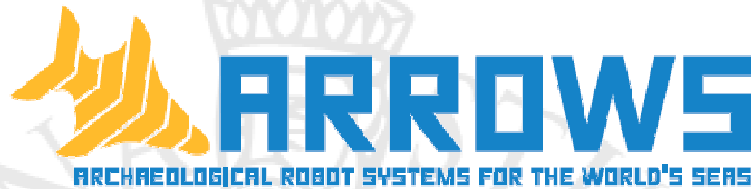




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The ARROWS Project: Underwater Robotic Systems for Archaeology

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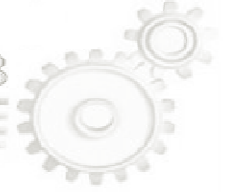
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INTEGRATED SYSTEMS FOR MARINE ENVIRONMENT



Integrated System for Marine Environment



GENOVA
Headquarter



PISA



LECCE



CASSINO



ANCONA



FLORENCE



- Established in 1999

- > 30 researchers

- Shared infrastructures , labs, equipments



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ISME Expertise & Applications

Robotics

- Underwater manipulation systems
- Guidance and control of AUV's and ROV's
- Distributed coordination and control of AUV's team
- Mission planning and control

Underwater acoustics

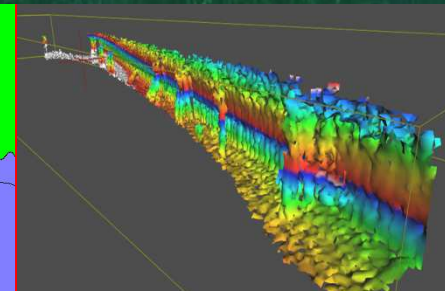
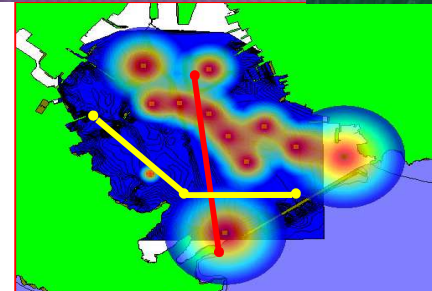
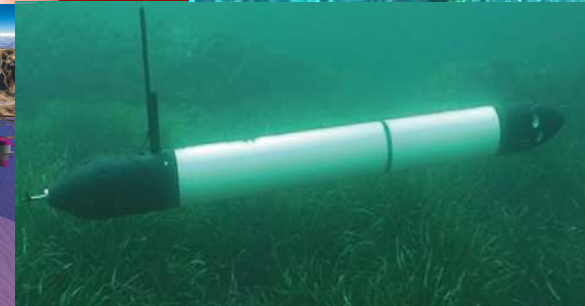
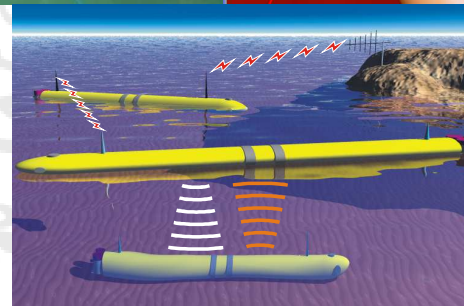
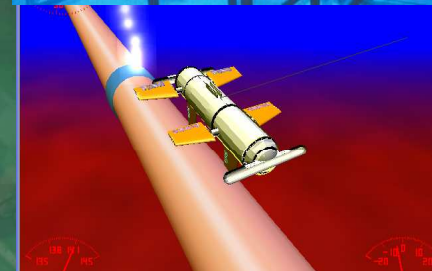
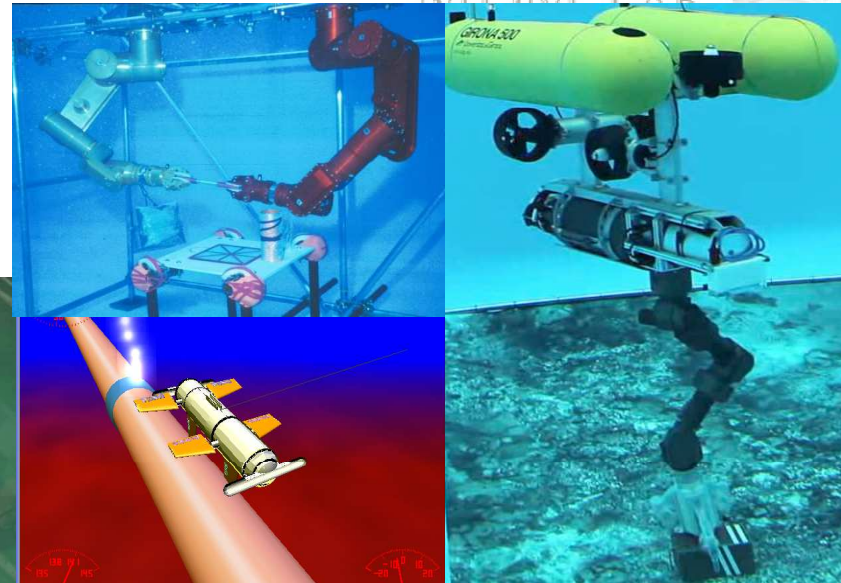
- Acoustic localization
- Acoustic communications
- Underwater optical communications,
- Acoustic Imaging and Tomography
- Seafloor acoustics
- Sonar systems

