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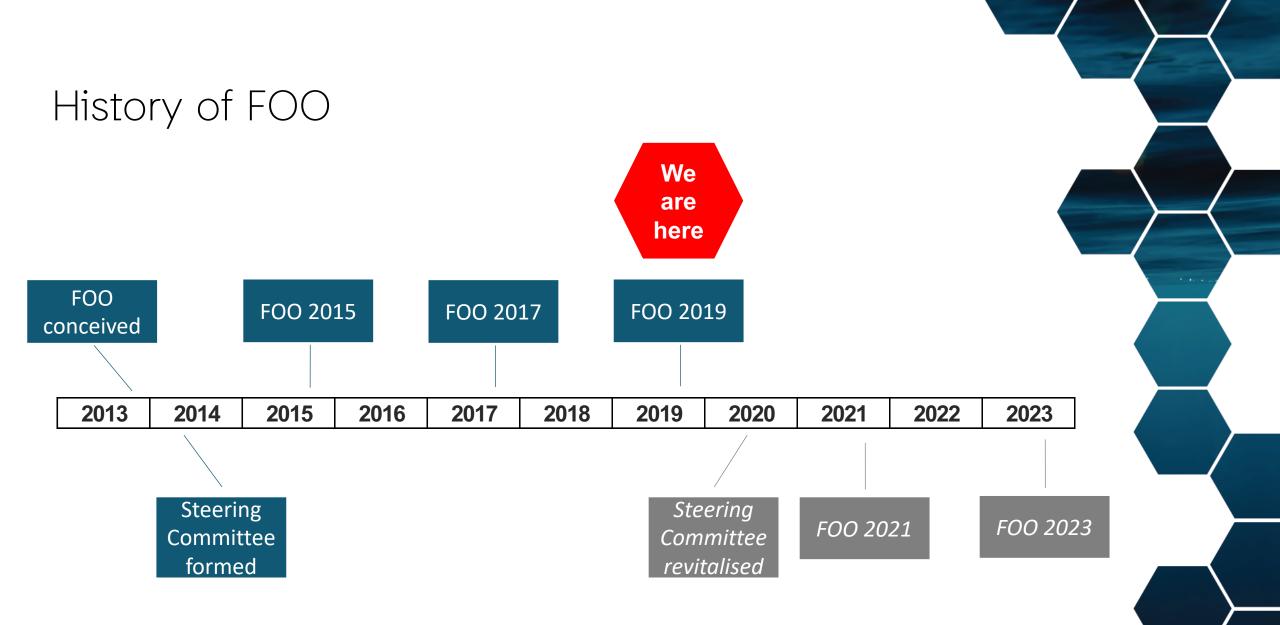
Tim Moltmann (IMOS) – on behalf of the FOO Steering Committee

