OBS activities in Ireland

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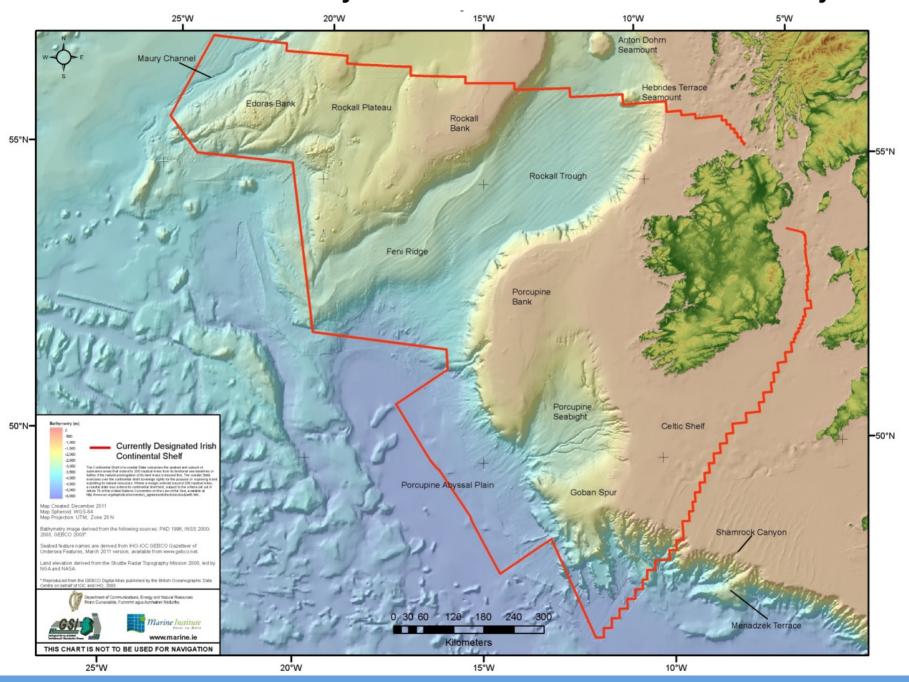
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Ireland has a vast marine territory: size ≈ land mass of France + Germany combined



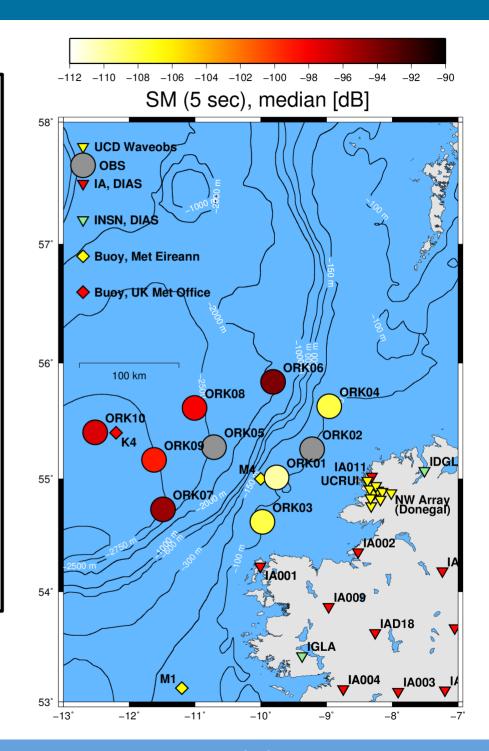
1st broadband OBS in Irish waters:

NEAMS project
(NorthEast Atlantic MicroSeism)

Jan – Aug 2016

collaboration with P. Jousset (GFZ)

10 x broadband lobster, AWI



Establishment of a mobile broadband OBS pool in Ireland:

iMARL Insitu Marine Laboratory for Geosystems Research infrastructure fund by Science Foundation Ireland (SFI), 3 million €

18 x broadband OBS1 x permanent OBS2 x tsunameters2 x 15 acoustic sensors

study of:

- microseism sources
- sea-floor stability
- sub-surface imaging
- ocean-seafloor interactions
- seismicity
- bioacoustic sensing

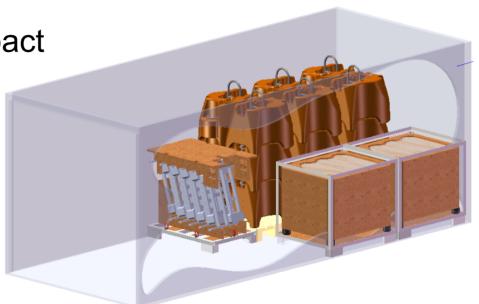


OBS pool: 18 broadband OBS from K.U.M., type NAMMU (delivery expected Dec. 2017)

