

BMVI mFUND joint research project: EasyGSH-DB

Creation of application-oriented synoptic reference data on geomorphology, sedimentology and hydrodynamics in the German Bight (EasyGSH-DB)

Motivation and objectives

The heterogenous and sectorally distributed **administrative data** will be made accessible for **multiple use**. Currently, there is a lack of homogenous, nationwide, gapless data and metadata for longer periods of time -> **Big Data**. Quality-assured synoptic **reference data** on geomorphology, sedimentology, hydrodynamics and sea state are generated as **hindcast** from existing datasets. Together with a variety of **analyses**, these are made available to different target groups via established branch Web portals. Users come from a wide range of organizations in the maritime industry, the administrations and representatives of public interests. Interactive product development ensures a high degree of practical relevance through a **stakeholder participation process**.

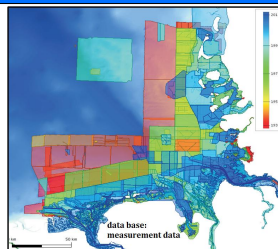
Project partner

- Federal Waterways Engineering and Research Institute (BAW):** Project management, simulations, analyses, data management and publication
- Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH):** Provision of soil-related field data and products
- Hamburg University of Technology (TUHH):** Simulations (multi-model-approach) as well as E-Learning applications
- smile consult GmbH:** Creation of time-variant bathymetries by interpolation model grids
- Küste und Raum GbR (KuR):** Participative product development and stakeholder surveys

Sea bed data for bathymetry and sedimentology

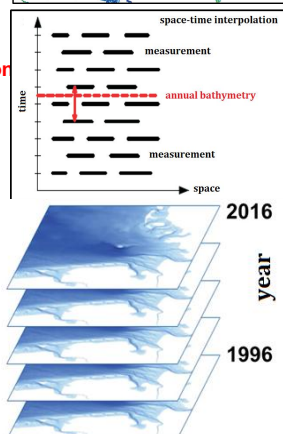
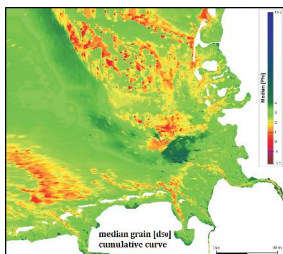
Variable bathymetry on the coast and in the wadden sea:

- consistent digital **annual bathymetries**
 - by a space-time interpolation
 - for each year from 1996 to 2016
 - as a synoptic basis for the different computational grids -> **model depths**
- grid-based deployment

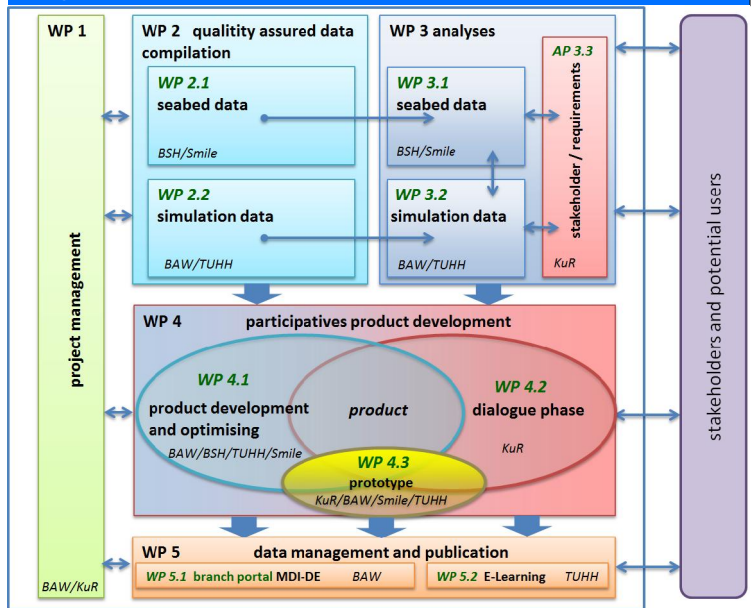


Sedimentology:

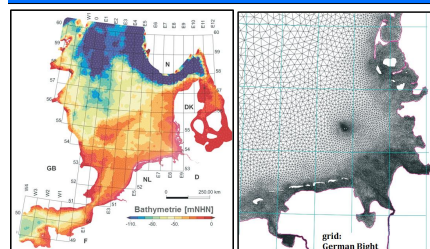
- grain size distribution function**
- spatial interpolation on different computational grids -> **sediment distribution**
- variable number of grain fractions
- constant for all simulation years
- grid-based deployment



Project structure



Simulation data and analyses from modeling



Simulation duration:
01.01.1996 - 01.01.2016

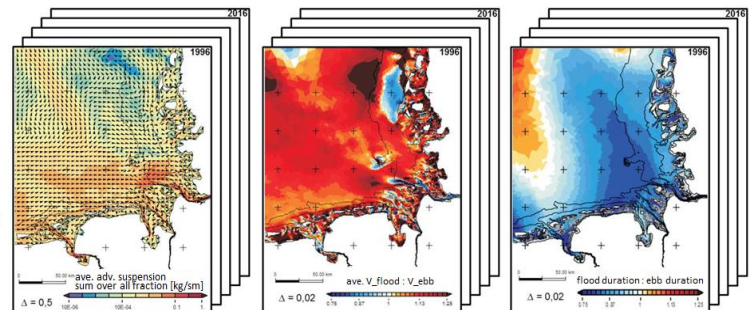
Simulation models:
BAW: UnTRIM², SediMorph, UnK
TUHH: TELEMAC, TOMAWAC, SYSIPHE

Simulation results:

- tidal dynamics,
- salinity & sediment transport
- sea state parameters

Analyses of simulation data (per year):

- partial tides:** amplitudes/ phases
- tidal characteristics:** water level, currents, salinity and bottom shear stress
- extreme values:** water level, currents and salinity
- sea state parameters:** wave height, lenaht and direction



Open Data Catalog

Data Management for Big Data:

Data management for Big Data consists of a hierarchical, distributed **database system** and context-adapted **data models** in combination with a **metadata management system**.

Quality assurance:

Quality assurance is ensured by the chosen multi-model-approach and detailed documentation by metadata.

E-Learning:

The E-Learning modules (<https://e-learning.tu-hamburg.de/studip/>) for **teaching and practice** ensures easy usage of all data sets by potential users.

Publication and use of the data products

The annual analyses of the state variables are provided as

- WMS** for visualization with shape files,
- WFS** for download as raster data in netCDF or CSV files and
- CS-W** for documentation with INSPIRE compliant metadata.

The data products are searchable

- in the **EasyGSH-DB Web portal** (<http://easygsh-db.org>), being
- a branch Web portal of the Marine Data Infrastructure Germany **MDI-DE** (<https://www.mdi-de.org/mdi-portal/ui>), which is connected to
- the national spatial data infrastructure **GDI-DE** (<http://www.geoportal.de/DE/GDI-DE>) as well as
- in the **mCLOUD** (<https://www.mcloud.de/>) of the **BMVI**.