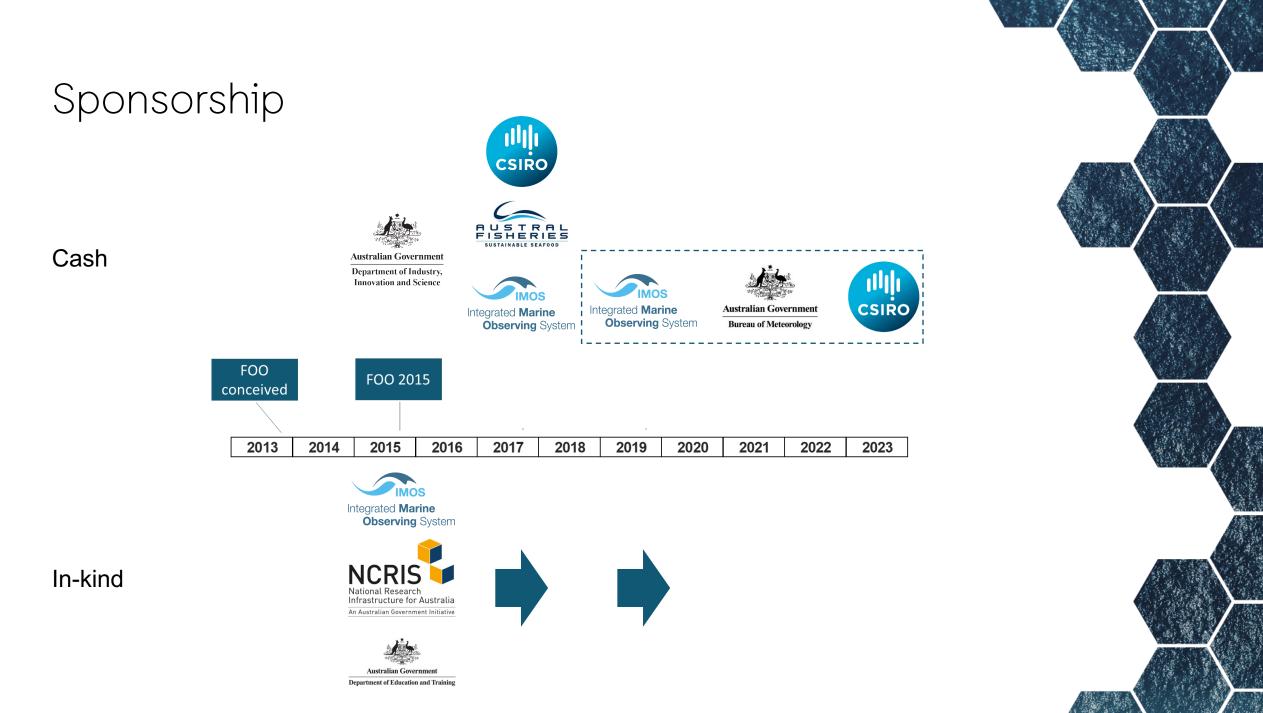


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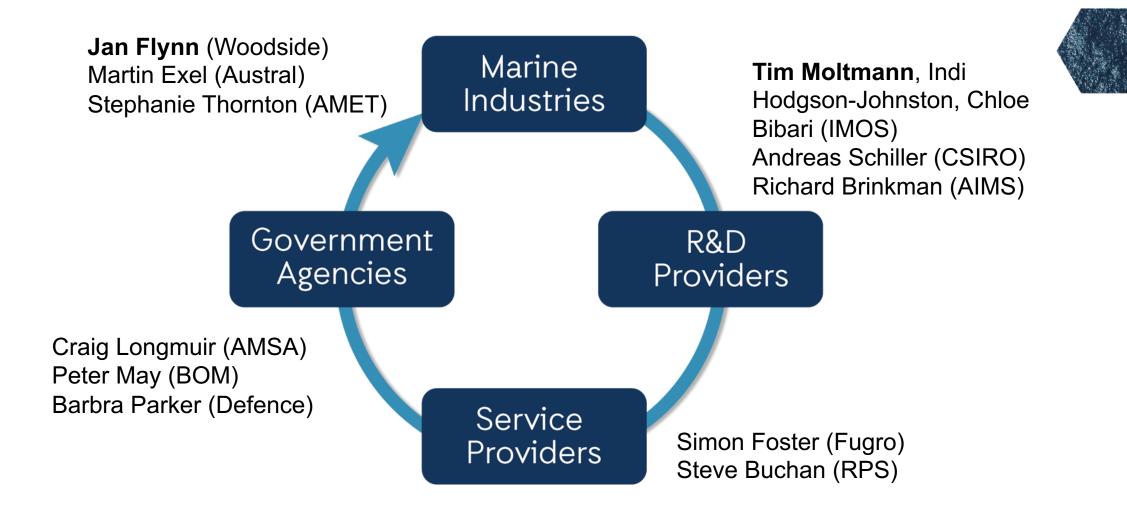
- History of FOO
- Sponsorship
- Steering Committee
- Working Groups
- Communication
- Trends in participation



