BOOS Annual Meeting 2014

Member report

Country	ESTONIA
Institution(s)	Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu
Observations Status and new initiatives	A proposal was presented to Estonian-Swiss Programm to fund a profiling buoy for collecting bio-optical data for operative monitoring of water properties in order to provide near real time data for cal/val of satellite products and different studies on coastal ecology. A co-funding application submitted to Estonian Environmental Investment Centre. The Estonian-Swiss Programm decision is positive, co-funding decision still pending. EMI acquired and airborne hyperspectral remote sensing instrument HySpex that is installed in Estonian Land Board mapping aircraft and can be used for different marine applications.
Modelling Status and new initiatives	
Dissemination Status and new initiatives	A cyanobacterial bloom monitoring application was made available through EMI GIS-server (http://loch.ness.sea.ee/gisservices/flex3/sinikud/). The algorithms and methodology was developed based on MERIS data. Unfortunately MERIS is not operational any more and its follow-up mission (OLCI on Sentinel-3) will not be launched before 2015. Therefore, this application will remain inactive in summer 2014.
Relevant national projects	Estonian Environmental Investment Centre funded a project for developing methods for detection and quantitative mapping of cyanobacterial blooms
Relevant International projects	
Additional information	