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Hydrographic charting to IHO standards using conventional acoustic and airborne Lidar technology

to provide maps and charts that characterise the ground surface from land, across the land-water boundary, and to full ocean depth.

Marine Site Characterisation



- **Local Offices:** Cape Town:
 - 40+ staff supporting marine operations;
 - Vessels: 1 (operating in Africa)
 - Marine Site Characterisation (Geophysical Survey and Hydrographic survey services)

- **Other Offices within Europe-Africa Region**
 - Ghana
 - Nigeria
 - Cameroon
 - Gabon
 - Congo
 - Angola
 - Mozambique
 - Netherlands
 - United Kingdom
 - Ireland
 - Spain
 - Belgium
 - Italy
 - Germany
 - Luxemburg
 - Hungary
 - Albania
 - Denmark
 - Norway
 - Turkey
 - Lithuania

- **Fugro Frontier**

- LoA 54m;
- R2Sonic 2026/Reson 7160 MBES
- Edgetech 4200 SSS
- Edgetech 3200 SBP



- **Fugro Pioneer**

- LoA 54m;
- Kongsberg EM2040 MBES
- Edgetech 4200 SSS
- Hull-mounted SBP (Boomer, Sparker)



- **Fugro Helmert**

- LoA 42m;
- Kongsberg EM710 & EM2040 MBES
- Edgetech 4200 SSS
- Innomar SES 2000 Medium SBP



Main achievements during the year

- Accredited Category B hydrographic surveying training course (S-5B).
- Involvement in IHO HSPT S-44 6th Edition (HSSC Working Group)
- Active involvement in GEBCO “Seabed 2030”
- Technology Developments into SDB, USV, ALB and Data Processing...



Contributions to GEBCO “Seabed2030” Project



In-transit data collection. Data are collected from Fugro survey vessels as they transit between projects

Remote technology solution. Fugro OARS® enables safe and efficient data acquisition without survey staff on board

7 vessels currently involved. Fugro intends to incorporate the approach across its entire global survey fleet

~450,000 km² of high resolution bathymetry contributed to date.

Some datasets also include backscatter and water column data



Fugro Academy - Applied Hydrographic Survey Programme

- Accredited Category B hydrographic surveying training course (S-5B).
- Located in Plymouth, UK at permanently based facility
- dedicated computer suites, lecture rooms, workshops, equipment, and vessels
- 24-Week duration
- Open to all who meet course prerequisites



Fugro OARS (Office Assisted Remote Services)

- centralised command centres throughout the world
- direct access to offshore survey projects
- allows for optimisation of survey crew size
- client engagement
- access to Fugro's subject matter experts around the world

Back2Base

- survey data compression enabling transmission of mega-data sets for onshore processing and evaluation



Satellite Derived Bathymetry capability for:

- Desktop study support
- Reconnaissance and background data for line planning and identifying where high resolution surveys should be focused

Autonomous Surface Vessel (with L3 Technologies - UK)

- designed for medium to large-scale hydrographic survey applications,

ALB Sensor Developments

- LADS HD upgrade to 7 KHz
 - Without any loss of power
 - Max Depth Measurement still 80m capable;
- New RAMMS Sensor (with Arete Associates - US)
 - Airborne multibeam lidar via a push-broom laser scanner with beam forming at the receiver
 - Low power consumption/high resolution
 - Adapted technology from an airborne mine detection system.

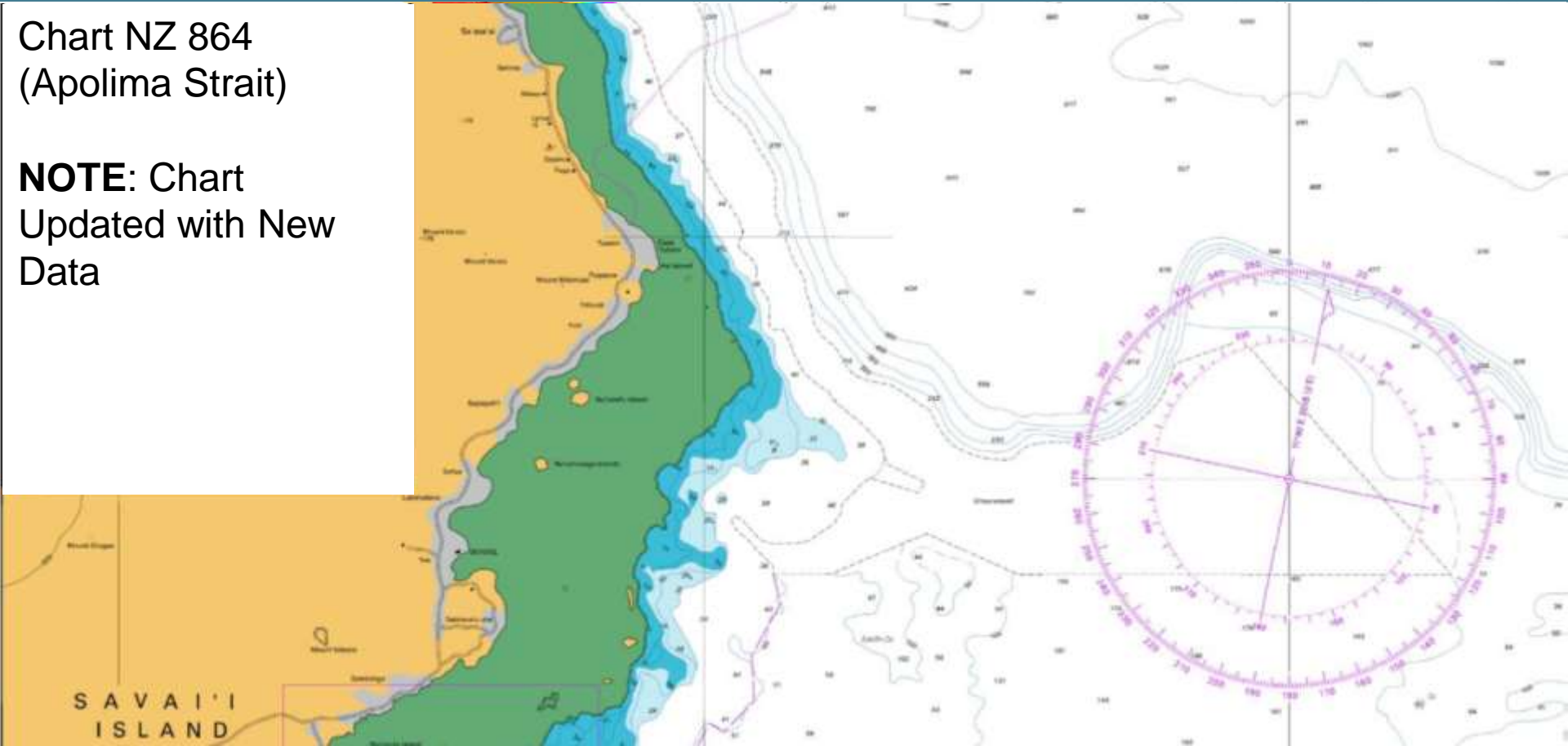
Implementation of **Machine Learning and Cloud Processing** for MBES and ALB datasets



Example – Application of ALB - Australia

Chart NZ 864
(Apolima Strait)

NOTE: Chart
Updated with New
Data



Thankyou

Any Questions?

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