Signal Processing and data acquisition

- Distributed data acquisition
- Geographical information systems
- Decision support systems
- Classification and data fusion



Applications:

- Surface and underwater security systems
- Distributed underwater environmental monitoring
- Underwater archaeology
- Underwater infrastructures inspection
- Sea surface remote sensing






EU-FP6





	<i><u>V</u>irtual <u>E</u>xploration<u>N</u> of <u>U</u>nderwater <u>S</u>ites</i>	<i>Strep 06 – 09</i>
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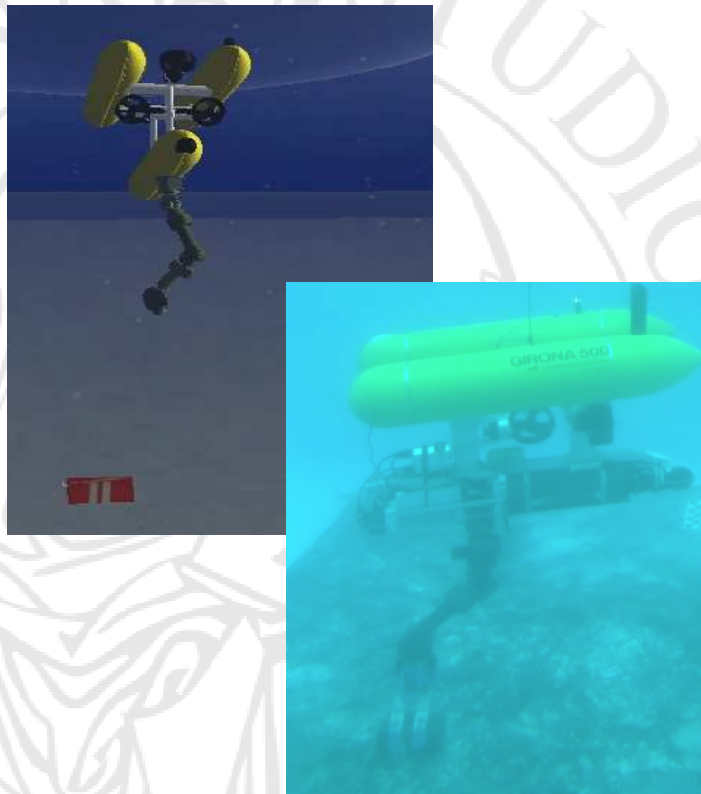
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	<i>Marine Robots and Dexterous Manipulation for Enabling Autonomous Underwater Multipurpose Intervention Missions</i>	<i>Strep 11 – 13</i>

