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H2020 IMMERSE : Developing NEMO for improving Copernicus Marine Environment Services



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Project fact sheets

- IMMERSE project selected in response to H2020 call **LC-SPACE-03-EO-2018**
- The project is led by CNRS and started in Dec 2018 for 48 months (until Dec 2022)
- IMMERSE gathers a consortium of 14 institutions across Europe :



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improving NEMO ocean model**

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Project context and background

- Ocean circulation models are key tools :
 - for building an **understanding** of the mechanisms governing ocean variability
 - for **climate projections** as components of Earth System Models
 - for **operational forecasts** as components of operational prediction systems
 - for preparing ocean observing systems (OSSE/OSE for in-situ and satellite)



<http://www.nemo-ocean.eu/>



Climate



Understanding



Operations

- NEMO is one of the **leading** ocean circulation models
- developed (and distributed OS) by a **international consortium** of 5 institutions ,
- NEMO is the only OGCM used for all these 4 ranges of applications
- NEMO is used in **8 ESMs** across Europe and in Copernicus services



Project context and background



Marine Environment Monitoring

The screenshot shows the Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service website. At the top, there's a search bar with 'Search terms' and 'OK'. Below it, a navigation menu includes 'ABOUT US', 'BENEFITS', 'NEWS', 'SCIENCE & LEARNING', 'TRAINING', 'SERVICES PORTFOLIO', and a 'SHORT-CUT TO SERVICES' dropdown. The main content area is titled 'ONLINE CATALOGUE' with a sub-section 'YOUR SEARCH'. It shows a search bar with 'NEW SEARCH' and two filter sections: 'AREA' and 'PARAMETER'. The 'AREA' section has a checked checkbox for 'All areas' and several other options like 'Global Ocean', 'Arctic Ocean', etc. The 'PARAMETER' section also has a checked checkbox for 'All parameters' and options for 'Ocean Temperature' and 'Ocean Salinity'. To the right, there are two product cards: 'GLOBAL OCEAN 1/12° PHYSICS ANALYSIS AND FORECAST UPDATED DAILY' and 'GLOBAL OCEAN BIOGEOCHEMISTRY ANALYSIS AND WEEKLY FORECAST'. Each card includes a thumbnail image, a brief description, and buttons for 'MORE INFO' and 'ADD TO CART'.

- CMEMS products combine **observations-based** and **synthetic model-based** projects
- **Synthetic** model-based products : physically consistant state estimates and forecast compromising between observations and modelled physics
- Synthetic model-based products are assembled in **CMEMS Monitoring and Forecasting Centers (MFCs)**
- 6 out of 7 CMEMS Monitoring and Forecasting Centers are heavily relying on NEMO ocean model
- NEMO is also used in preparation for several new satellite observation missions (wide-swath altimetry, surface currents, ...)

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Overall concept of IMMERSE project

- Concept : developing new capabilities for CMEMS by improving NEMO ocean model, used in the majority of CMEMS Monitoring and Forecasting Centers
- Activities: IMMERSE will accelerate the development of NEMO ocean model and prepare a seamless transition from research to operation in CMEMS, CMEMS MFCs and downstream systems.
- In practice, the project combines activities aiming at :
 - developing NEMO ocean model (in coordination with NEMO consortium);
 - preparing the evolution of CMEMS MFCs and downstream systems.
- from a NEMO perspective :
 - IMMERSE will accelerate NEMO development in order to allow a timely and seamless transition from research to operation
 - Special care has been put in adapting the project governance structure to NEMO development workflow.

To our knowledge, IMMERSE is the only H2020 project targeting explicitly the development of a geoscientific model.



