#### SDB Satellite Derived Bathymetry

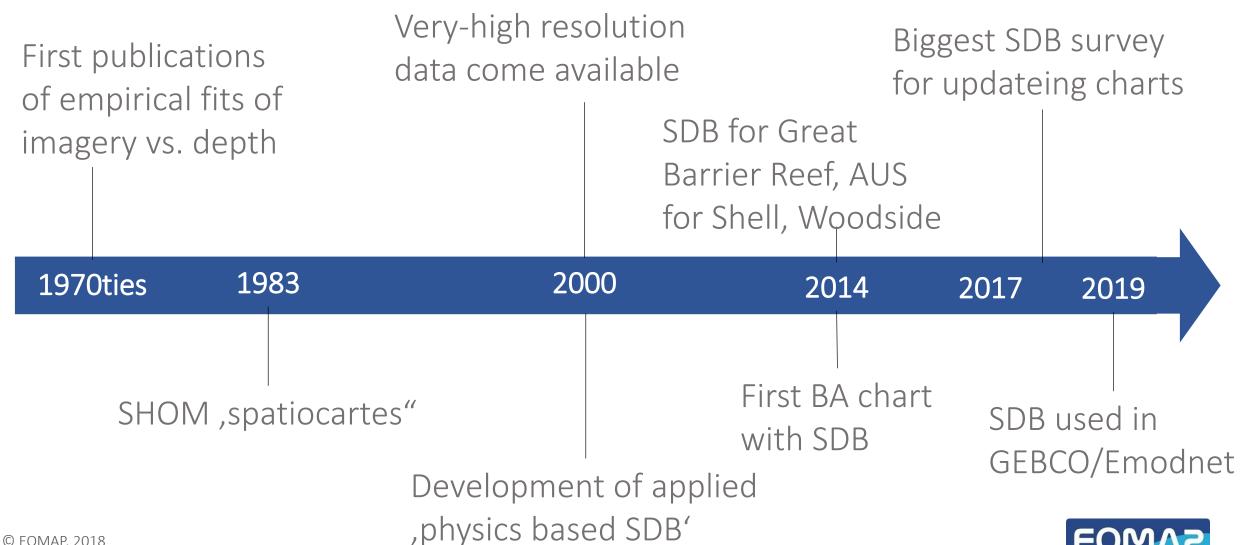
Capacity Building | Training | Certification

Why & How

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# Satellite-Derived Bathymetry: Evolving technology



# SDB mapping projects: past 2 years 2017/2018

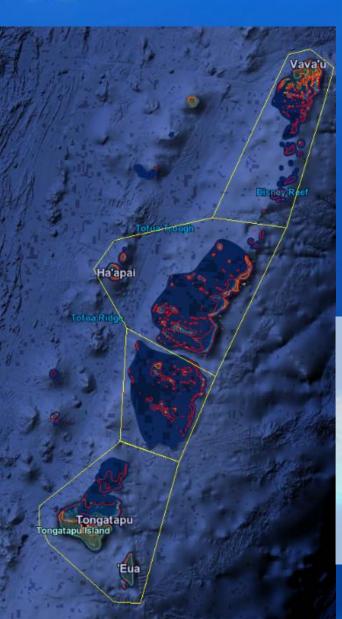




# Satellite-Derived Bathymetry for industry applications

Can our csd Athena enter the area safely? Self-propelled cutter suction dredger Athena:

# Integrated survey for Tonga (and surrounding)



Total area: 400,000 sq km,

SDB area: approx 6,500 sq km shallow water mapped for

LINZ (NZ Hydrographic Office)

Objective: Bathymetric surveys to update nautical

Team: Ixsurvey (acoustic and ALB), EOMAP (SDB)

#### Role of SDB

#### Reconnaissance

various SDB approaches depending on quality requirements

#### Independent mapping capability

for unsurveyed, outdated or remote areas for highest quality requirements, independent level of confidence