Current and Recent National & Technology Transfer Projects

CS3IM	AUV Team for Naval Asymmetric Threats Detection	DLTM 12 – 15
RIMA	UW Adaptive Sampling via AUV Cooperative Teams	DLTM 12 – 15
WAVE	<i>Wave Driven Autonomous Vehicle for Marine Exploration</i>	Italian Navy 13 – 15
-	Integrated Low-cost UW Communication and Localization Systems	FAS-DLTM 11 – 13
	Cooperative Marine Robots for Interventions	MIUR-PRIN 13 – 15
	Safe Underwater Operations in Oceans	MIUR-Smart Cities 13-16

Project examples:

Floating Manipulation



EU-TRIDENT Project 2010 – 2013

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➤ GRAALTECH

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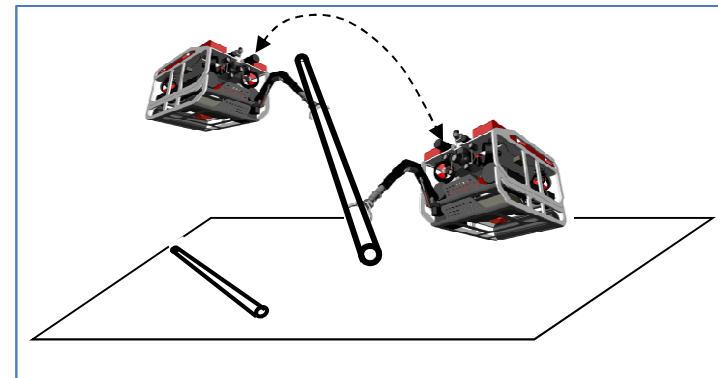
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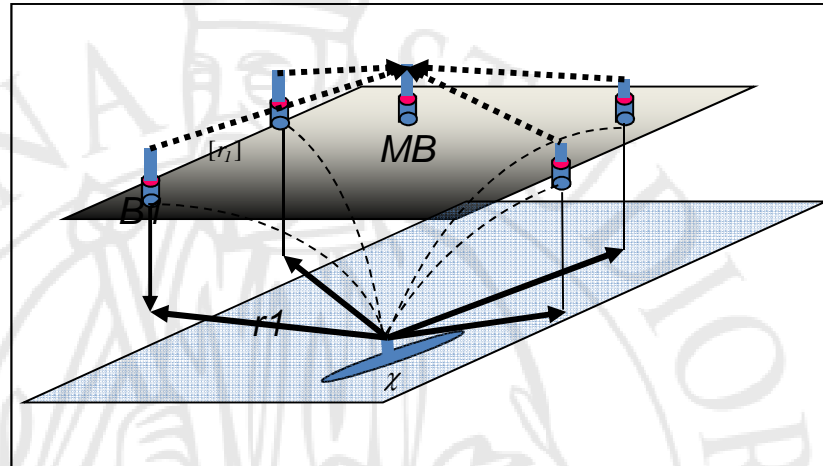
MIUR - MARIS Project 2013 – 2015

➤ ISME-GE-PI-LE-CAS

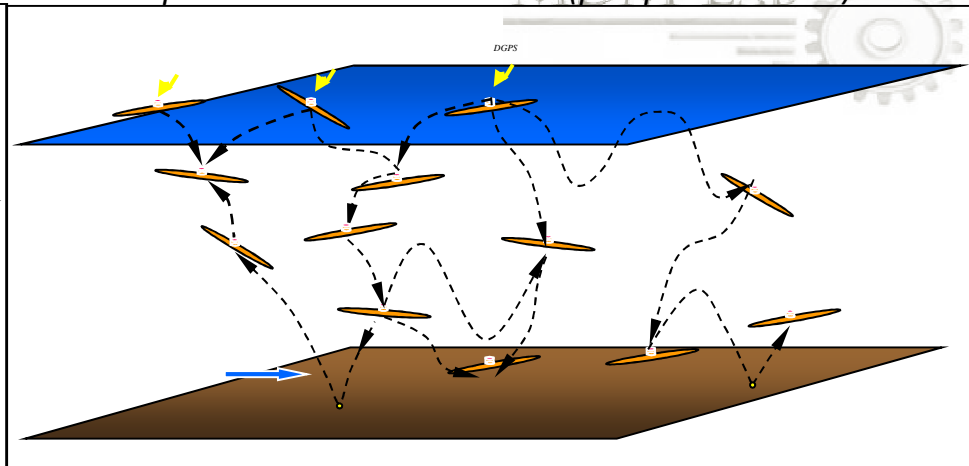
➤ CNR-ISSIA-GE

Project examples: Acoustic networked AUV Teams (UW Localization)