- Sensor: Nanometrics Trillium Compact
- Data Logger K.U.M. 6D6
- Hydrophone: HighTech HTI-04
- Maximum operation depth 6,000m



- Size: 64 cm × 77 cm × 80 cm w×h×d
- Weight with anchor: 205 kg (without 155 kg)



NAMMU OBS

- Nanometrics Trilium Compact:
 - -120 s 50 Hz
 - 180 mW





- 4 seismic channels
- internal SD card
- hot-plug "StiK"
- 125mW





-100 s - 8 kHz



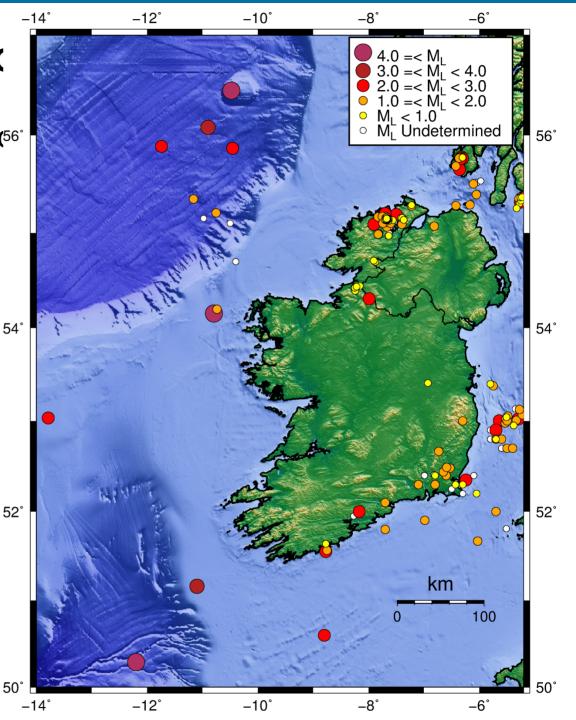


First deployment: SEA-SEIS, (

"Structure, evolution and seismicse"

PI: Sergei Lebedev (DIAS)

- structure and evolution of the lithosphere and underlying mantle
- lithospheric-scale evolution of resource-rich offshore basins
- detection and location of enigmatic seismicity west of Ireland

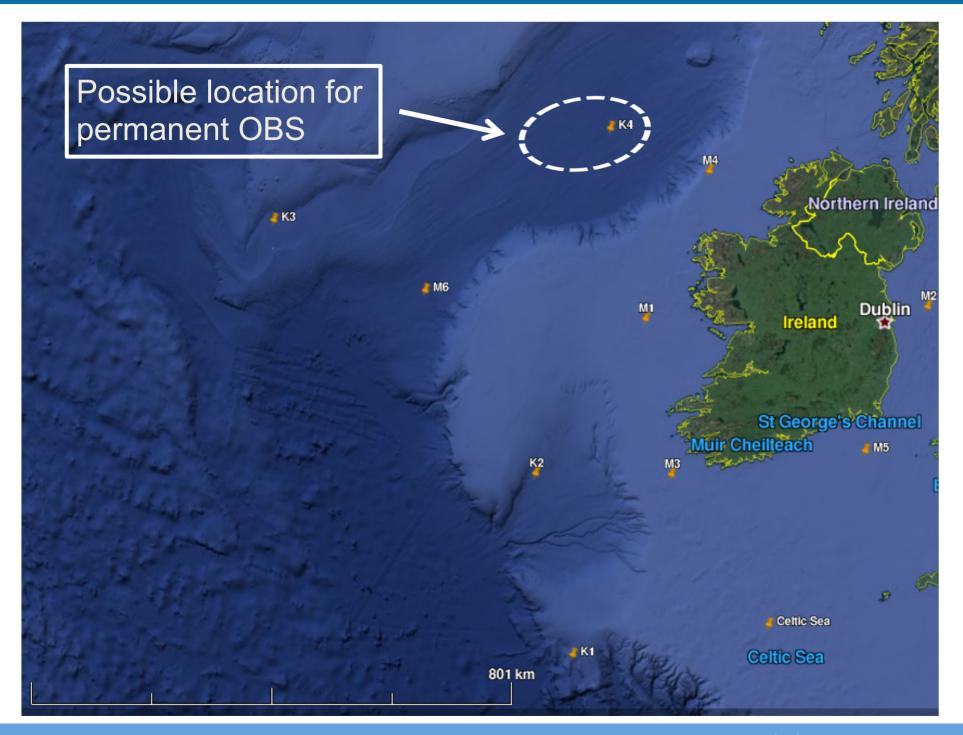


Guralp "new Libor" with re-packaged Maris seismometer (to be ordered soon)

- Maris
 - 120 s to 100 Hz
 - better performance than 40T (-165dB at 10 s)
 - can operate at any angle
- Libor:
 - free-fall
 - Minimus recorder with event detector
 - APG: Paroscientific Digiquartz
 - acoustic modem for sending event data to buoy
- Buoy infrastructure:
 - satellite terminal with tracking motor
 - Minimus recorder/PC







tender just published for:

- ~15 x broadband hydrophones
 - equivalent to HTI-04



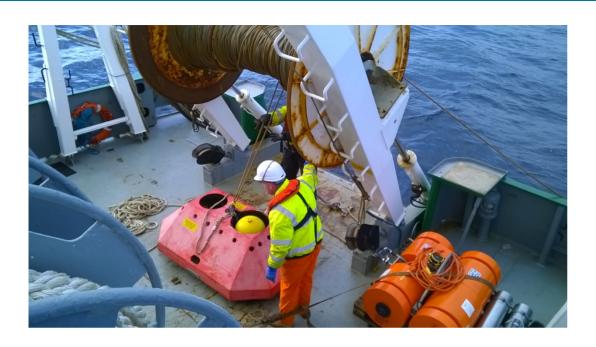
- 5 x absolute pressure sensor
 - equivalent to Paroscientific Digiquartz



- 1 x tsunameter
 - equivalent to Paroscientific Digiquartz incl. comms capability
- ~15 x high-frequency hydrophones, for cetacean studies
 - eg. Wildlife Acoustics "Song Meter"
 - up to 48kHz



Platforms to be designed in cooperation with National University of Ireland, Galway (NUIG)

