

08.30	<b>Welcome Coffee</b>
09.00	Opening Address <i>Gilles Lericolais (Ifremer), EMB Chair &amp; Slawomir Sagan (IO-PAN), EurOcean President</i>
09.20	Introduction by host <i>Ralph Schneider – Kiel University</i>
09.30	Recommendations of the EMB Position Paper on European Research Vessels <i>Per Nieuwjaar – IMR, Norway</i>
09.45	Looking to the future of the European Research Fleet (tbc) <i>Giuseppe Magnifico/Juanjo Dañobeitia - EMSO-ERIC/Eurofleets+</i>
10.00	Technological perspectives (maybe link this to the idea of the virtual ocean from NFV?) <i>Stephen Hall - Society for Underwater Technology</i>
10.15	Innovative Research Vessels: The Mayflower AC (tbc) <i>Kevin Forshaw - University of Plymouth, UK</i>
<b>10.30</b>	<b>Coffee Break + Group picture</b>
11.00	Plans for the science community contributions towards the Decade of Ocean Science <i>Sheila Heymans – EMB Chair</i>
11.15	Break-out session groups, chaired by the 4 invited speakers (potential topics) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the contribution of Europe’s Research Fleet capacity towards the Decade of Ocean Science</li> <li>- bridging the gap between land- and fleet-based observations</li> <li>- potential synergies between different organisations to further support the Ocean Decade</li> </ul>
12.00	Discussions of the outcomes of the break-outs
12.30	Close of the meeting and next steps

**EurOcean Members** are invited to attend a networking event with the Submariner Network that will follow immediately after the Joint Open Session. The EurOcean Secretariat will guide their members to the Submariner offices where their meeting will take place. For more info, please contact the EurOcean Centre: [info@eurocean.org](mailto:info@eurocean.org).