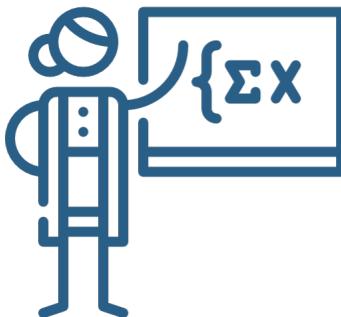
IMMERSE project objectives

1. Develop a new, efficient, stable and scalable NEMO reference code with improved performances adapted to exploit future HPC technologies in the context of CMEMS systems
2. Develop NEMO for the challenges of delivering ocean state estimates and forecasts describing ocean dynamics and biogeochemistry at kilometric scale with improved accuracy
3. Prepare the exploitation of the next generation of high resolution observing networks within CMEMS systems and in detailed, downstream modelling systems.
4. Develop a flexible and generic software tools series for interfacing CMEMS observation and model-based products and detailed, downstream modelling systems
5. Provide proven model code and software tools with assessments suitable for rapid deployment in CMEMS

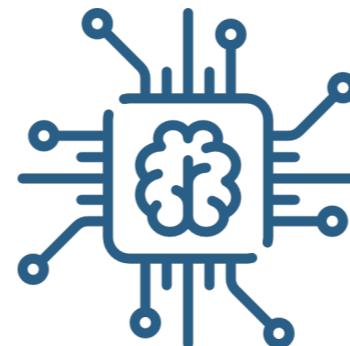
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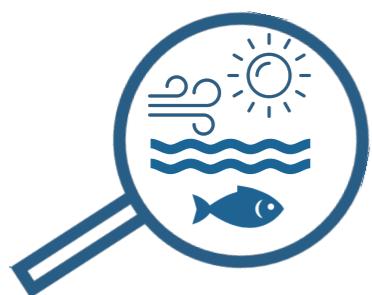
Overview of planned activities : key project WPs



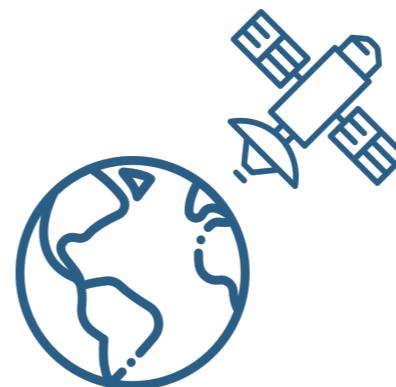
Next generation numerical kernel for NEMO



Preparing CMEMS to future HPC infrastructures



Modelling key processes at kilometric scales



Integrating model-based products and observations



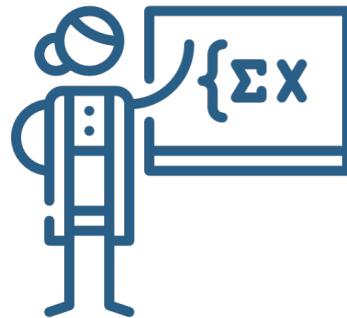
Demonstrating impact on CMEMS systems



Assessing impact on downstream systems



Overview of planned activities : work-package 3



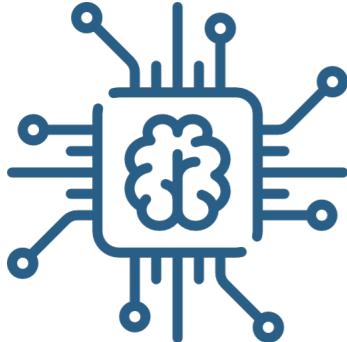
Next generation numerical
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- Implement two-level time-step (2LTS) scheme
- Developments to nesting
- Develop improved algorithms for vertical coordinates
- Assess adequacy of z-tilde vertical coordinates

Towards a new kernel adapted to kilometric resolutions.



Overview of planned activities : work-package 4



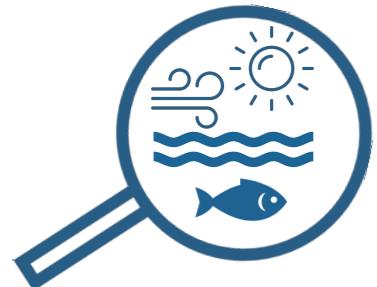
Preparing CMEMS to future
HPC infrastructures

- Efficient exploitation of memory hierarchies and hardware peak performance
- Increase modularity of NEMO components - macro-task parallelism
- Efficient IOs and diagnostics for operational systems
- Load balancing for AGRIF massive multigrid capability

Continuous improvement of NEMO HPC performances.