Centralized Underwater Localization



Group Underwater Localization (perspective trend)



Employment of Real-time Ray-tracers for complying with acoustic propagation nonlinearities

Experimental results

Single-transponder localization



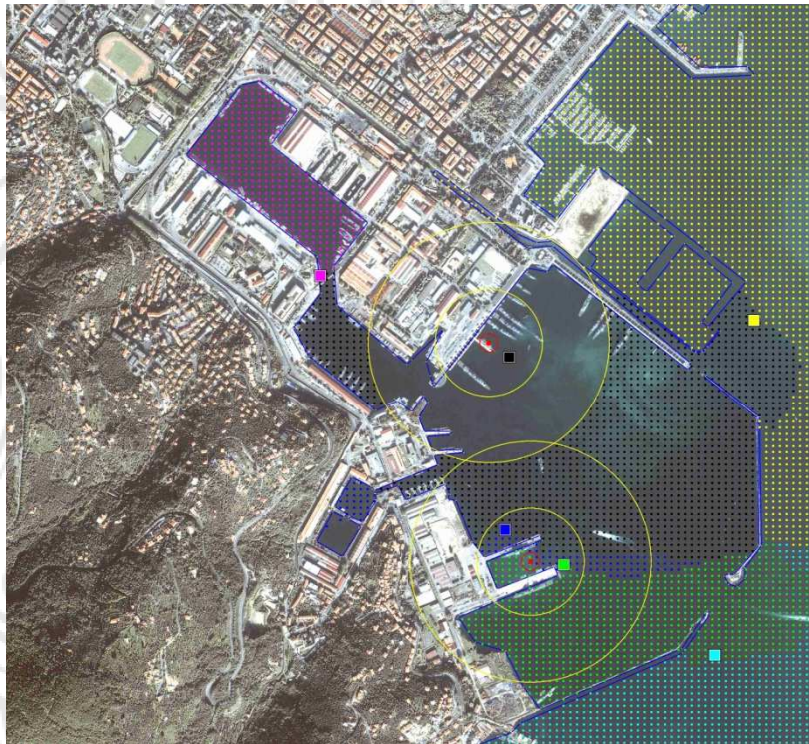
Centralized multi-transponder localization



EU- CO3AUV Project (2009-2011)

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Networked ASV Teams (UW optimal interceptor allocation)



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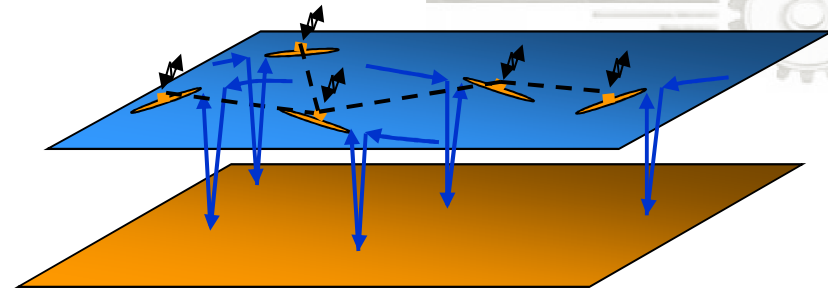
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SIIT-AUTOMATION Phase 1 Project

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Networked ASV Teams (Adaptive Sampling)



