needed for activities and the generation and operation of specific centers. An expert center can be virtual or physical.

Services: Actions and activities carried out for the benefit of targeted users and providing assistance to these users. They can be internal if addressing internal needs of the JERICORI or external when addressing JERICORI external user needs.



The highest level of governance in JERICO-RI will be the **Assembly of Members** who have the ultimate decision making powers of JERICO-RI.

The Assembly of Members will be advised by the **Scientific, Technical and Ethical Advisory Committee** of independent experts.

The **Director General** will report to the **Assembly of Members** on the strategic, scientific, legal, financial and operational aspects of JERICO-RI.

The Director General will be supported in these activities by the **JERICO-RI Central Management Office** which performs the administrative functions of JERICO-RI (legal & contract, financial accounting, HR services, etc)

The Executive Committee will be responsible for the operation and management of JERICO-RI and report to the **Director General**.

The Executive Committee will also be supported by the **Central Management Office**.

The operations and management of JERICO-RI that the **Executive Committee** are responsible for are the **Offices providing the JERICO-RI Services**.

The **Executive Committee** has the power to establish or discontinue an **Office** subject to the agreement of the **Assembly of Members**.

The **Executive Committee** will be composed of one “**Head of Country**” delegate appointed by each **Member State** and one delegate elected from **each Office**.



Each **Services Office** will consist of one or more **Expert Centres**.

Each **Services Office** has the power to establish or discontinue an **Expert Centre** under its control subject to the agreement of the **Executive Committee**.

Each **Office** will elect one delegate to the **Executive Committee** from amongst its membership to represent the Office's interests.

Each **Expert Centre** will provide one or more **Services**.

Each **Expert Centre** has the power to establish or discontinue a **Service** subject to the agreement of the relevant **Office**.

Reminder: Ultimately JERICO-RI will be governed at the highest level by the **Member States** that have joined JERICO-RI.

The **governance system** that each **Member States** adopts internally is a matter for each individual **Member State**.

1. Each **Member State** appoints a **national delegate** to the **Assembly of Members**.
2. It is proposed that each **Member State** appoints one **“Head of Country”** delegate as its country’s representative to the **JERICO-RI Executive Committee**.
3. It is proposed that each **Member State** also appoints at least one **delegate** to each **Office**.