Overview of planned activities : work-package 5



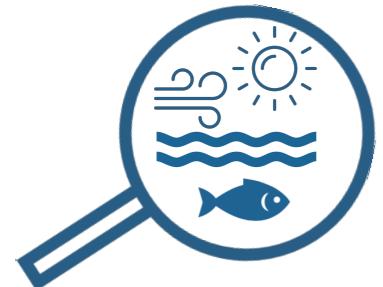
Modelling key processes
at kilometric scales

- Integration of an Atmospheric Boundary Layer model in NEMO
- Interactions between waves and O/A boundary layers processes
- Efficient and flexible interface with biogeochemical models
- Sea-Ice Rheology for high-resolution

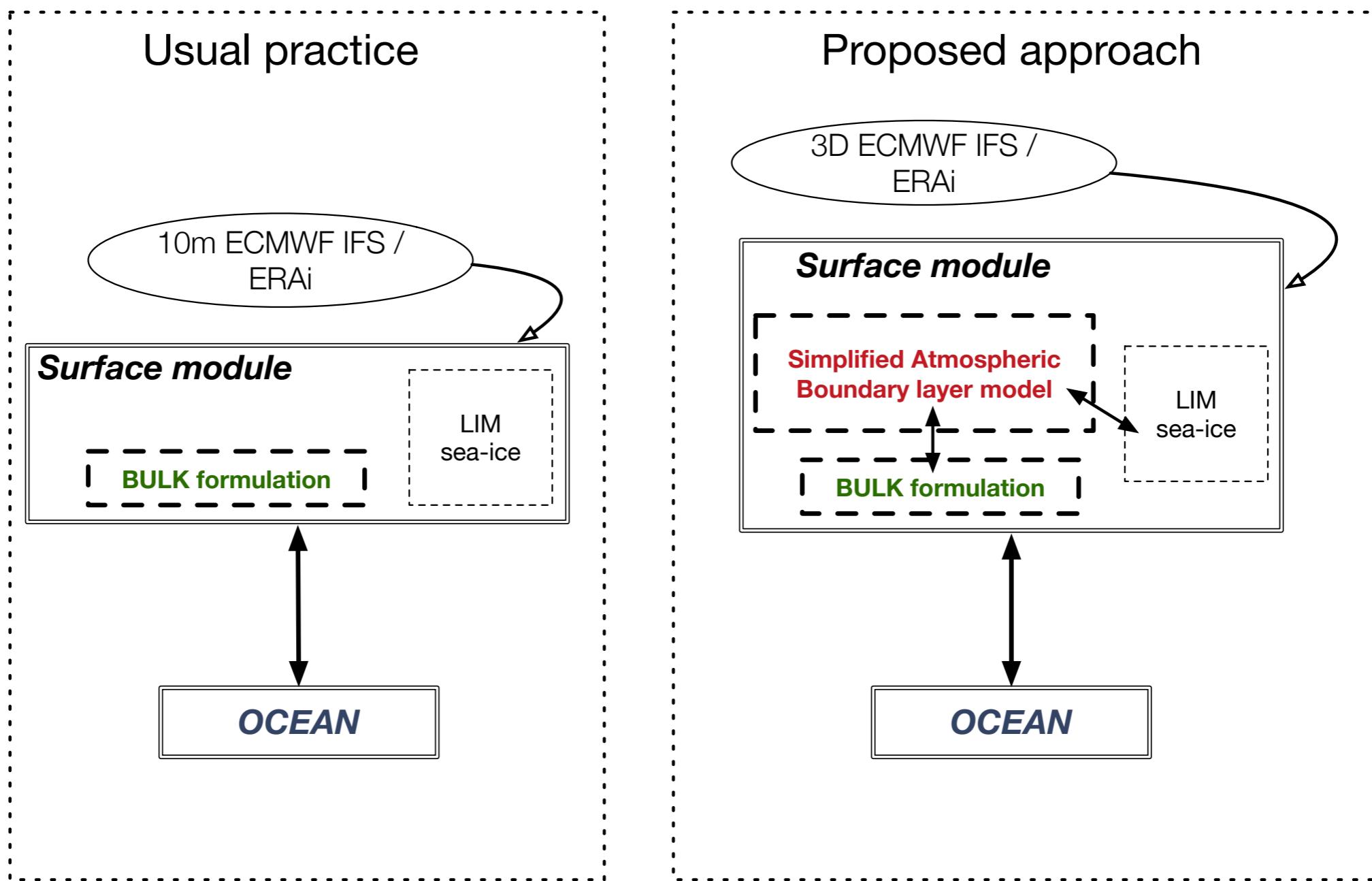
**Adapting the representation of model physics and
biogeochemistry to kilometric resolutions.**



