

Overview of international wave measurement observatories

Wave buoys in Portugal

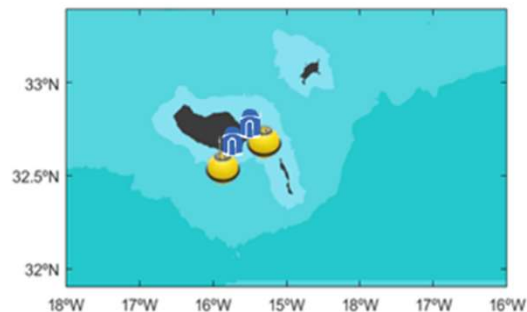
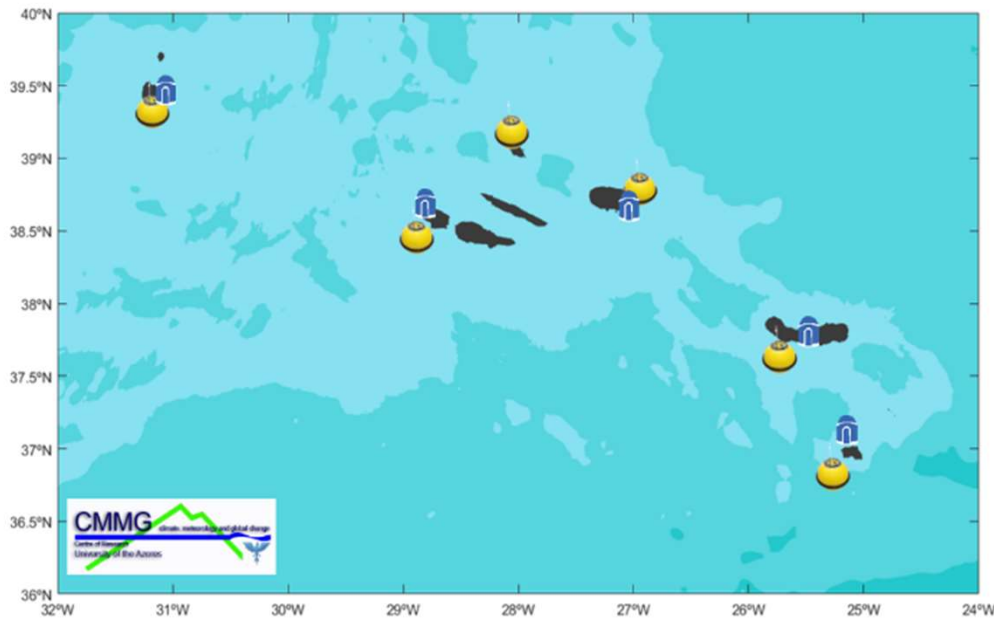


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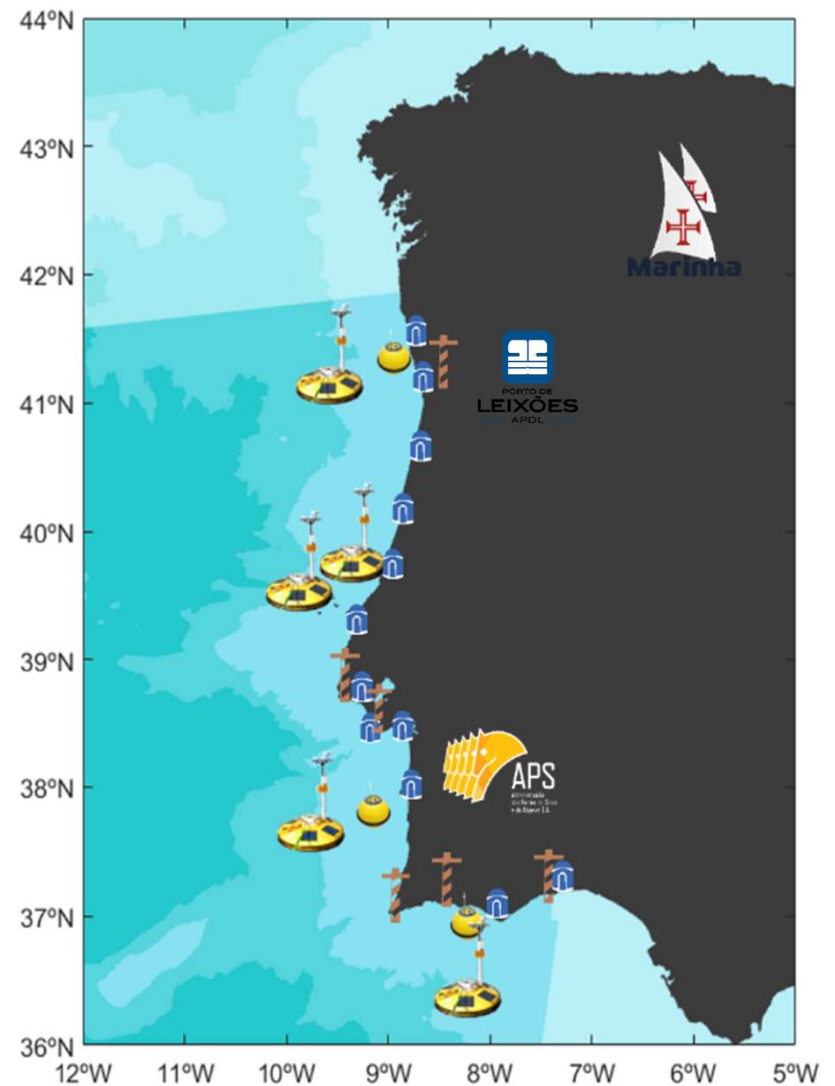
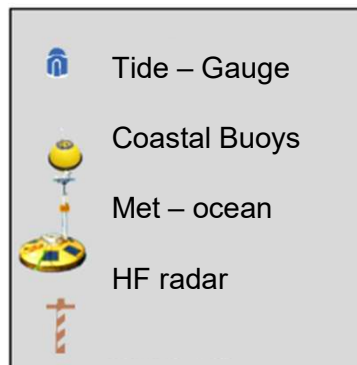
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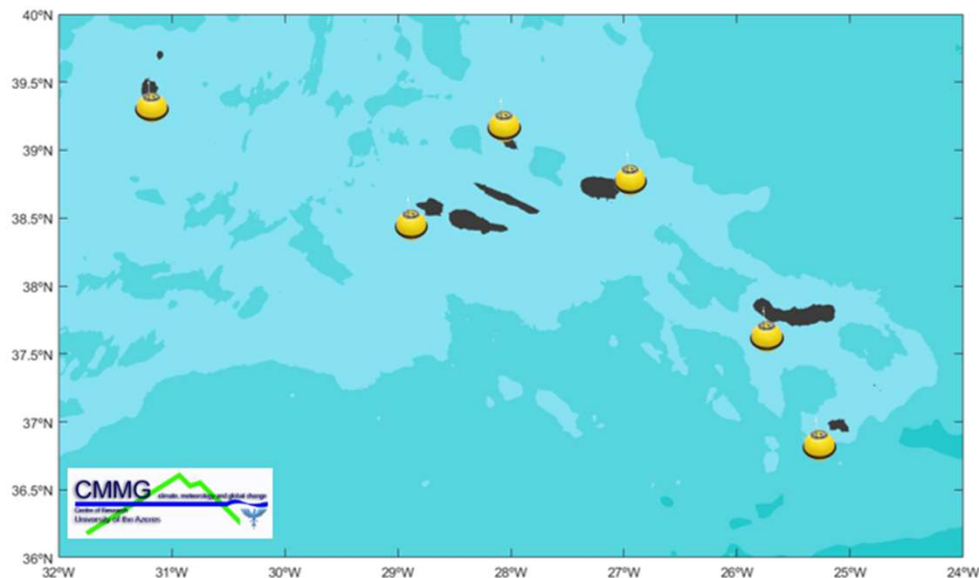
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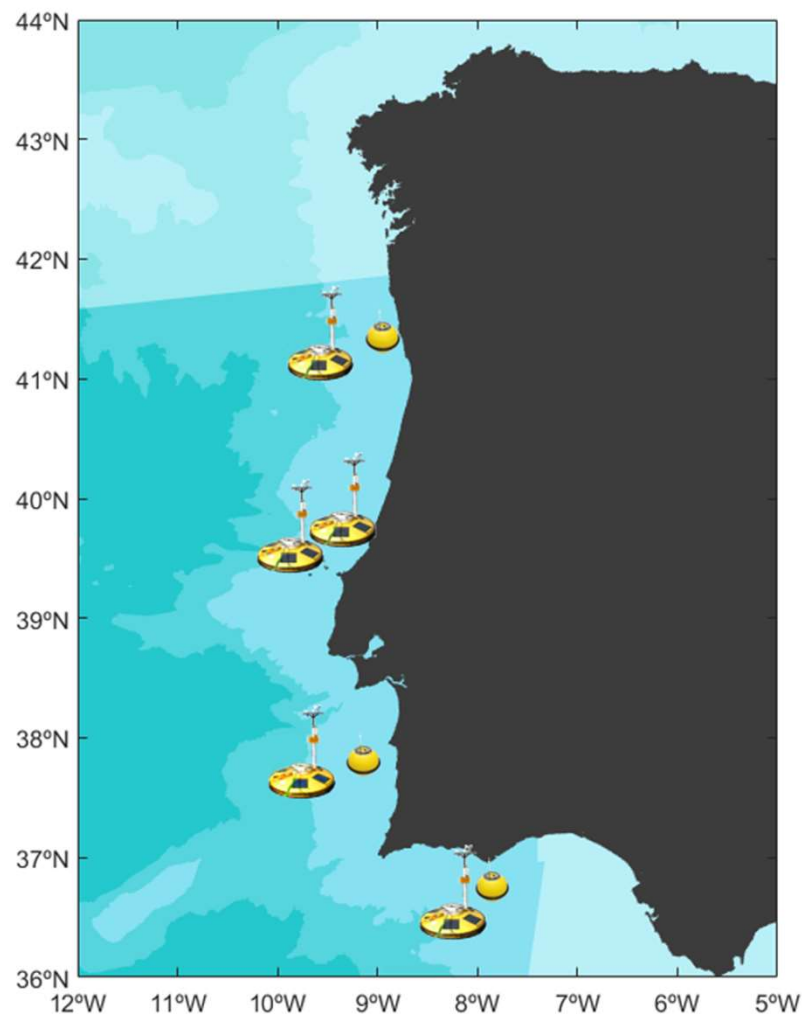
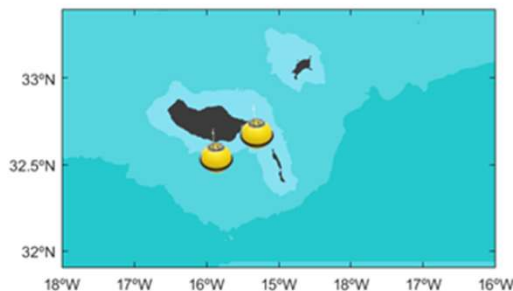


16 Moored Buoys



 Coastal buoys

 Met Ocean



In **1980** the Portuguese Hydrographic Office (IH) and several national entities, started a program for measuring waves.

Supported by NATO, through the program "Science for Stability".



NATO - North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Wave Data since 1980

- Technology evolution;
- Data quality;

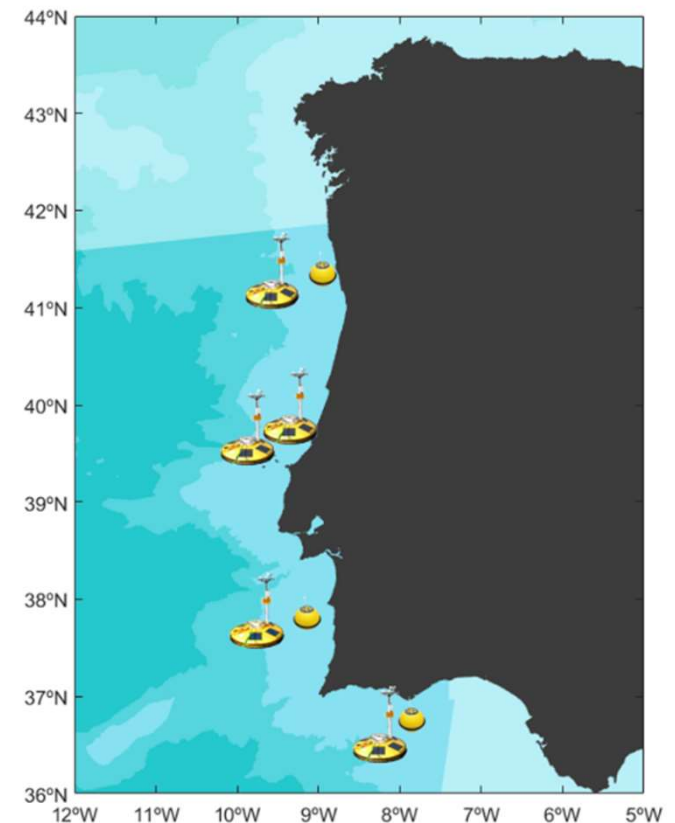


Sensors: wavesense and SST;
Depth: ~100m
Data transmission: VHF to land
and internet - every 30 min.
Maintenance – 1 per year;

In 2009, with EEAGrants and Interreg Europe financial supports, IH started to implement the meteo-oceanographic buoy network

Wavescan Sensors:

- wave sense
- Meteo sensors
- sea temperature
- currents (ADCP)



Depth: from 80m to 2000m
Maintenance – 2 per year
Hourly data transmission -IRIDIUM

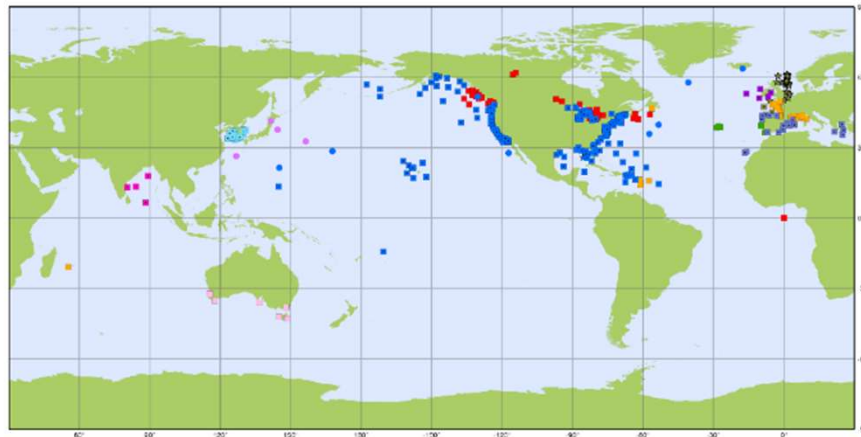
Real time transmission to GTS – WMO



E-SURFMAR Program



Data Buoy Cooperation Panel



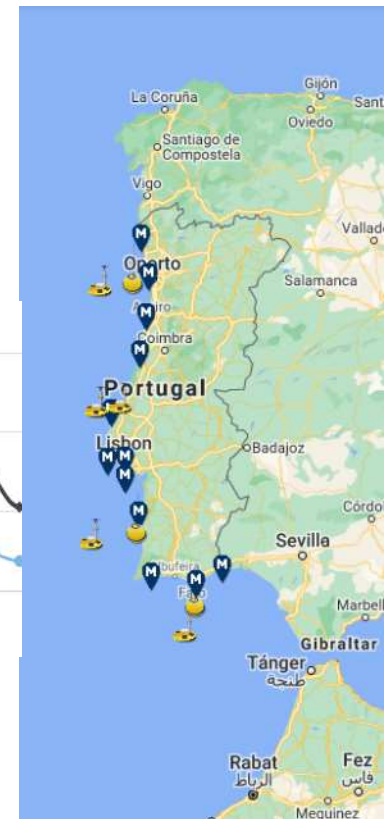
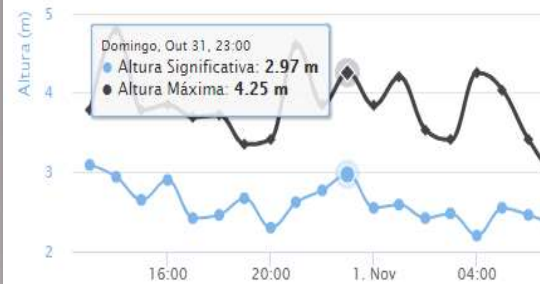
Data Buoy Cooperation Panel Wave Observations October 2021

Platforms providing Wave observation measurements to the GTS during the month. GTS data as received by Meteo France.