- Dynamic Programming Based Approach
- Dynamic Voronoi Partition Based Approach

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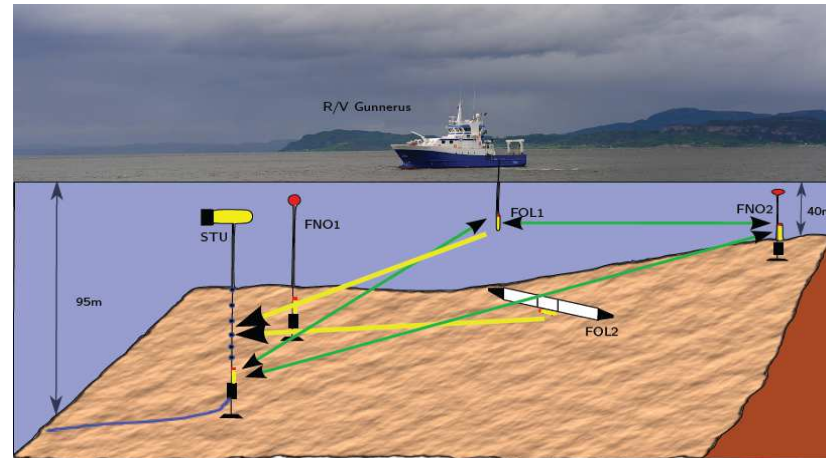
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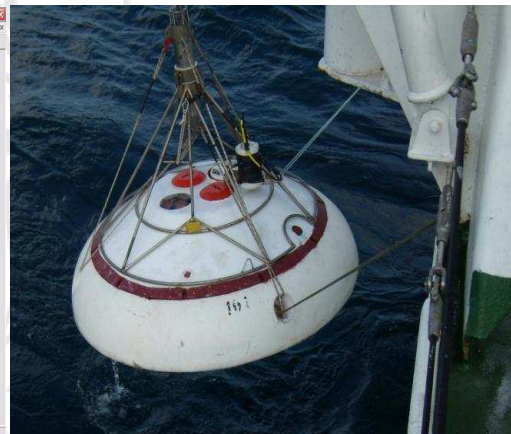
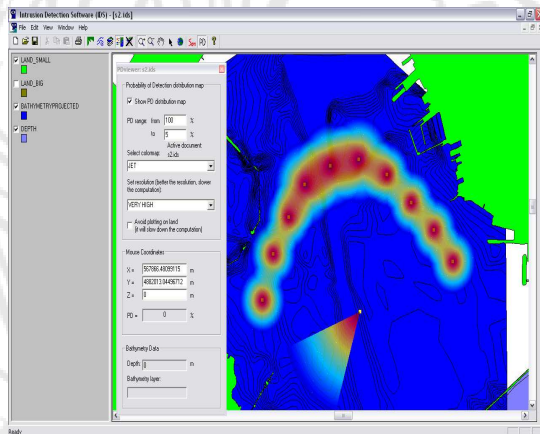
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Fixed topology UW Acoustic Network



*Addition of mobile units for adaptability to varying
Acoustic transmission properties*