Overview of planned activities : work-package 5



Modelling key processes
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Overview of planned activities : work-package 6



Demonstrating impact on
CMEMS systems

- Impact of NEMO developments on a regional forecast framework
- Impact on reanalyses and climate modelling (overflows)
- Impact of NEMO developments on the global forecasts framework

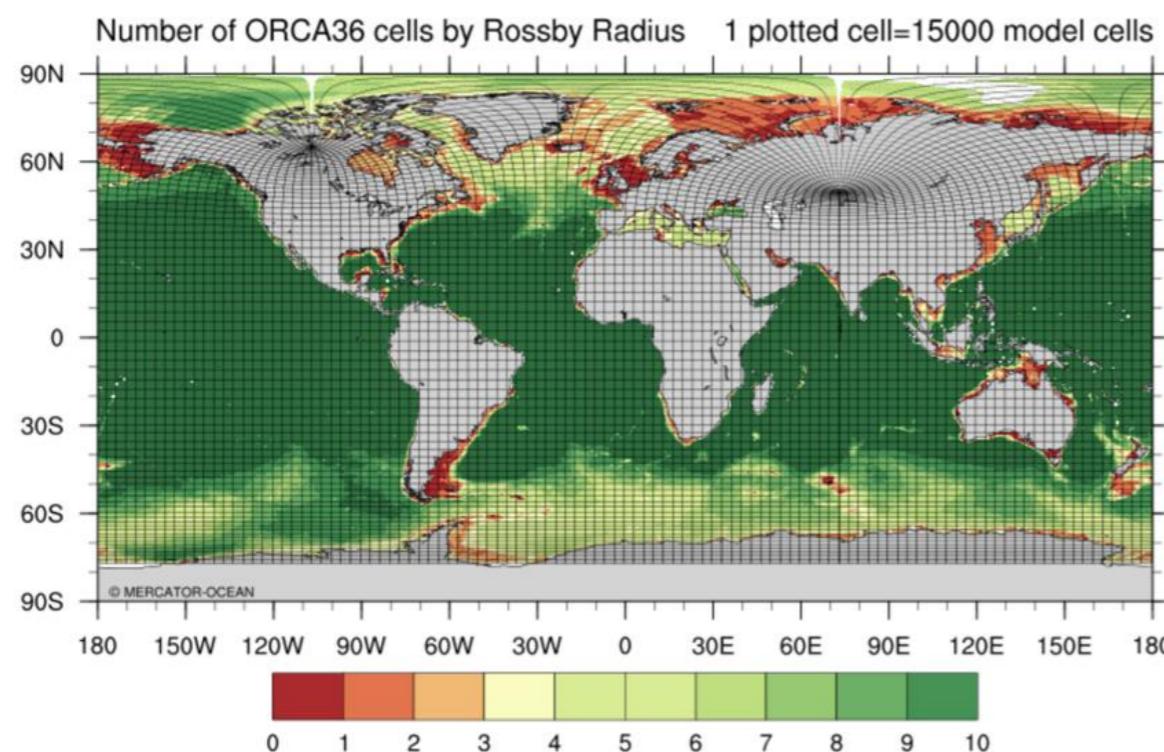
**Measuring impact of NEMO developments in prototype
CMEMS systems at 1/12°, 1/36° and ~1/100°
(without data-assimilation)**