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| Drifting Buoys | Fixed Platforms |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● JAPAN (4) ● USA (8) ■ Coastal/National MB ■ AUSTRALIA(6) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CANADA(34) ■ FRANCE(28) ■ GREECE(5) ■ PORTUGAL(5) ■ UK(2) ■ IRELAND(5) ■ USA(175) ■ SPAIN(13) ■ INDIA(4) ■ REPUBLIC OF KOREA(20) ★ UK(42) ★ USA(2) |

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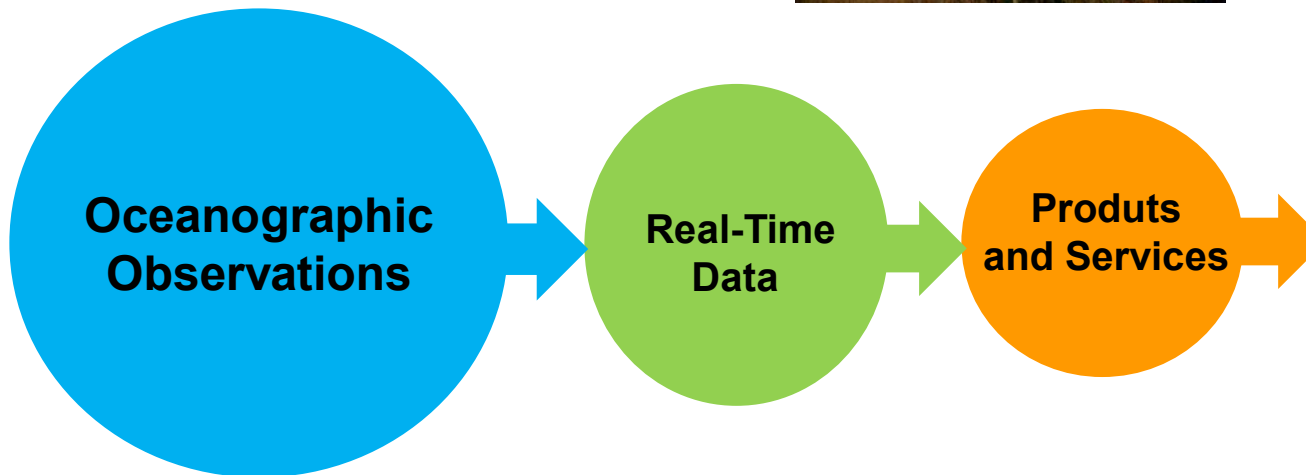
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Society:
Nautical Sports
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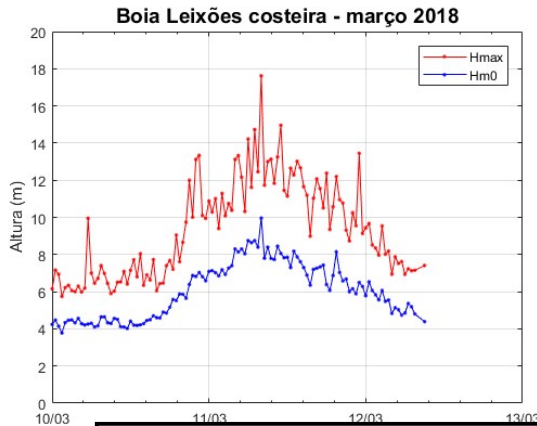
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Renewable energy
Aquaculture
Port Construction