Good reasons to update charts now

implement ,best data available'

expand portfolio of survey tools



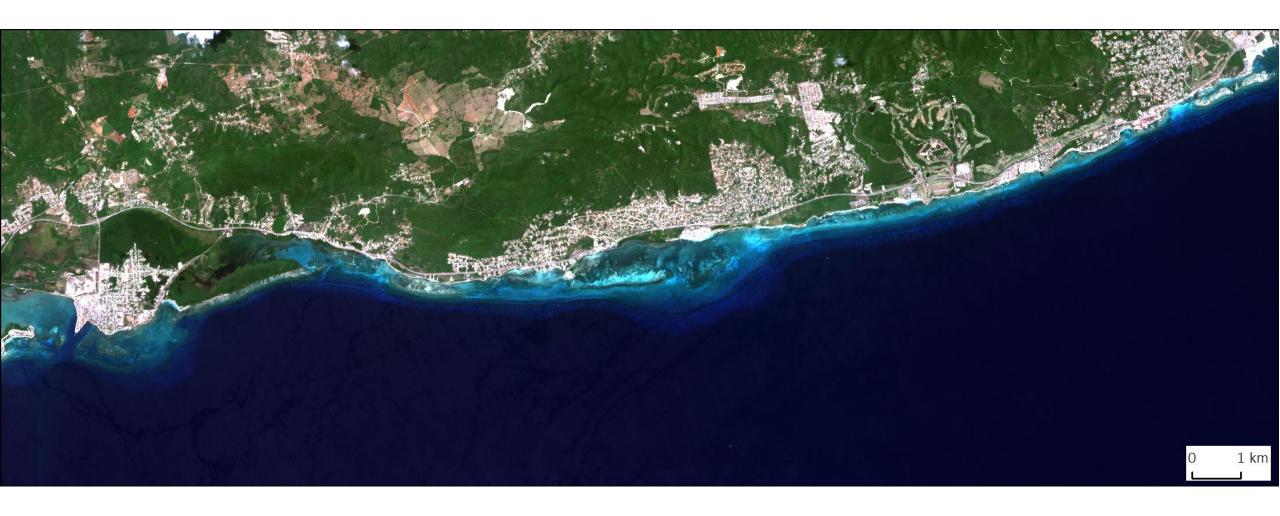
#### SDB

now established and under control?

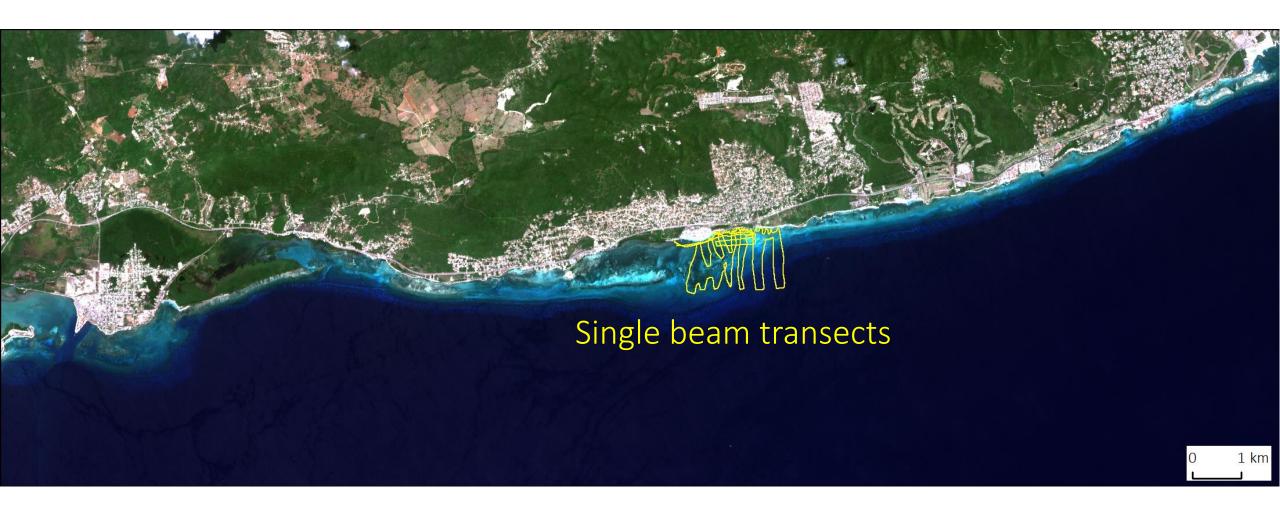
Contracted or in-house production standards available?