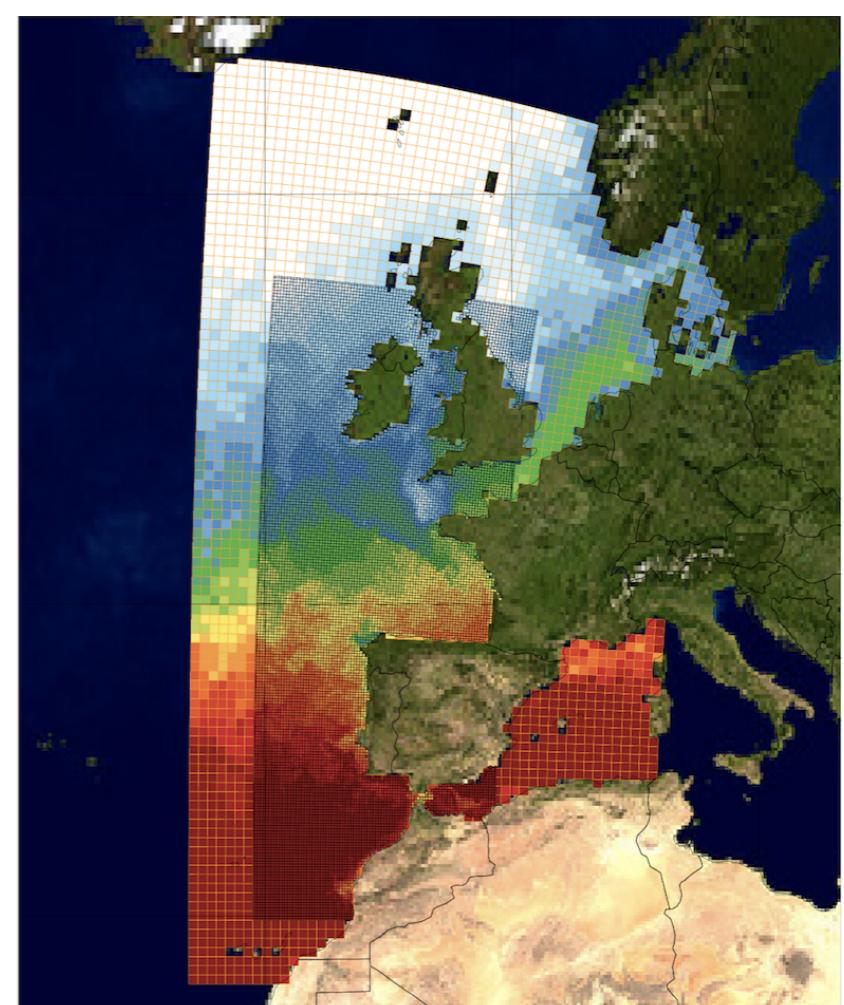
Overview of planned activities : work-package 6



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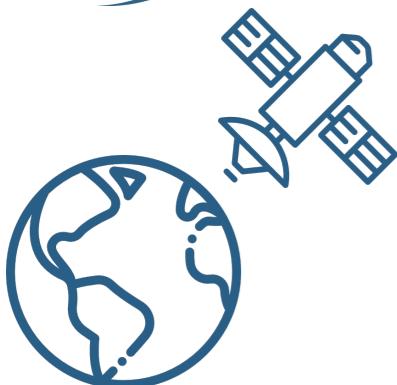
global 1/36°



IBI region + zoom ~1/100°



Overview of planned activities : work-package 7



Integrating model-based
products and observations

- Ensemble quantification of short term predictability of ocean fine scale dynamics
- Statistical description of forecast accuracy in DA systems for downstream applications
- Prototype toolbox for seamless uptake of CMEMS products in downstream monitoring systems

**Providing information for adapting data assimilation to
kilometric resolution systems and interactions with
downstream hi-res systems**



Overview of planned activities : work-package 8



Assessing impact on
downstream systems

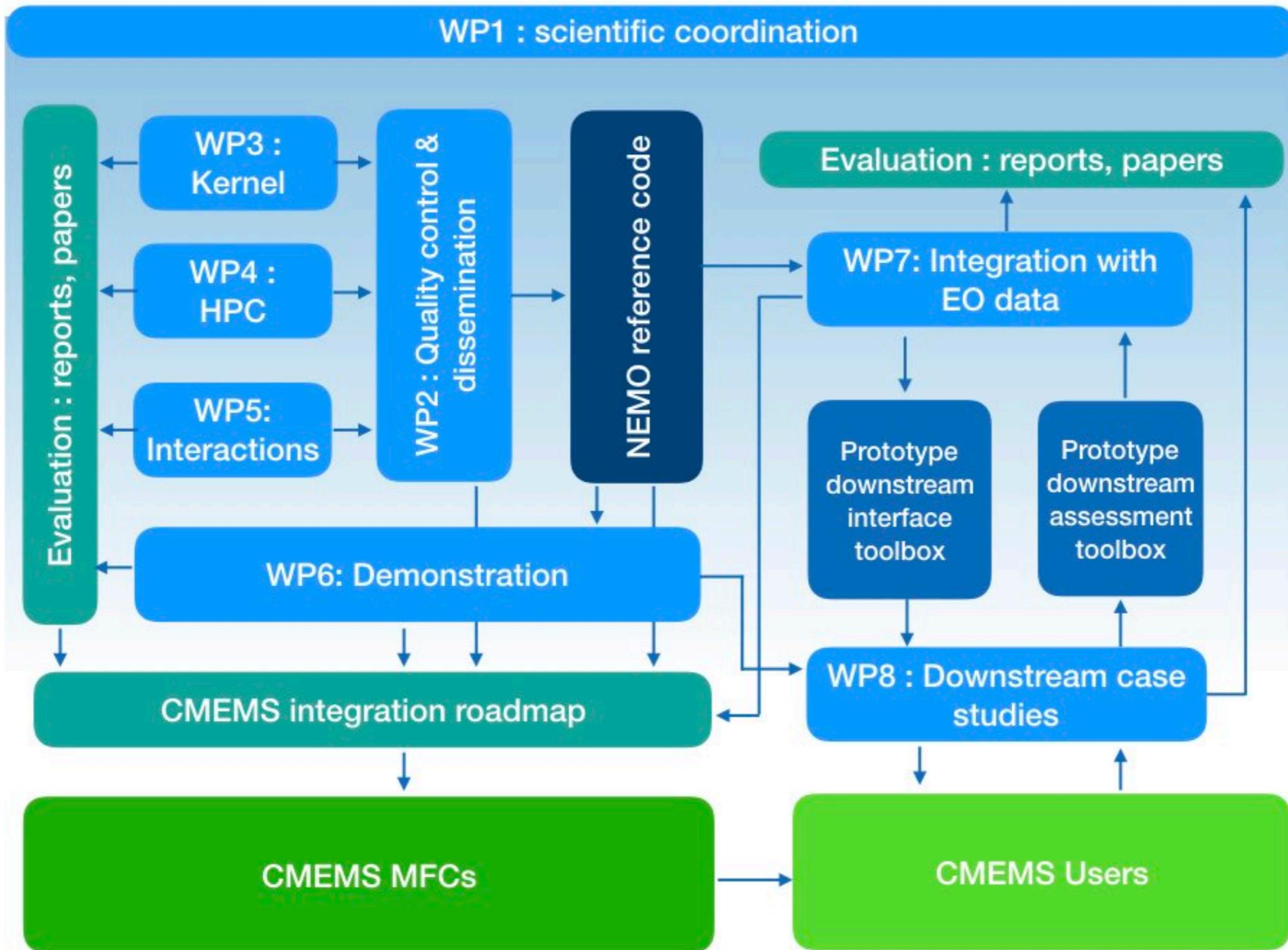
Testing impact in several downstream user case studies :

