



Geoswath Plus Compact 2014-2016





Interferometric Sonar



An interferometric sonar can be considered a **multi-stave side scan**, collecting a wide swath of **bathymetry up to 12 times depth and sonar amplitude data**, with the angle of arrival of the seabed returns determined by **phase comparison** between the receive staves





Geoswath Plus Compact



The Interferometric Sonar Geoswath Plus, is a very useful tool for shallow waters where the Special Order is required.





Geoswath Plus Compact



IHM: owns three Geoswath Plus Compact (one 250 KHz and two 500 KHz)





Geoswath Plus Compact



- **TWO TRANSDUCERS IN A SINGLE-HEAD SYSTEM.**
- **EACH TRANSDUCER: 5 CERAMIC STAVES. 1 TO TX, 4 TO RX.**
- **FIELD OF VIEW: 240 ° (VERTICAL) AND 0,5° (HORIZONTAL TWO WAY BEAM).**
- **EFFECTIVE HORIZONTAL RANGE FOR BATHYMETRY: UP TO 8 TIMES DEPTH (IHO SPECIAL ORDER)**



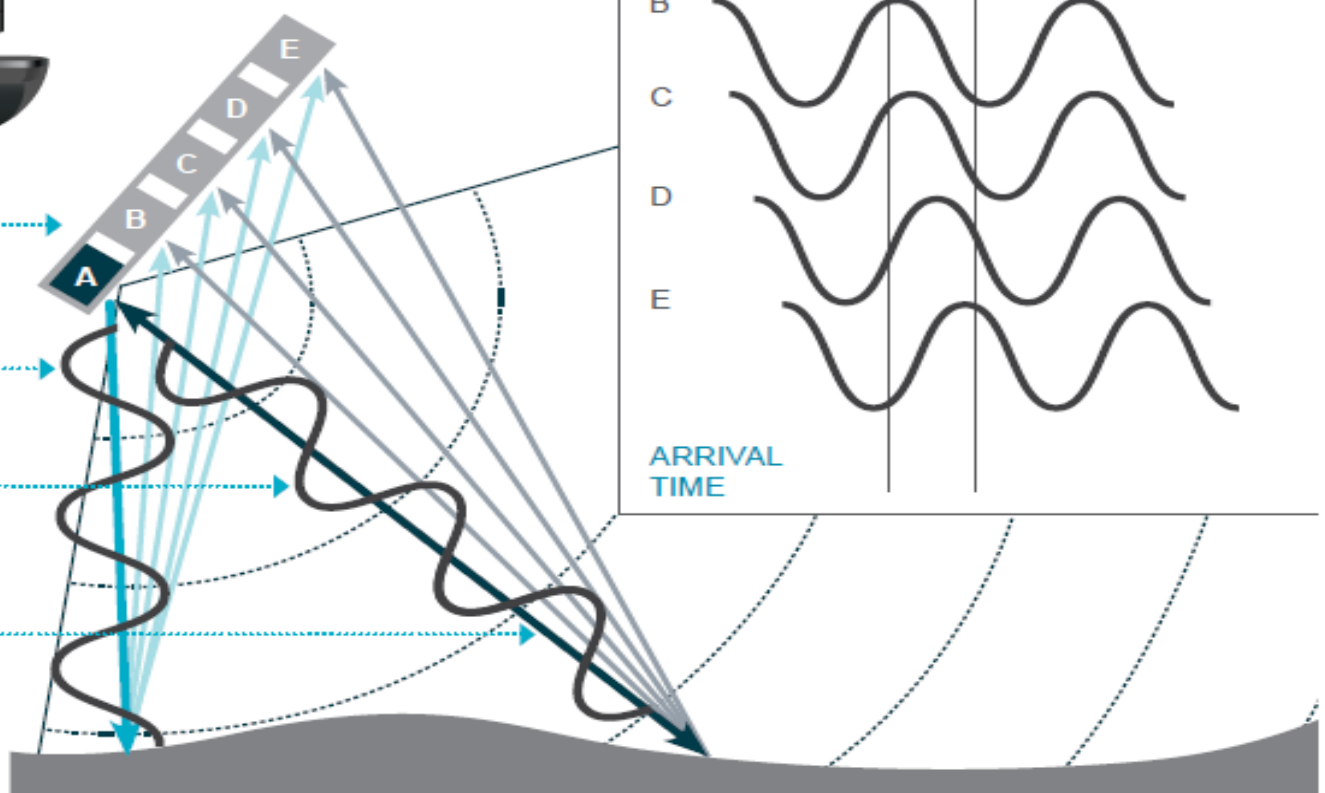


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DUAL TRANSDUCER HEAD

Phase Measuring Bathymetric Sonar Technology



ANGLE
RANGE
PHASE DIFFERENCE

ARRIVAL TIME

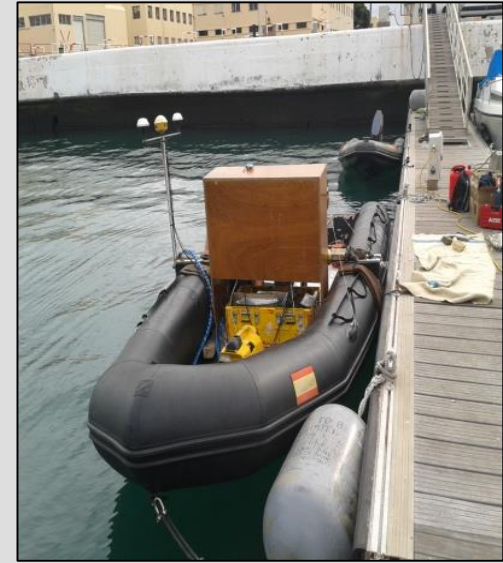
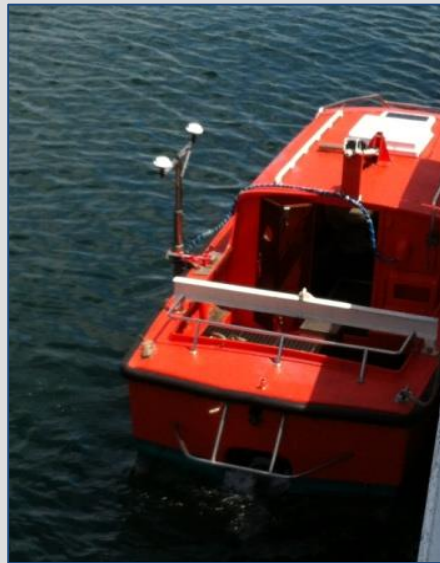




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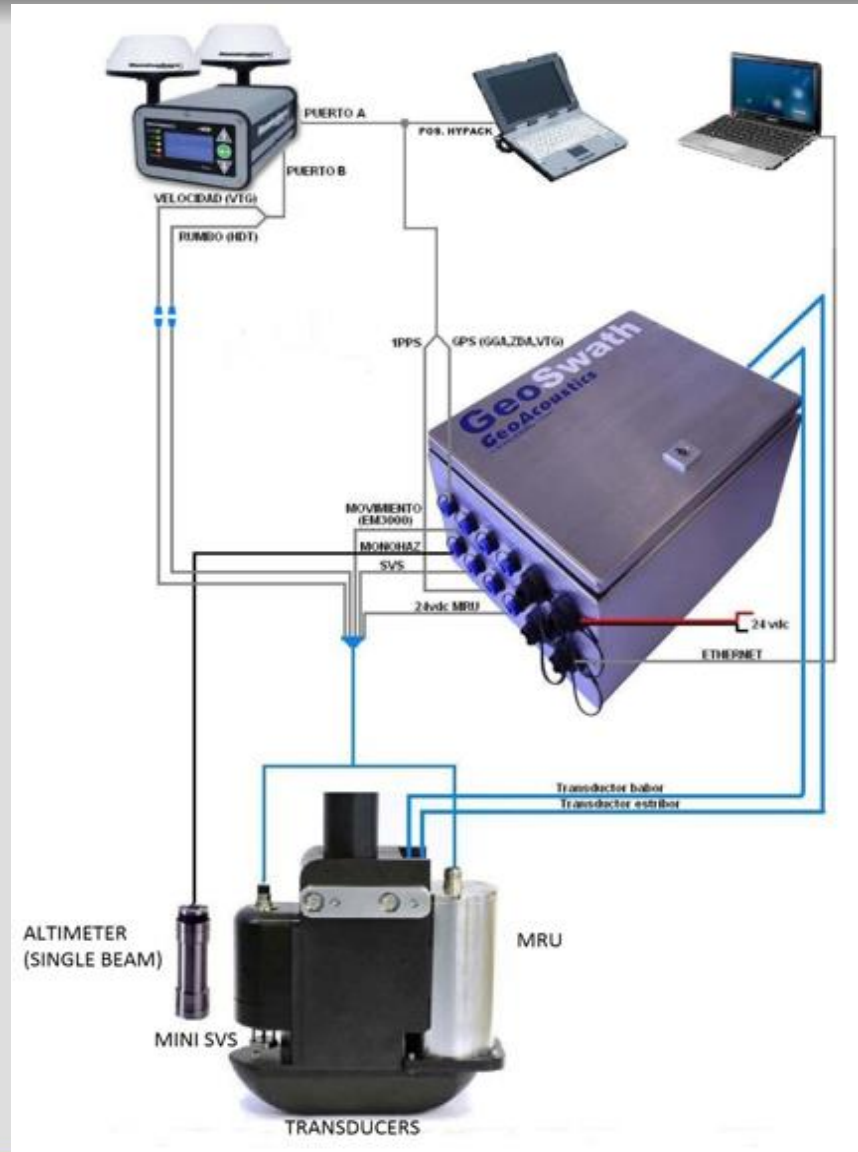


- **DEPLOYED OVER-THE-SIDE POOL MOUNTED IN VESSELS OF OPPORTUNITY**





Geoswath Plus Set-Up





Geoswath : Advantages



- **HIGH PERFORMANCE:** in very shallow waters, in comparison to a multibeam (for example below 10 meters “8x GS vs 4x Multibeam”).
- **GEO-REFERENCED SIDE SCAN SONAR** for a reliable bottom classification and object detection.



Geoswath : Disadvantages



- **NOT HIGH DATA COVERAGE WITHIN THE NADIR** . High overlap between lines to meet the IHO specifications for “Special Order” for feature detection.
- **SOPHISTICATED FILTERS REQUIRED** during acquisition or during a pre-processing stage, in addition to be supported during the post processing stage (CARIS processing) by a reliable error model, such as The Combined Uncertainty Bathymetric Estimator (CUBE).

PROCESS WORKFLOW: BEFORE GS4 AND CARIS 9.022



WITH THE PREVIOUS SOFTWARE GS+ AND EARLIER VERSIONS OF CARIS 9.022

- **SLOW WORKFLOW.** necessary to pre-process data applying filters to the raw data with the GS+ software.
 - Remove background noise coming from acoustic and electronic origin
 - Return from WC and surface backscatter
- **FILTERED POINTS** during acquisition or during a pre-processing stage not recoverable in CARIS.
 - If filters were not applied correctly you would have to run the line again



PROCESS WORKFLOW: WITH GS4 AND CARIS 9.022



- **THE NEW SOFTWARE GS4:**

- GS4 replaced the GS+ software in 2015. A completely re-worked version, providing higher performance and a contemporary graphical interface.
- Filters can be applied during acquisition