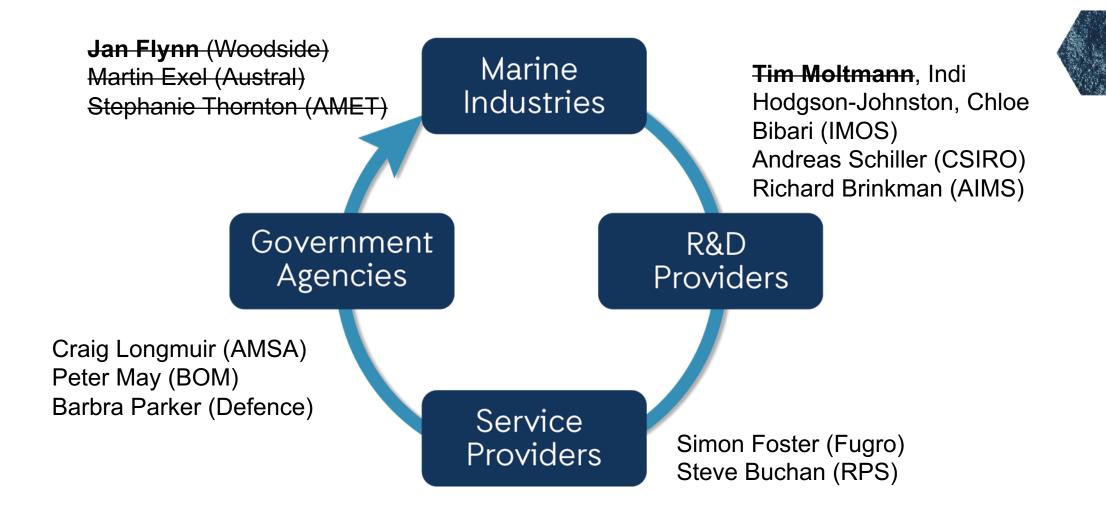




Steering Committee



Steering Committee – to be revitalised



Working Groups

- Surface Waves (Hemer, Greenslade)
- Surface Currents (Longmuir)
- Data Sharing (in abeyance)
 - Positive discussion at FOO 2017
 - Terms of Reference developed, Roger Proctor (IMOS/AODN) asked to chair, open call for participation
 - First meeting held March 2018 (~20 attendees), agreed to identify target datasets
 - June meeting (~12 attendees), November meeting (~5 attendees)...
 - Overall feedback was that industry couldn't see the benefit

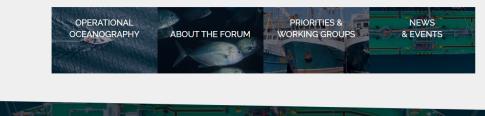


Communication

- Website refreshed
 - Thanks to Indi Hodgson-Johnston
- Community updates December 2017, June 2018
- Regular communication during 2019 about the third FOO Conference
- Going forward we propose to use some of the increased/ongoing sponsorship to have 'secretariat' support for the FOO SC, with an emphasis on communication



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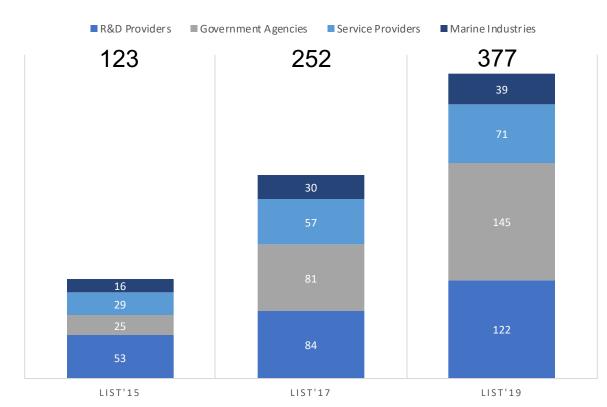