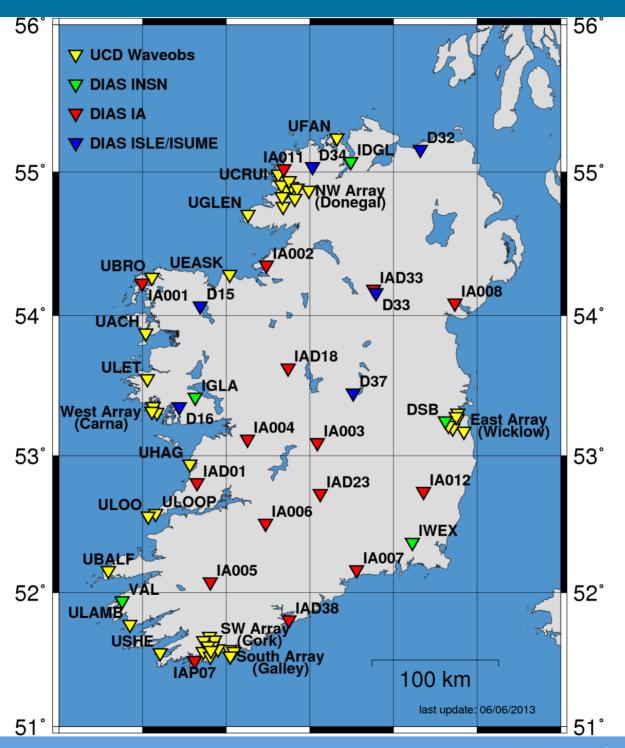


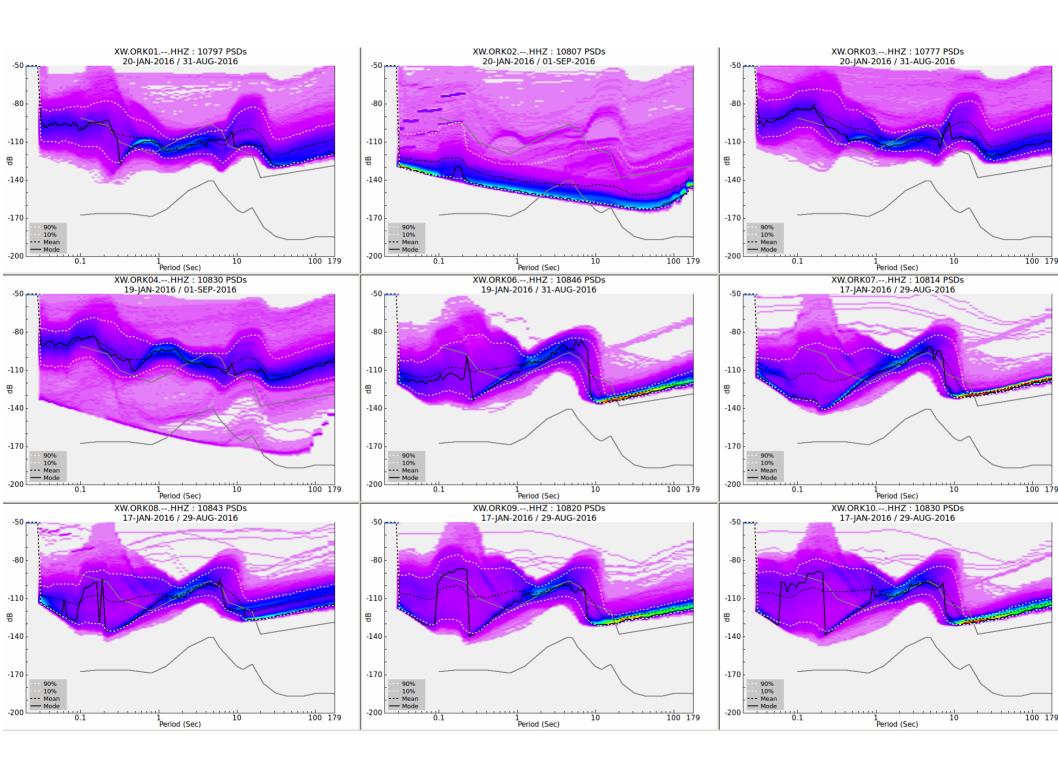
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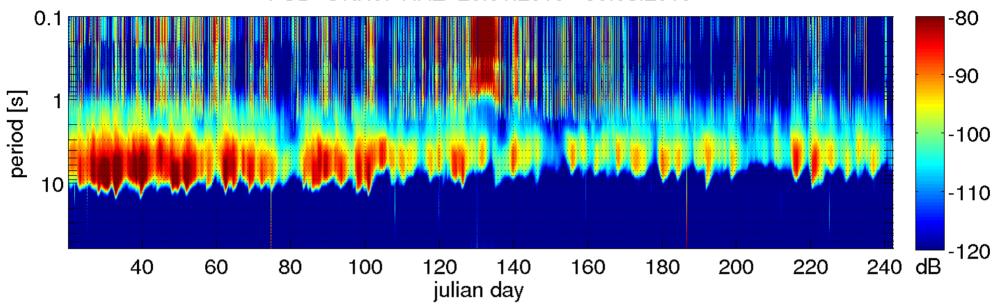
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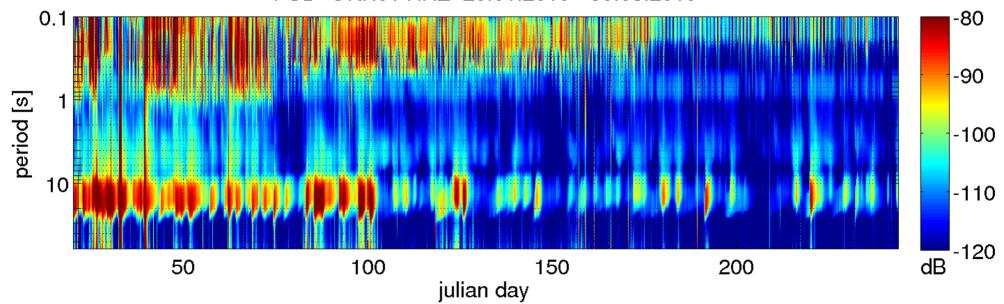