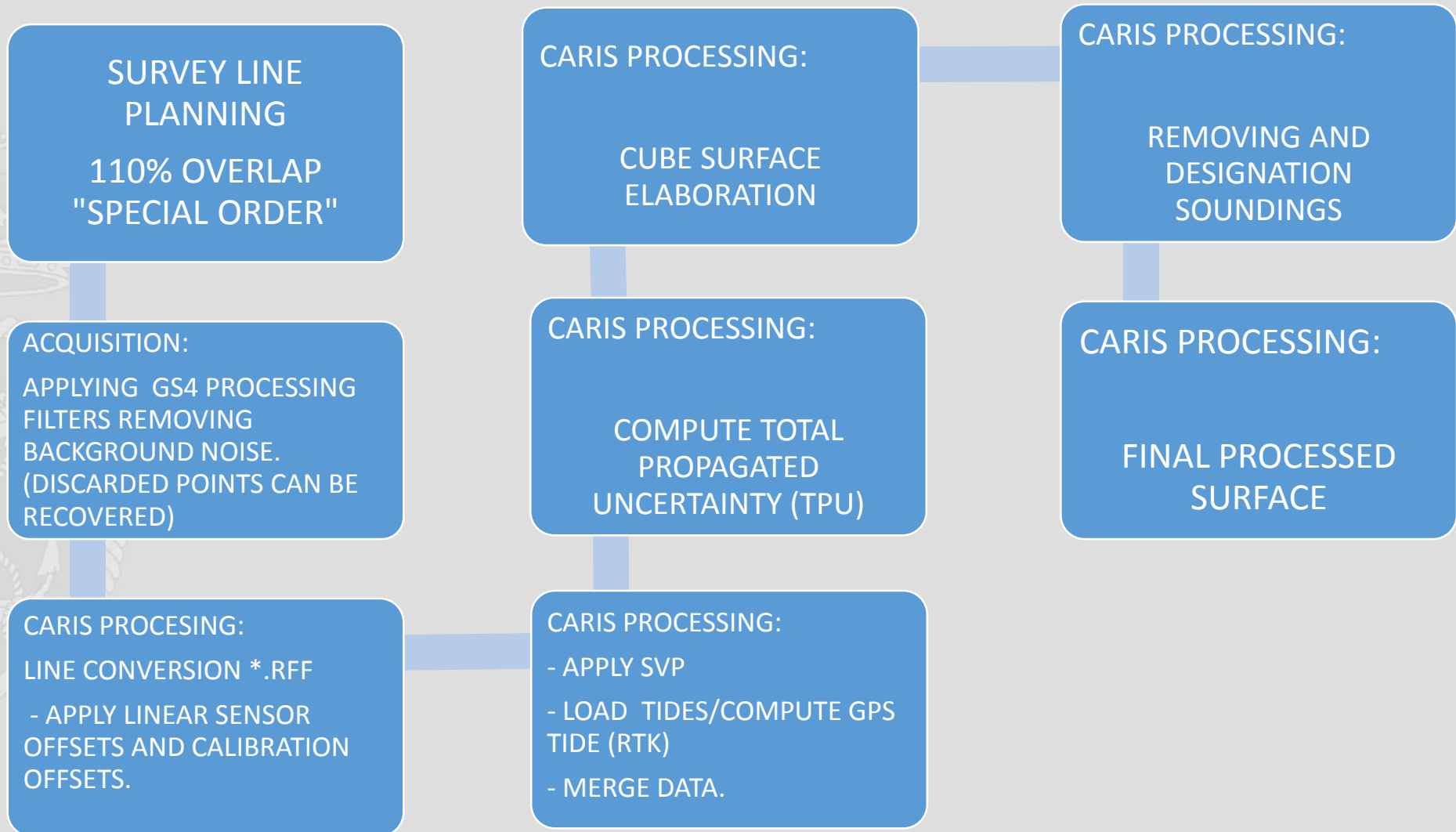
- **LATER VERSIONS OF CARIS 9.022**

- Allow to recover the discarded points filtered with all processing filters used in GS4 during the acquisition stage.
- Possible to apply processing filters during the acquisition survey. **Raw data can be treated directly in CARIS HIPS** without having to run the GS4 Processing Module.



