

VOS and VOSClim Report for 2007

South Africa

a. Programme description:		
Category	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2007	Comments
<i>Selected</i>	21	
<i>Supplementary</i>		
<i>Auxiliary</i>		
<i>Other (specify)</i>	Rig	
Total National VOS Fleet	22	

b. VOS:	
<i>Number of VOS vessels recruited in 2007</i>	3
<i>Number of VOS vessels de-recruited in 2007</i>	3
<i>Target number of ships in the national VOS Fleet</i>	30

c. VOSClim:	
<i>Number of VOSClim vessels at 31 December 2007</i>	1
<i>Number of VOSClim vessels recruited in 2007</i>	none
<i>Number of VOSClim de-recruitments in 2007</i>	none
<i>Number of VOSClim recruitments planned for 2008</i>	2
<i>Target number of ships to participate in VOSClim</i>	5

d. Automated observing systems:				
Type	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2007	Manual Input Yes / No	Method of Comms	2008 Planned installations
Milos 520	1	Yes	Sat-C	2

e. Data management:	
<i>Total number of ship observations (BBXX) distributed on the GTS in 2007</i>	31662
<i>Frequency of VOS data submitted for the GCC in 2007</i>	Monthly

f. Electronic logbooks:		
Software & version	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2007	Implementation plans
TurboWin 4.0	8	To convert all vessels to the electronic format

g. Major challenges and difficulties:

We are looking at sponsorship to supply vessels with computers and communication equipment to ensure that we get realtime data for distribution.

h. Research / development / testing:

We would like to continue our partnership with the SADC countries for members to participate in our take-over relief voyages.

i. Other comments: