## Germany

a. Programme d	Programme description:		
Category	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Comments	
Selected	803		
Supplementary	2		
Auxiliary	26		
Other (specify)	0		
Total National VOS Fleet	831		

b. VOS:	
Number of VOS vessels recruited in 2008	72
Number of VOS vessels de-recruited in 2008	93
Target number of ships in the national VOS Fleet	not specified

c. VOSClim:		
Number of VOSClim vessels at 31 December 2008 29		
Number of VOSClim vessels recruited in 2008 4		
Number of VOSClim de-recruitments in 2008	0	
Number of VOSClim recruitments planned for 2009	not specified	
Target number of ships to participate in VOSClim	not specified	

d. Automated o	. Automated observing systems:						
Туре	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Manual Input Yes / No	Method of Comms	2009 Planned installations			
MILOS	17	No	DCP	MEERKATZE/DBFM will be replaced by new MEERKATZE (DBFX)			
Ship Own Data Logger	2	Yes	INMARSAT/Iridium				

e. Data management:		
Total number of ship observations (BBXX) distributed on the GTS in 2008 276.858		
Frequency of VOS data submitted to the GCC in 2008	continuously	

f. Electronic logbook	Electronic logbooks:				
Software & version	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Implementation/upgrade plans			
TurboDOS/Winxx	730	Continuously on Ship's PC			

g.	Major challenges and difficulties:
Lon	g-term strategy to replace Hg-thermometer and mechanical barometer/barograph by electronic equipment
h.	Research / development / testing:
i.	Other comments: