

Marine Data News

Marine Data News is a quarterly free electronic newsletter that delivers the latest news and information on marine data and events.



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Who is involved?

- We are a genuine partnership open to all with an interest in marine data and information.
- We have over 30 partners representing the whole marine sector: from government departments through research institutions to private value adding companies.

The MEDIN Sponsors are:



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Working together to improve access to and stewardship of marine data

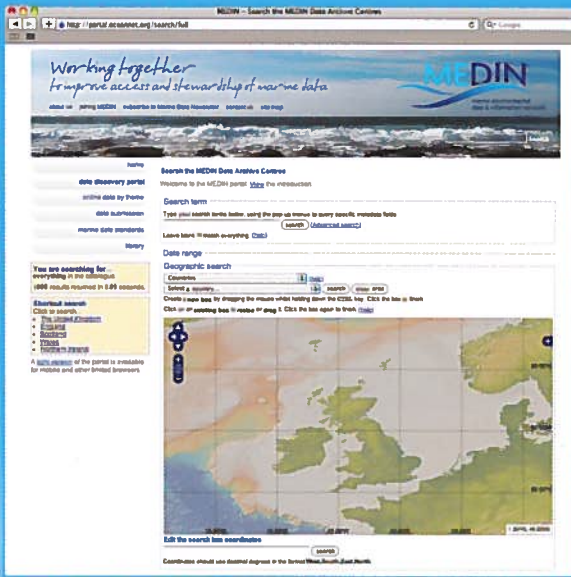
What are we doing?

- Making it easier to source & use marine data
- Saving our partners time and resources
- Providing secure, long-term curation of our valuable marine data sets
- Working with UK Government to implement the UK Marine Monitoring and Assessment Strategy
- Supporting implementation of the Marine Act
- Helping partners to deal with international data requirements e.g. INSPIRE.



Data Discovery Portal

The MEDIN portal is a metadata discovery service providing users with a single point of access to a well-balanced, INSPIRE compliant, authoritative marine metadata catalogue.



portal.oceannet.org/search/full

Metadata records are available for UK marine data sets across all subject areas and disciplines. This includes UK organisations undertaking data collection in non-UK waters. There are other portals which contain data for more specific data themes or from a European rather than a UK perspective.

There are tools available on the website to easily create metadata. Please let us know if you would like to have your metadata added to the portal.

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Data Submission

There are four accredited MEDIN DACs currently:

- **British Geological Survey (BGS)** for seabed and sub-seabed geology, geophysics data
- **British Oceanographic Data Centre (BODC)** for water column oceanographic data
- **Data Archive for Seabed Species and Habitats (DASSH)** marine species and habitats data
- **UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO)** for bathymetry data

MEDIN contract clause for data

MEDIN recommendations for a standard data collection clause to be used in contracts can be downloaded at www.oceannet.org/data_submission. This clause can be used by organisations contracting research, monitoring and impact assessments to ensure data is submitted to DACs and therefore made available for reuse at the end of a contractual agreement.

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