

VOS Report for 2013

Country =

a. Programme description:				
Category	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2013	Recruitments in 2013	De-recruitments In 2013	Comments
<i>Selected</i>	20	0	0	The ships sold to other countries due to the economic crisis
<i>Selected AWS</i>				
<i>VOSclim</i>				
<i>VOSclim AWS</i>				
<i>Supplementary</i>				
<i>Supplementary AWS</i>				
<i>Auxiliary</i>				
<i>Auxiliary AWS</i>				
<i>Other</i>	4			1 Research Vessel, 1 Sail Training Vessel, 2 Coastguard Cutter
National VOS Total				

National VOS Target	24
National VOSclim Target	

b. Data management:	
<i>Total number of ship observations (BBXX) distributed on the GTS in 2013</i>	7189 (Statistic of SMHI)
<i>Date when VOS data submitted to the GCCs in 2013</i>	All logbooks SMHI has received from 2010-2012 has been digitalised.

e. Standard Meteorological Equipment: (Types and Settings)		
Equipment Type / Element	Manual Instrumentation	AWS Instrumentation
Barometer	Vaisala PTB-220	
	<i>Default national setting</i> Station Level or Mean Sea Level	<i>Station Level or Mean Sea Level</i>
Barograph		
	<i>Default national setting</i> Station Level or Mean Sea Level	<i>Station Level or Mean Sea Level</i>
Thermometers	PT-100 connected to a Testo-920	
Sea Surface Temperature	?	
Wind Speed	Ships own equipment	
Wind Direction	Ships own equipment	

f. PMO ship visit activities: (if a visit is for dual purposes, include all purposes)			
Activity	Manual Ship	AWS Ship	Comment
Routine VOS inspections	2		Very few inspections due to changed routes for most part of our fleet.
VOS recruitment visits			
VOS de-recruitment visits			
VOS courtesy or foreign visits			
<i>Total visits to VOS</i>	2		
Routine ASAP inspections			
ASAP recruitment visits			
ASAP de-recruitment visits			
ASAP courtesy visits			
<i>Total visits to ASAP</i>			
Routine SOOP visits			
SOOP recruitment visits			
SOOP de-recruitment visits			
SOOP courtesy visits			
<i>Total visits to SOOP</i>			
Visits in support of DBCP (drifting buoys)			
Visits in support of Argo (profiling floats)			
<i>Total visits to other programs</i>			
Total visits by national PMOs	2		<i>Sum of all ship visits (VOS + ASAP + SOOP) + visits to other program (DBCP + Argo)</i>

g. Major challenges and difficulties:

* To evaluate AWS system

h. Research / development / testing:

* To look at the consequences of changing to a smaller but fully automated fleet.

i. Other comments

* Lack of resources. PMO, until now, have only 20% time of a man-year.