SIELCO

*Integrating protection or environmental sensors
within UW Acoustic networks*

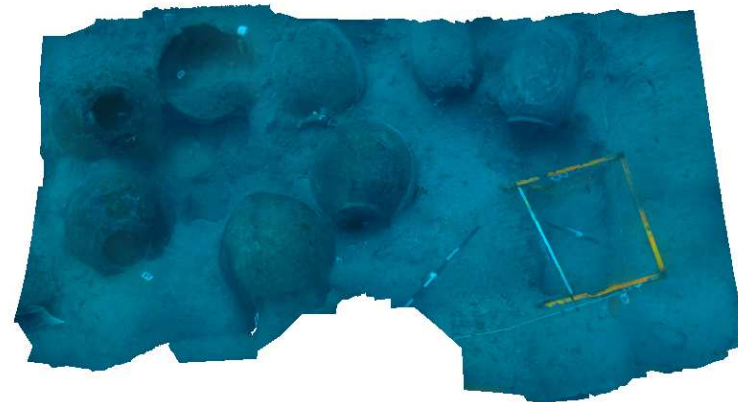
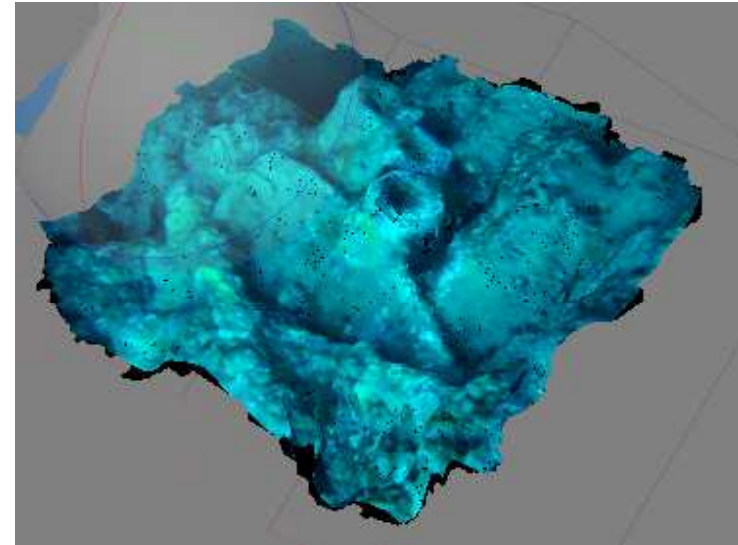
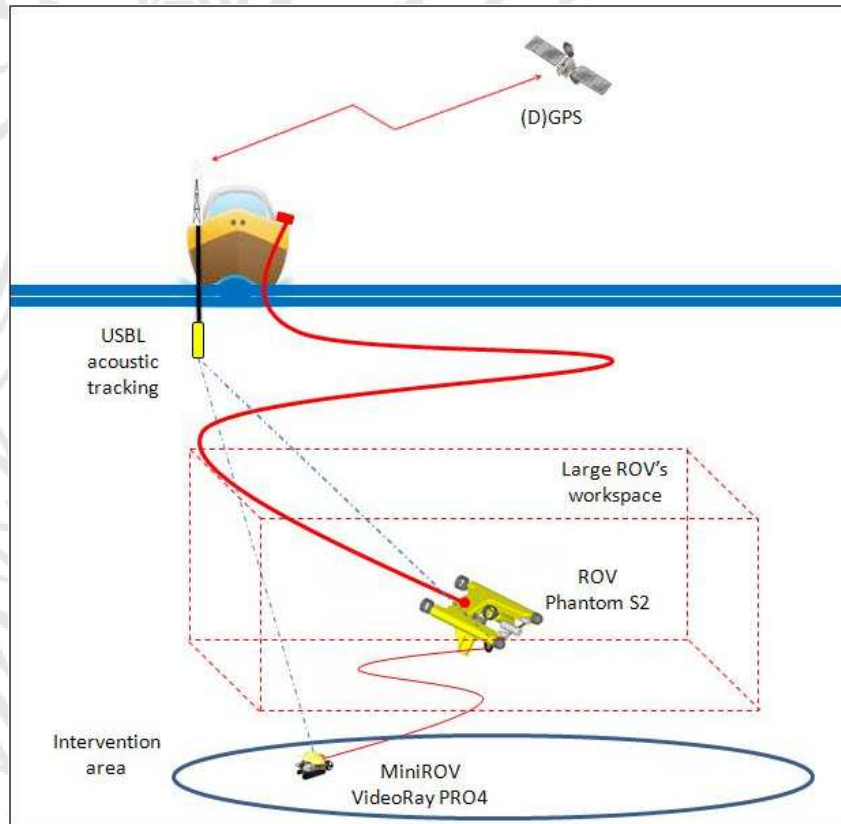
EU- UAN Project (2009-2011)

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Project examples: Cooperative Semi-autonomous ROV Systems for Archaeological Data Gathering





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SAFE UNDERWATER
OPERATIONS IN OCEANS





The roots of ARROWS...