Capacity building & training required to increase transparency and take-up on SDB data

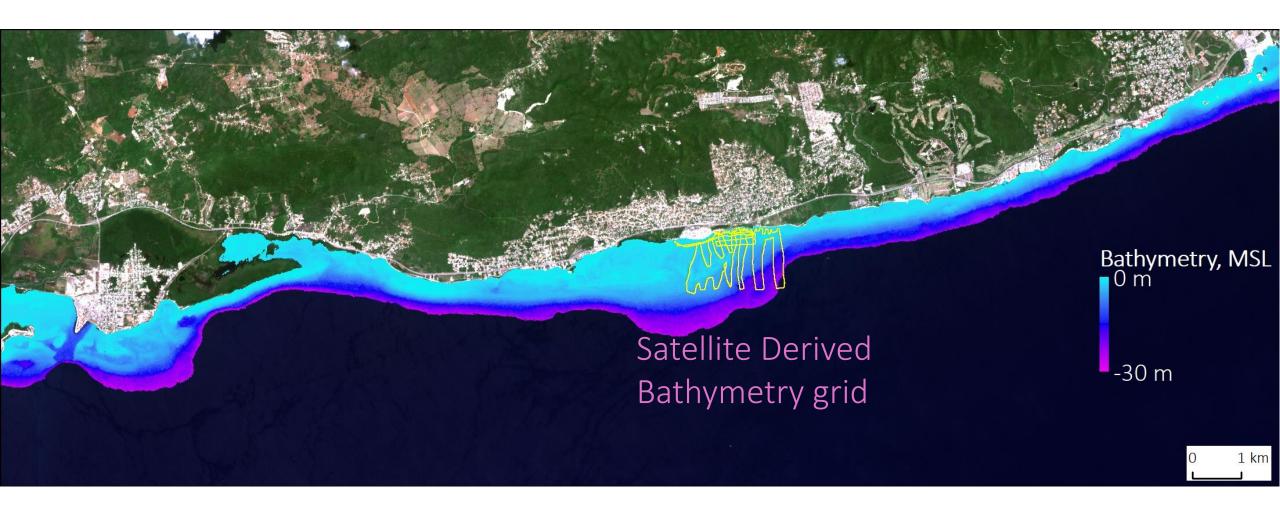




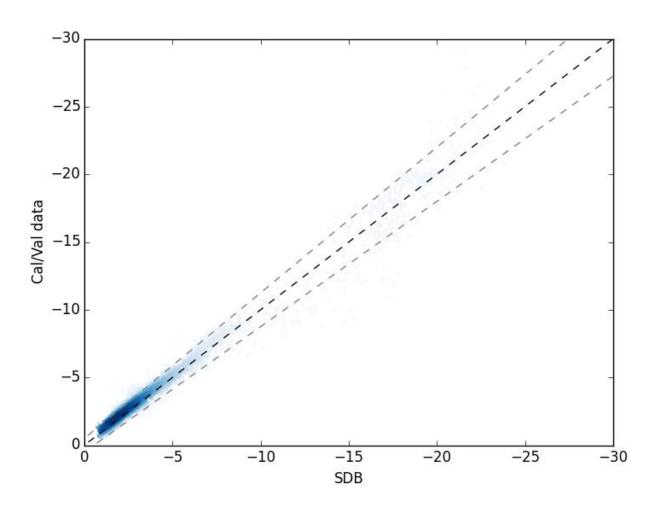






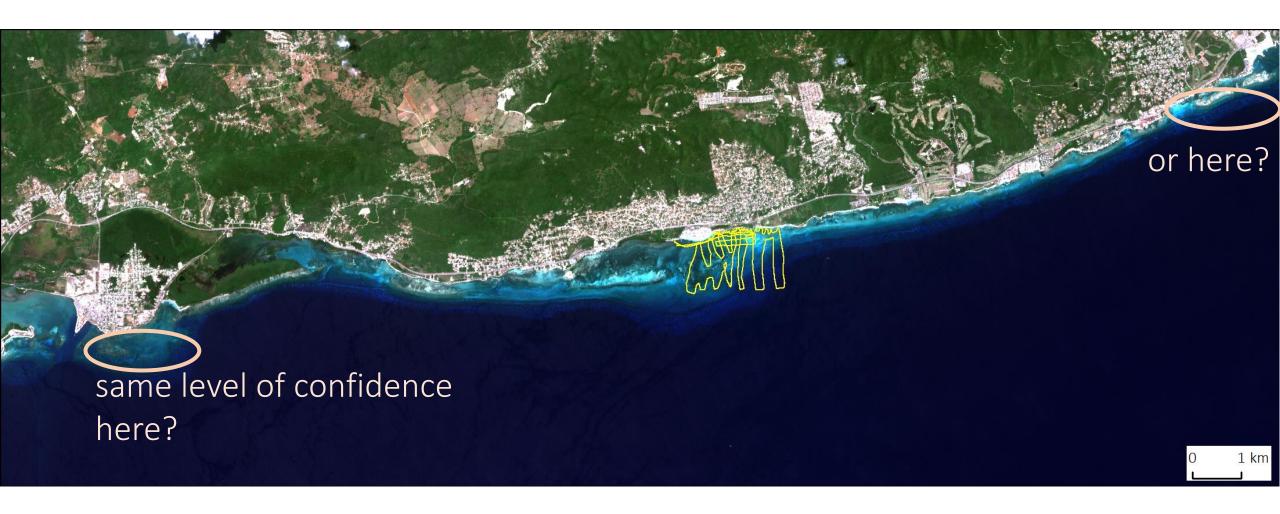






90% of SDB data within 50cm accuracy compared to single beam transects







# Exemplary QA/QC processing steps

#### Pre-processing

Selection of appropriate satellite and/or airborne sensors
Selection of appropriate recording / environmental condition (geometry, season, ..) and scene(s)

#### Post-processing:

Tidal effects

Horizontal displacement with water depth through water refraction

Data cleaning: Manual / semi-automated interpretation

Cal/Val process if in-situ data are accessible

Creation of ISO conform metadata

#### • Image data processing: corrections and QC procedures

Classification of area of interest into land, cloud, water, breaking waves, ....

Correction of effects of atmosphere

Correction of effects of adjacency effects

Correction of effects of sunglitter

Correction of effects of water absorbers and backscatter

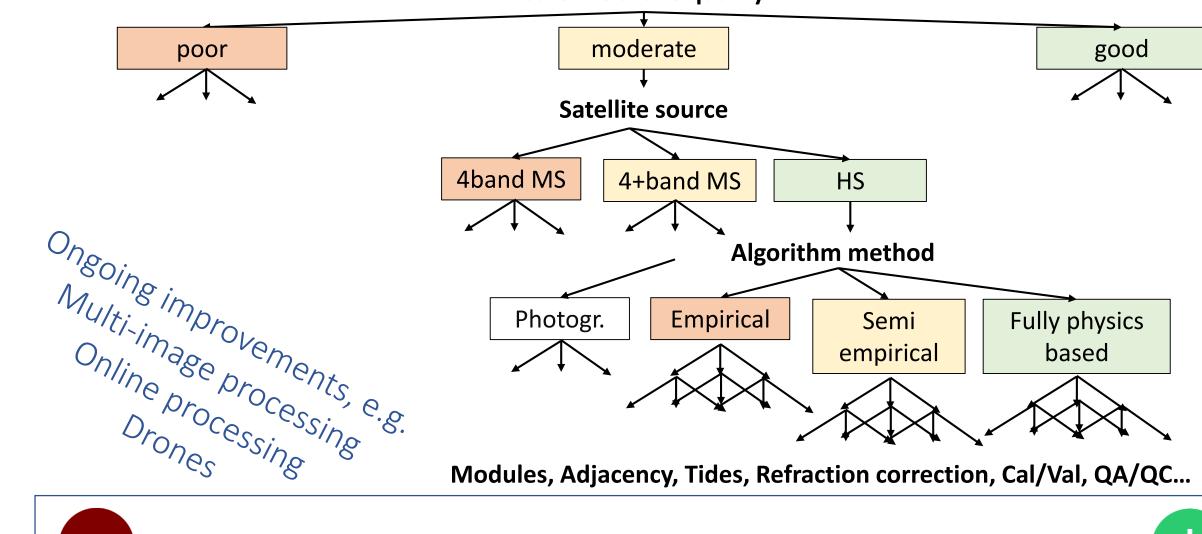
Coupled seafloor albedo and water column thickness calculation



Error propagation, uncertainty processing

# Term SDB: Diversity of approaches

#### **Satellite scene quality**





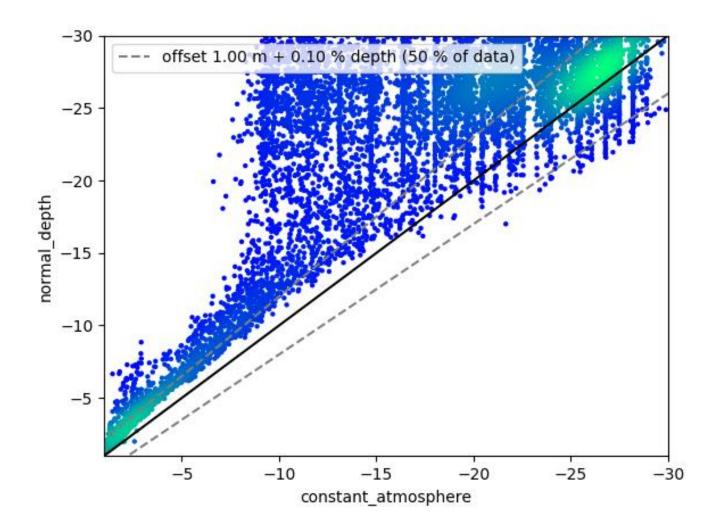






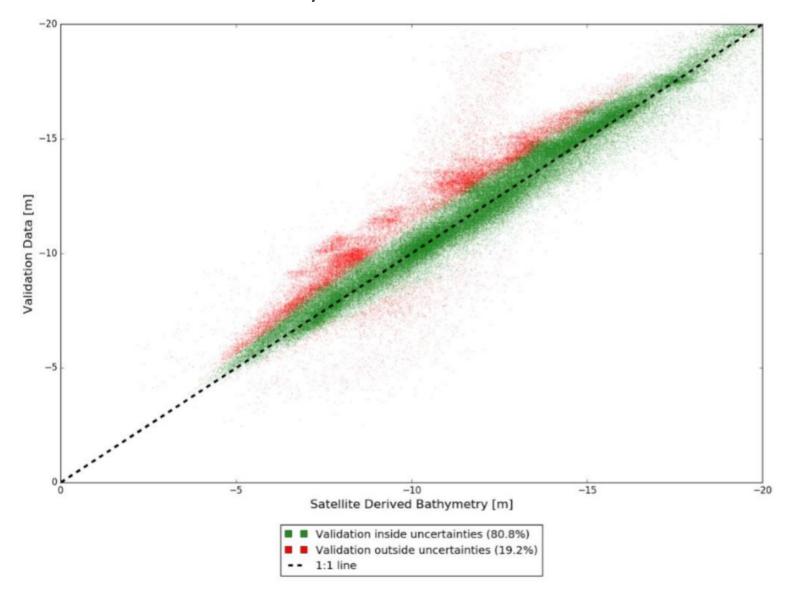
#### Strong impact of various quality assurance mechanisms, e.g.:

Atmospheric correction AC: Fixed AC conditions versus variable AC retrieval





# Demand to improve QA mechanisms for e.g. independent uncertainty & zone of confidence calculation





#### SDB for hydrographers

#### Capacity building & training

Best practices: methods & strength/weakness Relevant QA-procedures, production guidelines

Standards

Standards reflecting SDB characteristics – now & in future



## SDB capacity building | training | certification

Introductions IHO & Regional Commissions e.g. NIOHC, EAHC, SWPHC

SDB day's 2018 / 2019 / 202 HO's, industry, provider, RND **Understanding &** Exchange



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**Standards** 

Supporting IHO in HSPT3, GEBCO / Seabed 2030

Ausseabed etc.

**Training** 

SDB production and integration training

eLearning: Online processing course & support

Certification

SDB Qualification levels for hydrographers

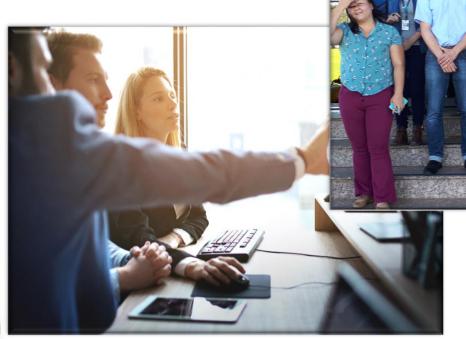


## Hands-on workshops, building in-house capabilities

e.g. June 2018 Germany, Watcor-X May 2019 Australia, 2019 Brazil eoLytics training

Watcor-X stand-alone processing software





#### eoLytics:

cloud based SDB-light

Water quality, other EO products



#### SDB training for remote hydrographers through CBSC

Experience and transparency on all SDB levels for HO's

Day 1 – Introduction (lectures and discussion)

Day 2 – SDB data processing: training session 1 (mixed lecture and hands-on)

Day 3 – SDB data processing: training session 2 (hands on, exercises, uncertainties)

Day 4 – SDB data processing: training session 3



## SDB data processing and QA workshop 2019



#### Technical workshop:

sensors, algorithms, QA, Uncertainties, object and seabed detection

#### Training course:

hands-on software training, postprocessing, assessment of uncertainties *Physics based, empirical, photogram.* 

Date:

8-10<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Location:

Munich/Seefeld, Germany

Registration:

Register at info@eomap.com



# Certification for remote hydrographers

Level 1 Implementing

Approaches, best practices & application range

Standards & QA requirements

Level 2 **Production** 

Production and QA basics

for all main SDB approaches

Production of independent SDB, advanced QC &

confidence levels, SDB Trainer