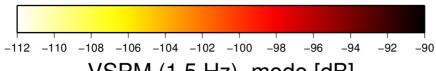


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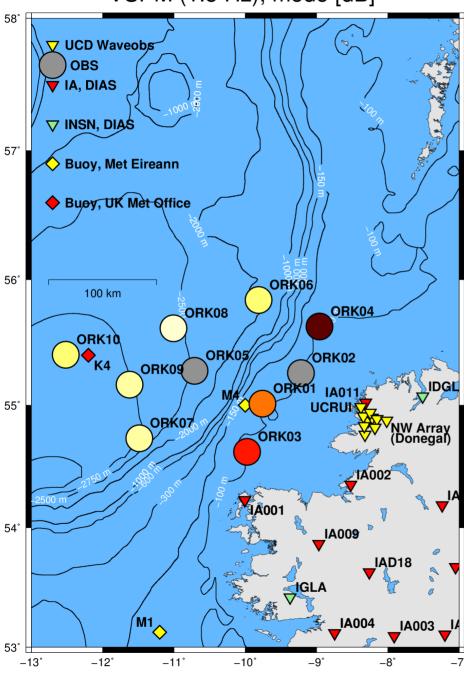


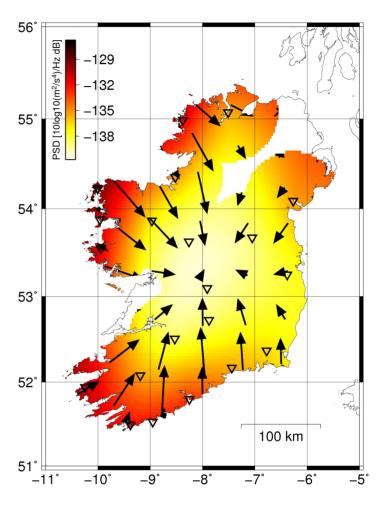


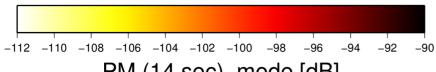




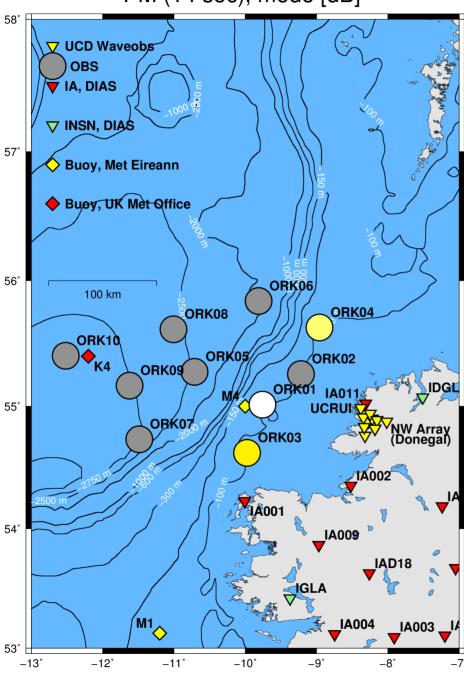
VSPM (1.5 Hz), mode [dB]

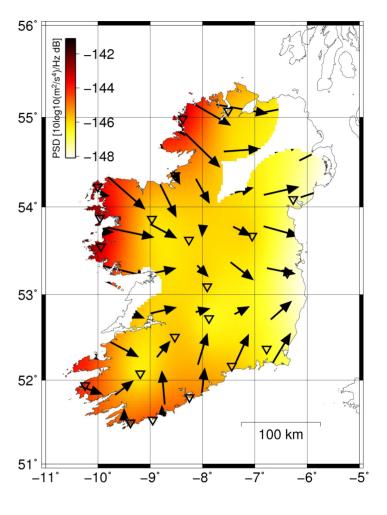




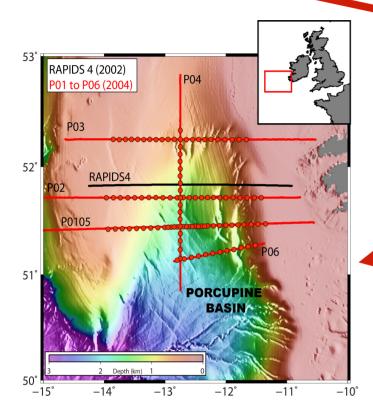


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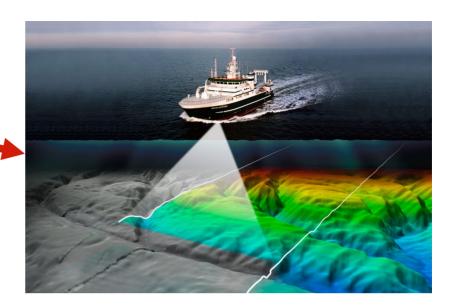




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short period OBS refraction lines (and commercial reflection seismic lines)