THESAURUS

Project duration 30 months
2011/03/01 – 2013/08/31

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THESAURUS Goals

- to develop/adapt methods and technologies devoted to **detect**, **explore**, **classify**, and documenting underwater human artifacts of archaeological and/or ethno-anthropological interest
- the project tries to integrate robotics and ICT technologies with scientific methodologies which are typical of History and Archaeology

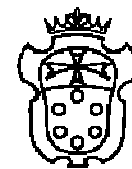


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- **University of Pisa:** Co-ordination, Ocean Engineering, Communications, Vehicle Cooperation, Acoustic Imaging
- **University of Florence:** Vehicle Design, Navigation, and Control, Computational Vision
- **ISTI-CNR, Pisa:** Data Collection and Integration
- **Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa:** Investigation about Routes and Sites, Data Interpretation





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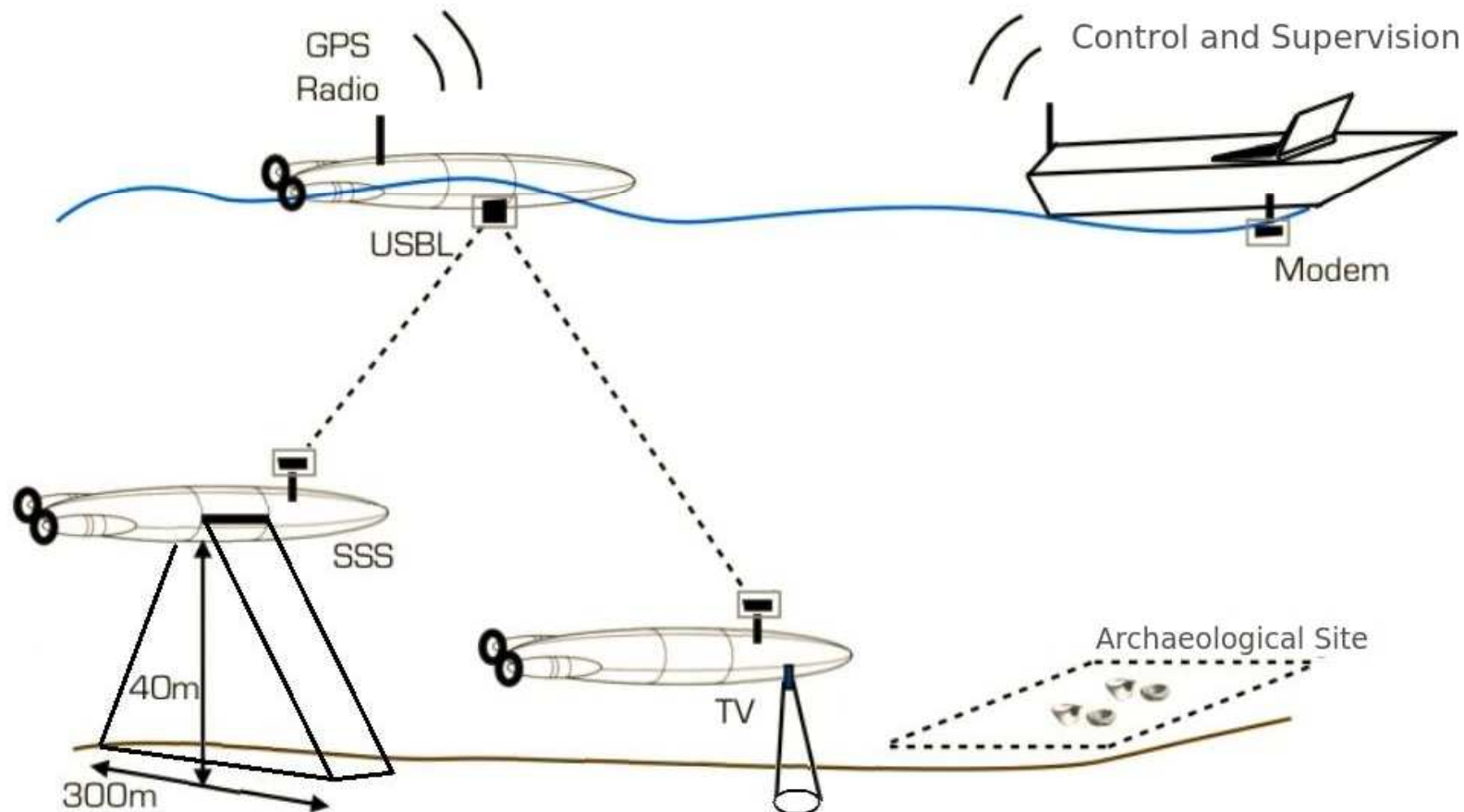




