## NOOS PROJECT SUMMARY

For review at steering group and annual meetings

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	NOOS working group on ocean modelling
Project aims at	A1. To understand user requirement for boundary conditions from shelf wide models to drive local high resolution models.  A2. Facilitating the exchange of information on ocean modelling practices.  A3. Evaluate presently available bathymetries  A4. Create an updated NOOS bathymetry
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Present status	A new lead scientist has been appointed at the NOOS steering committee
Ongoing	meeting 2011 with the mission to re-energize the project, and to focus particularly on NOOS requirements for boundary conditions.
Project timescale	To be defined
Planned Developments	A new NOOS bathymetry
Activities in 2011-	Activities related to A1:  - Ask for volunteers to engage in activity at 2011 Annual meeting - Design questionnaire on BC requirements for circulation to interested parties - Assess practicalities of delivering data as requested, and provide a proposal for future model delivery for discussion.
	Activities related to A2:  - Bring together available models for intercomparison and joint discussion on how to go forward (IMI, BSH, met.no, Met Office + others?)  - Use multiple model information for evaluation of variability and skill with a view to moving closer to ensembles
	Activities related to A3:  - A memo circulated by Sebastien Legrand details some previous work evaluating available bathymetries. This will act as the starting point to deciding which bathymetries will be used.  - Enda O'Dea has also prepared some discussion on available bathymetries, and will extend the document.  - A request for bathymetric source data and inputs to the discussion on the relative merits of bathymetries will be made at the NOOS 2011 AM.
	Activities related to A4: - Enda O'Dea will prepare a bathymetry based on best available gridded

	information, supplemented by local information as available.  This will be tested as a bathymetry for the NWS AMM7 model and assessed for its suitability.
Link to project documents	