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Australia to chair CEOS in 2016

- Via CSIRO, Australia has recently been invited to become Chair of the Committee on Earth Observation System (CEOS (http://www.ceos.org)) for 2016
- Dr Alex Held (tentative Chair)
- Developing budget and forward plan, in close consultation with central government and associated agencies.
- Suggestions welcome from WGCV for areas or activities which could be emphasized during the 2015-2017 term.



TCP in Earth Observation Informatics

- Transformational Capability Platform to both support and underpin EO-based research across CSIRO and outreach
- Leveraging research in cal-val, data processing
- Supporting both:
 - Terrestrial Ecosysystem Rsearch Network (TERN)
 - Integrated Marine Observing System (IMOS)

• Supporting forthcoming meeting of the Australian Satellite Calibration Working Group



TCP Cal-Val developments

- Developing Cal-Val facilities in Perth and Canberra (as national capability)
- Procedures for QA and Calibration of spectroradiometers
- Further developing facilities at Lake Lefroy salt pan, WA
- Investigating other potential vicarious calibration sites





Survey of Cal/Val capabilities

- Funded by Space Coordination Office via Australian Satellite Calibration Working Group
- Supporting the recommendation of the NEOS-IP 'That national EOS calibration and validation infrastructure be established'
- Will assess:
 - Current capabilities and infrastructure for Cal/Val in Australia
 - Current activities in Cal/Val
 - Perform a SWOT analysis
 - Make recommendations on the path forward for Cal/Val activities in Australia
- Report almost finalised

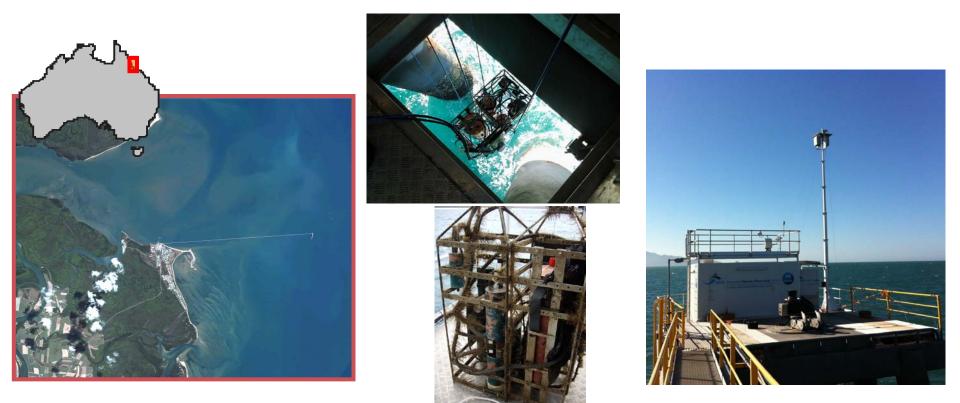


IMOS activities



Lucinda Jetty Coastal Observatory (LJCO) imos.org.au/ljco.html

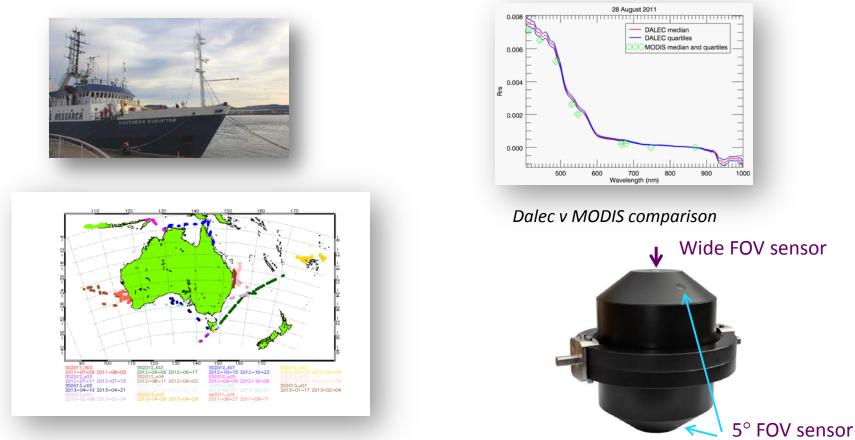
 Re-establishment of Lucinda Jetty Coastal Observatory – Southern hemisphere vicarious aquatic cal-val site





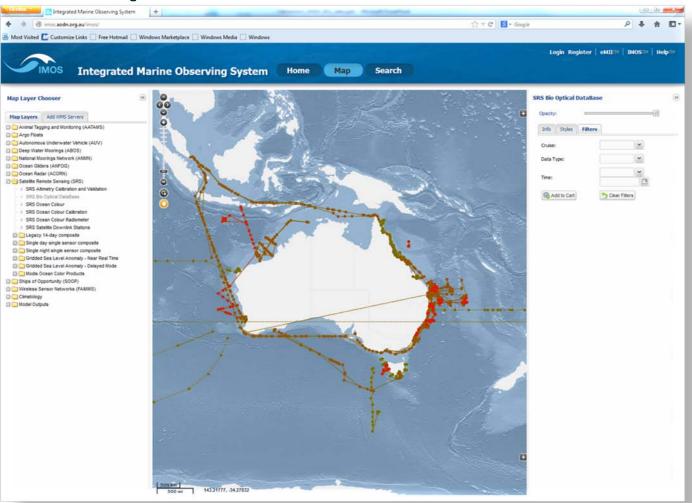
Ship-mounted spectro-radiometers

DALEC spectroradiometers installed on two research vessels, continuous acquisition measurements of the water leaving radiance in the Australian sector of the Indian, Pacific and Southern Oceans.





IMOS Bio-optical database



http://imos.aodn.org.au/webportal/





TERN AusCover Program

-Product Validation Activities -





Products:

- MODIS LAI
- Burnt-area
- Fractional Cover
- Woody Vegetation
 Reflectance
 Aboveground
 Biomass



AusCover Good Practice Guidelines (A technical handbook supporting calibration and validation activities of remotely sensed data products)



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