- Coastal processes in the German Bight
- Marine plastic litter transport from NW Europe to the Arctic
- Water quality modelling of the Tamar Estuary and adjacent coast
- Pollution transport by submesoscales in the open ocean

Assessing how changes in NEMO and CMEMS products would affect the users ability to reach their objectives.

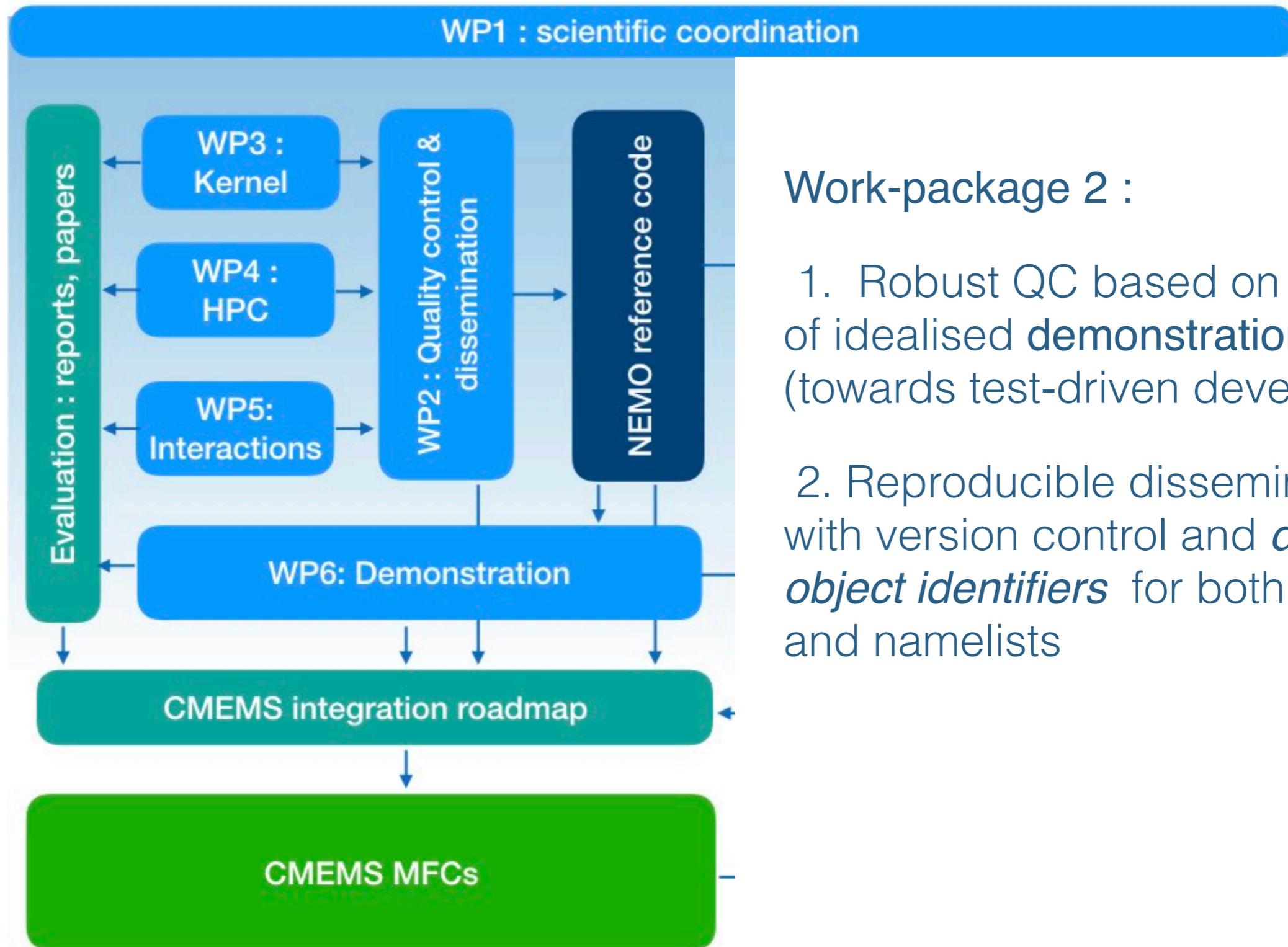


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Work-package 2 :

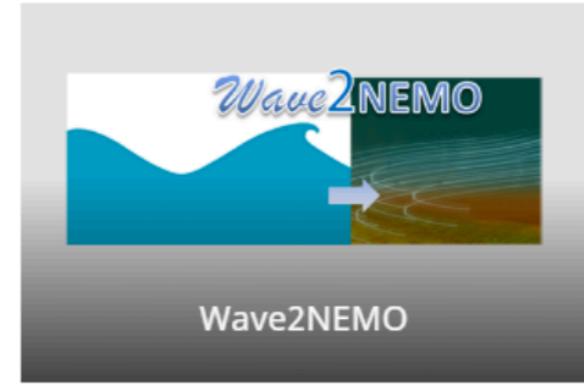
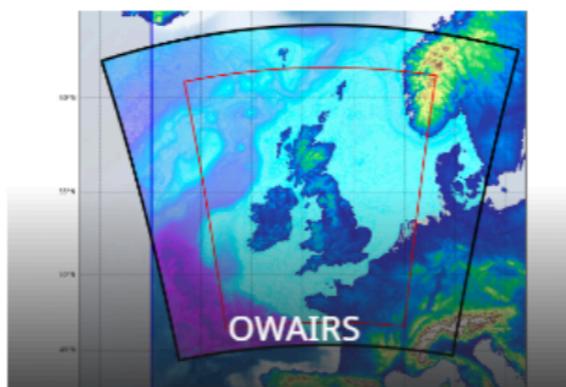
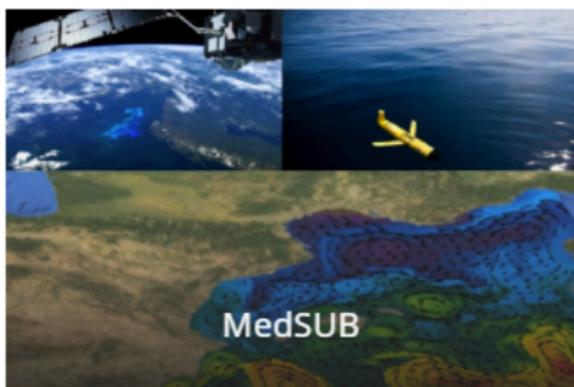
1. Robust QC based on a series of idealised demonstration cases (towards test-driven development)
2. Reproducible dissemination with version control and *digital object identifiers* for both codes and namelists

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Interactions between CMEMS and IMMERSE

- A **roadmap to transition in CMEMS** and CMEMS MFCs will be delivered and updated on an annual basis.
- This roadmap will be **presented to CMEMS Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee** every year.
- IMMERSE External Expert Advisory Group (EEAB) will ensure the **liaison with key stakeholders**, including CMEMS.
- Members of IMMERSE EEAB : A. Pascual (IMEDEA), P. Brasseur (CNRS), S. Danilov (AWI), A. Sanchez Arcilla (UPC), A. Adcroft (GFDL), N. Wedi (ECMWF)
- IMMERSE shows well-defined **articulations with several CMEMS R&D Service Evolution 1 projects**, in particular with :



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