

**MCGS project website opening: <http://www.mcgs.fr>**

We are pleased to announce the first release of the MCGS project web site. Any request or remarks about the project can be sent to [contact@mcgs.fr](mailto:contact@mcgs.fr).

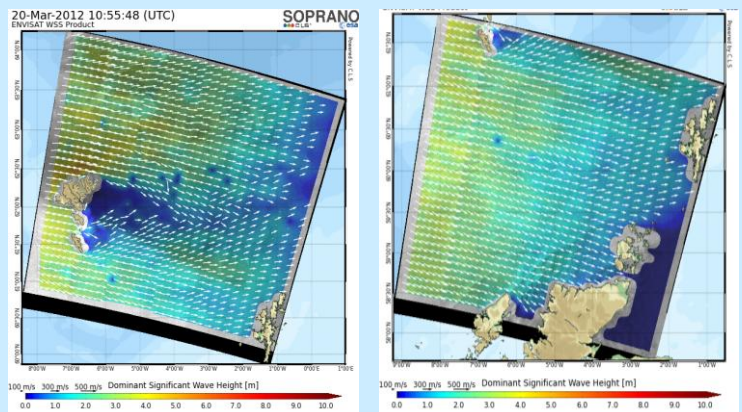


**Wind, waves and current products and services**

The MCGS processing platform dedicated to Wind, waves and currents addresses a multitude of needs such as supporting the offshore industries to plan their work at sea, supporting model validation by meteorological and research institutes, and the optimal selection of maritime areas for their renewable energy resource potential.

This platform will benefit from the just-launched consultation phase to help define new products, with respect to those of the demonstration website <http://soprano.cls.fr/>.

The figure below shows two ASAR-IMS swell fields (L2 products) where island shadowing is clearly detected. Such products will be available in all acquisition modes with the Sentinel-1 data.



**User needs survey – Contribute and get free service access during the demonstration phase in 2014 !**

All the companies and institutes dealing with the maritime environment are invited to fill out the MCGS survey questionnaire available online at <http://www.mcgs.fr>. The goal is to take inventory of needs for marine surveillance in order to prototype efficient space-based solutions for the Sentinels.

Indicative list of potential MCGS users:

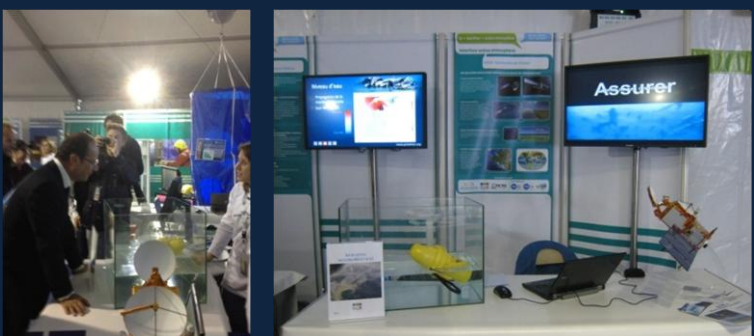
- Aquaculture (oyster farms, salmon farms...)
- Energy (wind farms, gas and petrol offshore)
- Transport (security at sea...) and tourism (water quality)
- Services to local authorities (water agencies)
- Governmental and intergovernmental agencies (common marine resources, marine safety, ...)

**Participants will be offered a free access to the MCGS services during the demonstration phase in 2014.**

**Thank you for spending a few minutes on the survey, and forwarding it to your other users !**

**Toulouse Space Show 2012**, the international week on space applications took place in Toulouse on June 25-28. The objective of this year's event was to enable developers of solutions and Space applications to discuss ideas with users and imagine with them the solutions and services of the future.

MCGS was represented in the 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Space Applications (one talk in the Oceanic Services session). MCGS project partners also had different talks in several sessions. The Oceanic Services session was well attended, with interesting questions and positive feedback.



French President François Hollande at the MCGS booth discussing with Vinca Rosmorduc (CLS) during the « Tonnerres de Brest » event

For the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brest maritime festivals, now named "**Tonnerres de Brest**", a marine science village hosted different organizations and companies studying the ocean and delivering oceanic services. The objective was to promote the different activities taking place around Brest about marine sciences and technologies, with a focus on "which ocean for tomorrow". An MCGS booth was part of this village, with different information and posters.