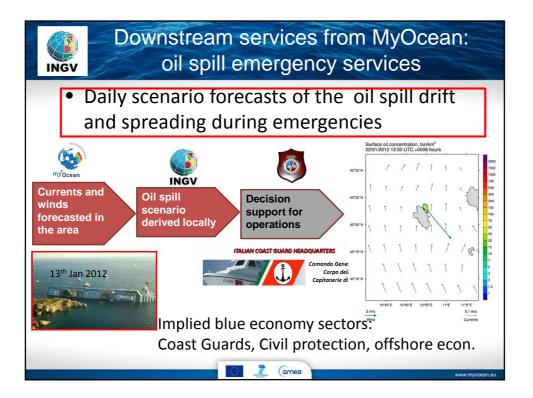
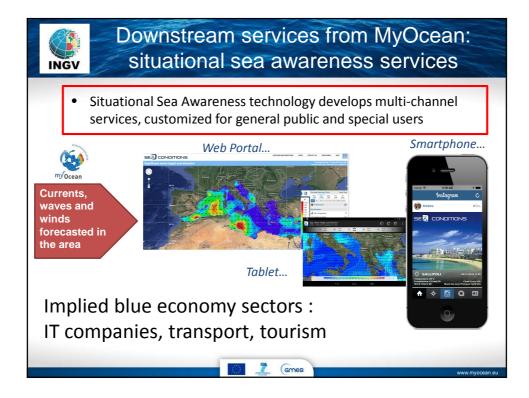
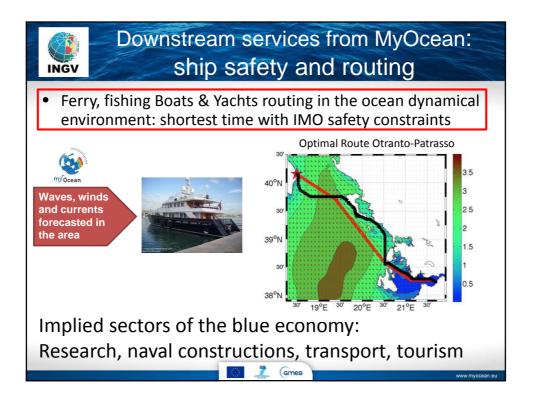
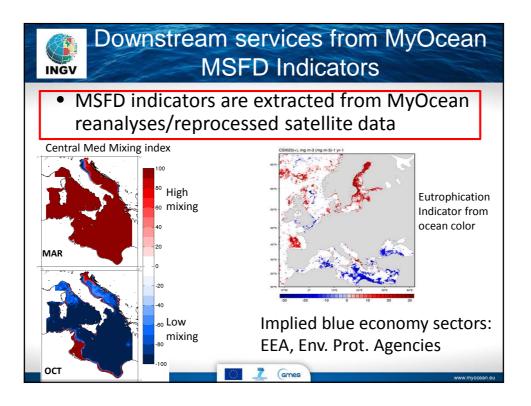


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Final remarks

- Operational oceanography is at the basis of ocean innovation, supporting the implementation of the European Integrated Maritime Policy.
- Copernicus and EMODnet are main implementation pillars of operational oceanography in Europe
- Copernicus prototype products support already a large blue economy sector allowing the development of innovative downstream services
- It is mandatory in the next few years to support the upgrade and maintenance of the European REAL TIME in situ 'data collection' system with an open and free data policy
- The Challenge is to continuously incorporate science and technology innovations in the European Operational Oceanography systems