Robot system made of AUVs for
underwater archaeology



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Test site @Lake Roffia (San Miniato),
Length: 2km, Max depth: 15m



Tests with Typhoon 1,
February 2013



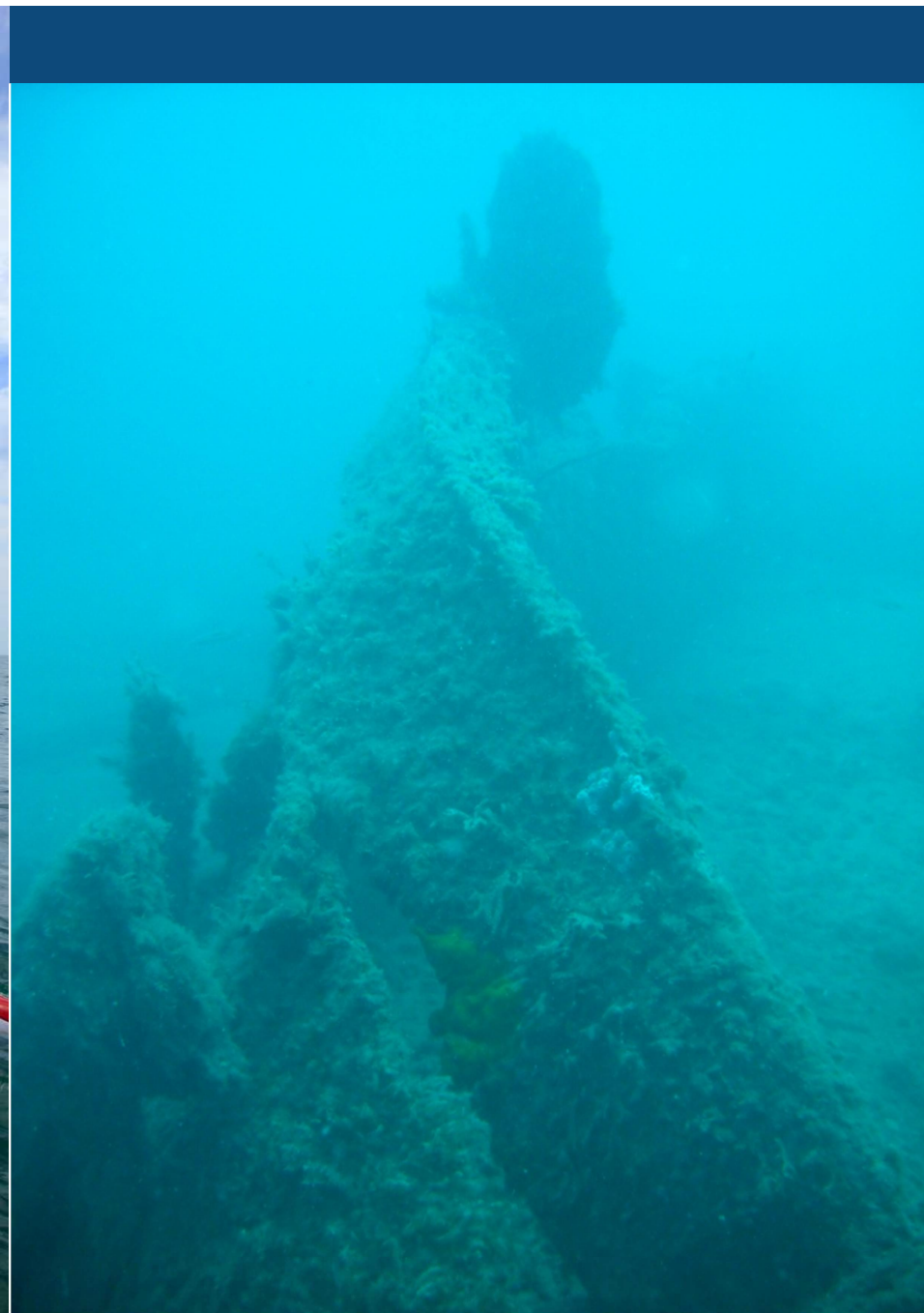


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