Registration now open for FOO 2019



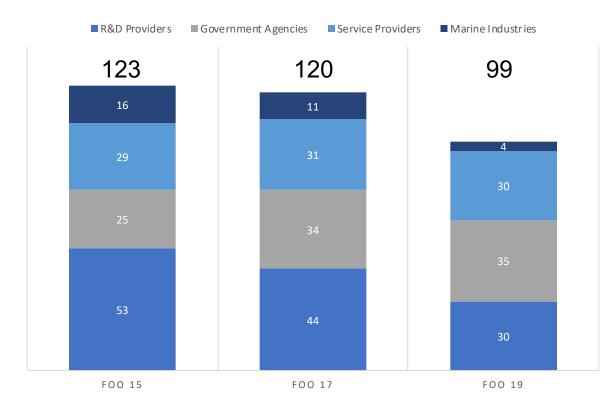
Forum membership (email list)

• 50% increase from FOO 2017



Attendance at FOO conferences

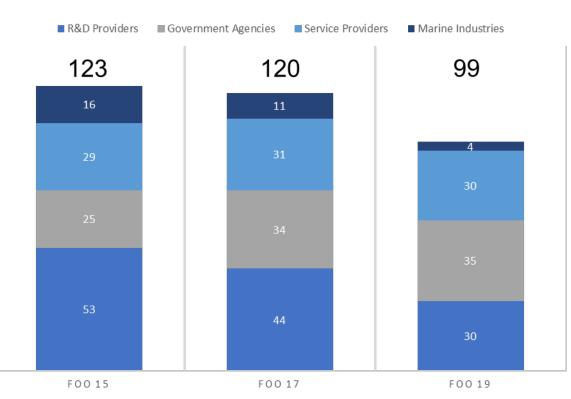
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NSW	4	10	6
QLD	10	4	-6
SA	1	3	2
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VIC	15	36	21
WA	69	14	-55
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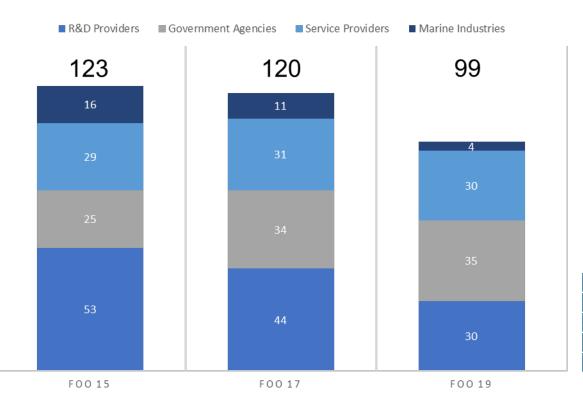
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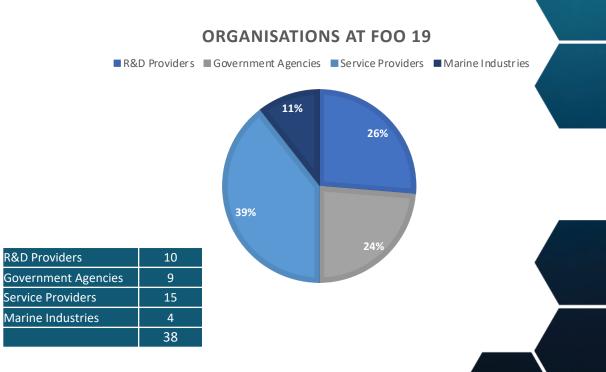
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Attendance at FOO conferences

• Useful to look at organisations represented, as well as people attending





Summary of Forum activities since FOO 2017

- History of FOO going for over 5 years
- Sponsorship IMOS + BOM + CSIRO, out to 2023
- Steering Committee time for revitalisation
- Working Groups a real strength, but topic dependent
- Communication needs to be better resourced
- Trends in participation interest growing (email list), conference attendance remains solid, but move of FOO 2019 to the east coast has dropped numbers including from marine industries











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