Public Sector:
Maritime Safety
Coastal Erosion
Extreme Weather
Climate Change

Extreme Weather

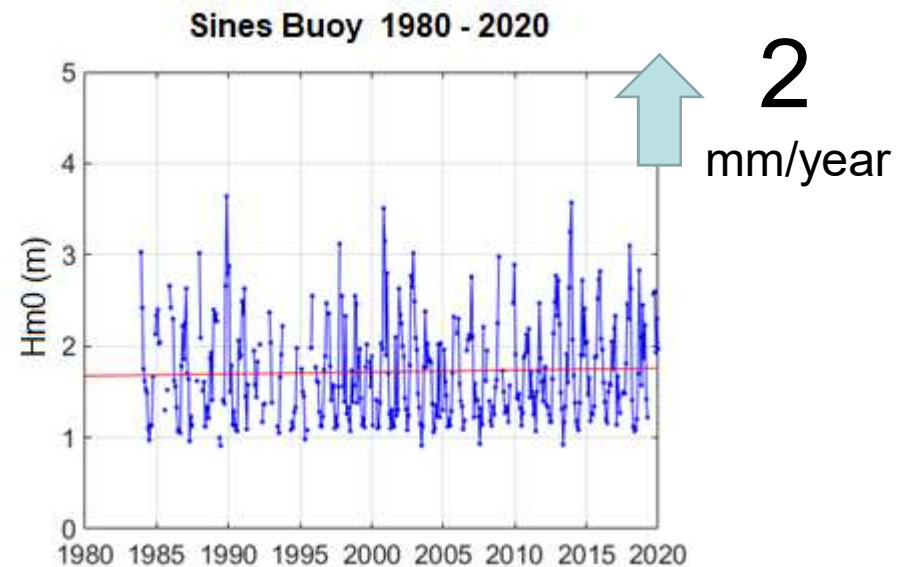
Storm Félix – March 2018



**Oceanographic
Observation**
+
**Forecast &
Early Warning Systems**
↓
Support Decision

Climate Change

**40 years
of wave data**



Long-term time series are important to Climate Change studies. We have 3 locations with long time data series, with more than 30 years of wave data.

Wave Measurements:

Expertise in operating and Data Quality Control for different oceanographic equipment's:

- Datawell Directional Waverider;
- FUGRO Oceanor Wavescan
- ADCP – Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler;
- SOFAR - Spotter Buoy;
- Bares2 – Hercules Control -Spain;

Datawell and Oceanor



HERCULES CONTROL



Spotter Buoy



ADCP



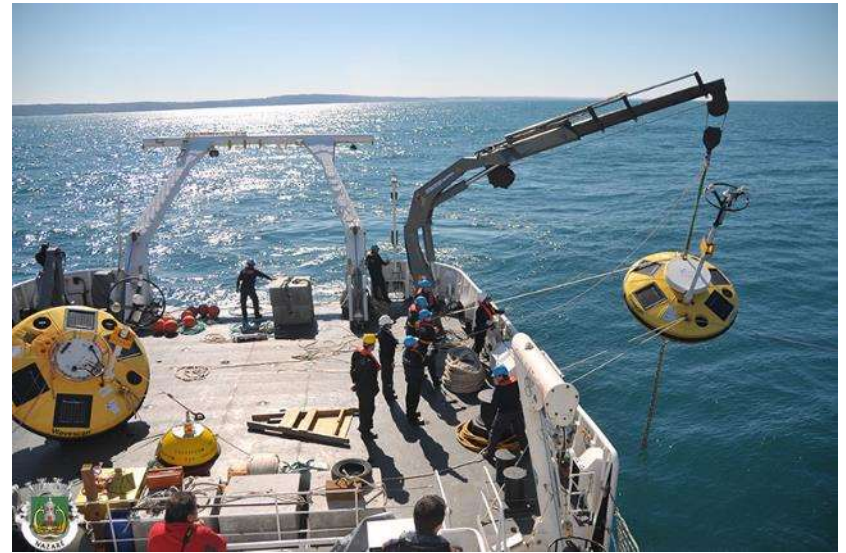
International Projects



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Challenges:

- Vandalism
- Ship time
- Long-term sustainability



Future:

For the success of a long-term measurement network is important to have:

- National government commitment;
- Integrated into a regional or global network;



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