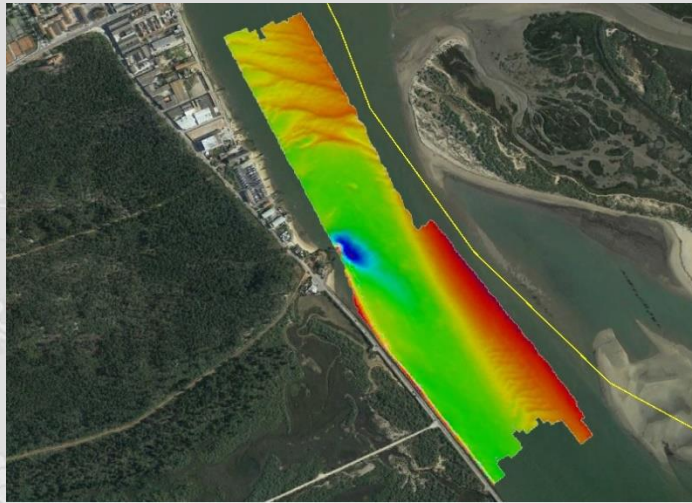


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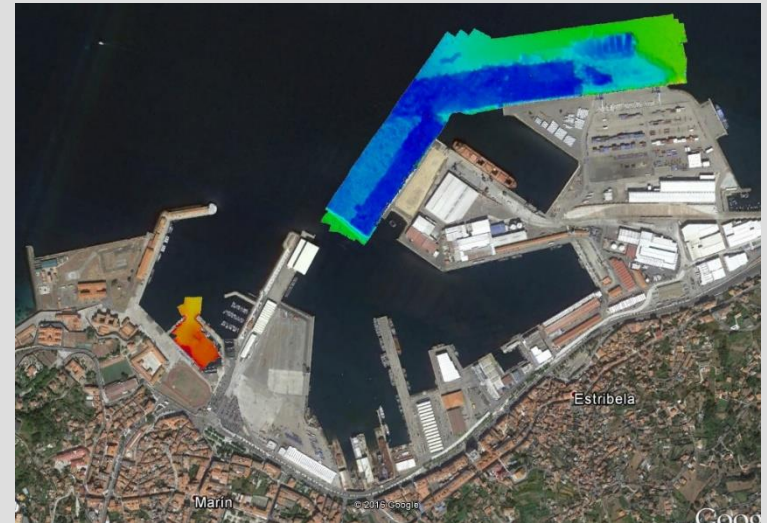




SURVEYED AREAS WITH GS500/250 2014-2016



GUADIANA ESTUARY. GS500 2015



PORT OF MARÍN. GS500 2015

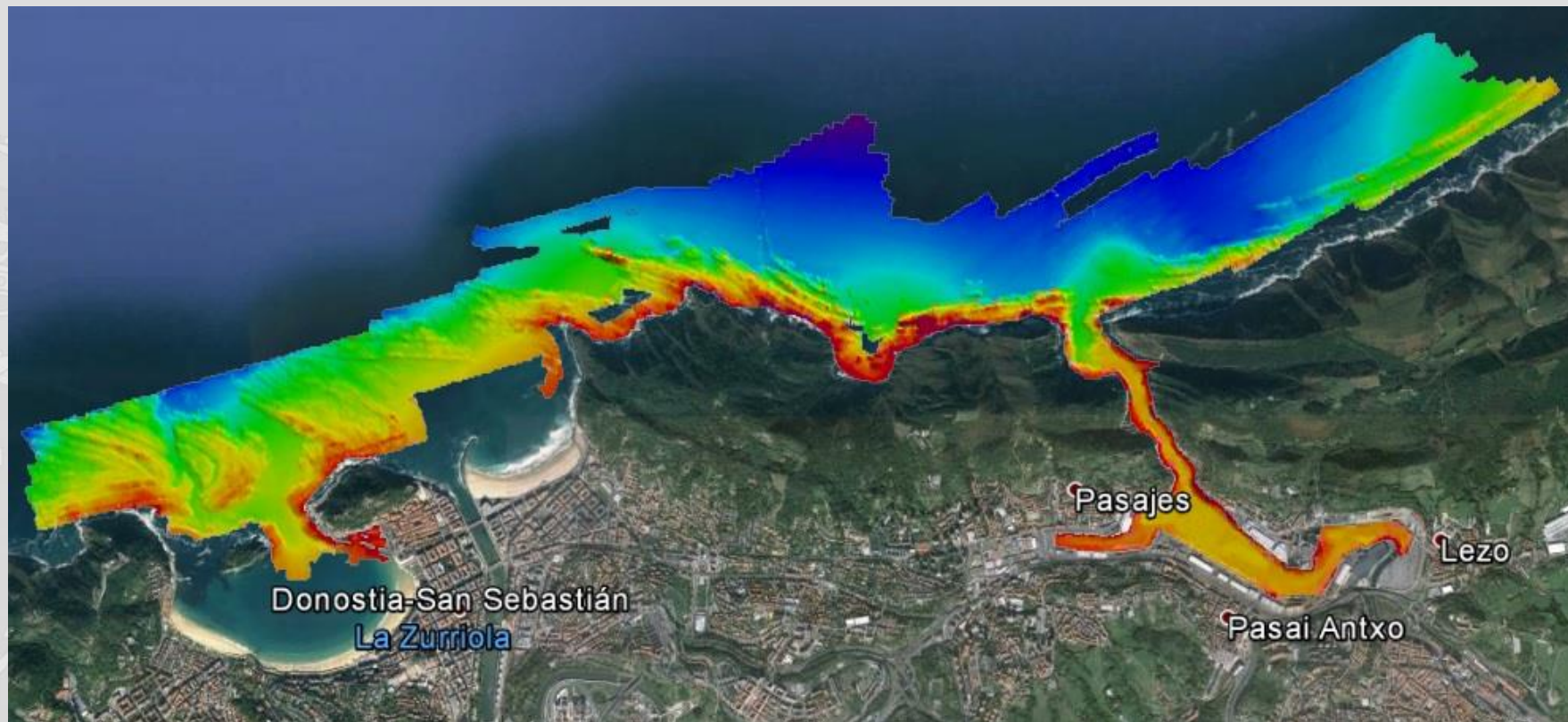


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SURVEYED AREAS WITH GS500/250 2014-2016

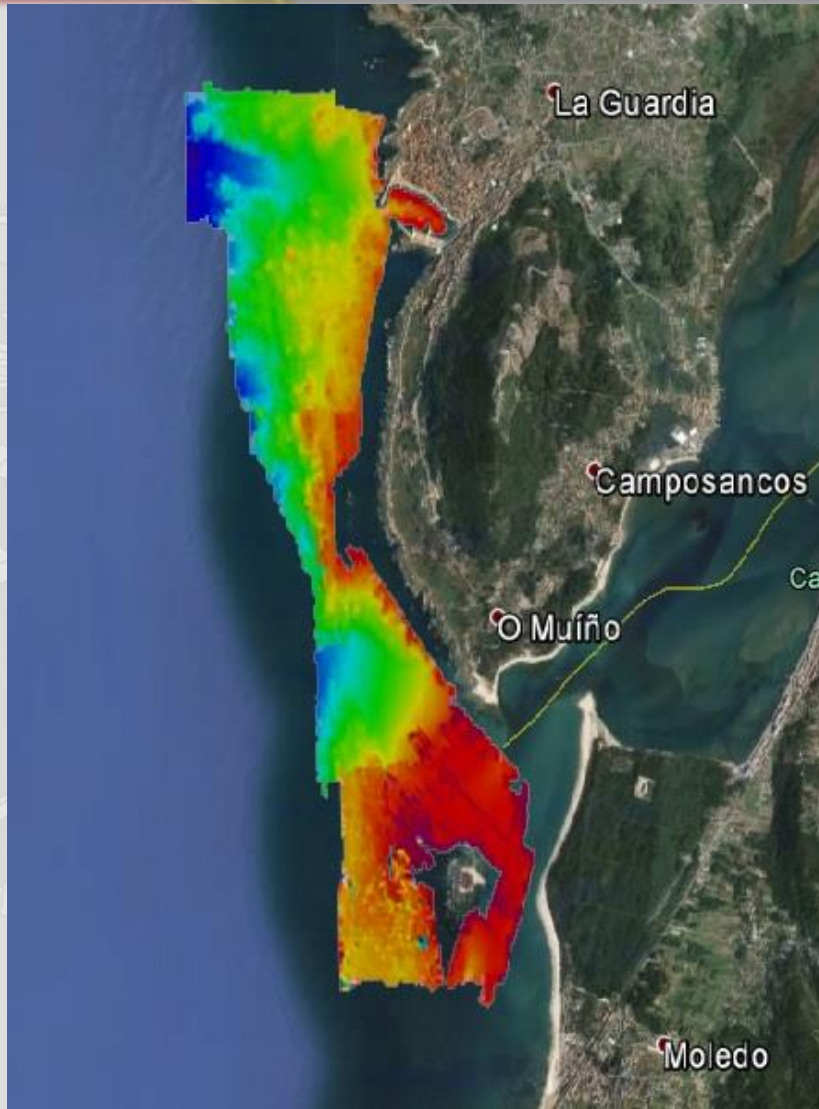


PASAJES ESTUARY AND SAN SEBASTIAN COAST. GS250 2015





SURVEYED AREAS WITH GS500/250 2014-2016



*MIÑO RIVER ESTUARY AND LA GUARDIA
COAST. GS250 2015 AND 2016*





SURVEYED AREAS WITH GS500/250 2014-2016



BALDAIO SHALLOWS. GS500 2016



FERROL PORT. GS250 2016



PORT OF BILBAO. GS500 2016





CONCLUSSIONS



- HIGH PERFORMANCE FOR VERY SHALLOW WATERS...RIVERS???*
- EASILY TRANSPORTABLE*
- CHEAP*
- DOES NOT WORK PROPERLY WITH ROUGH SEAS*
- PROCESSINGWORKFLOW STILL VERY LOW*
- REQUIRES GOOD SKILLS AND STRONG KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT YOU´VE GOT IN YOUR HANDS*

