The challenge of comprehensive monitoring of European geodynamics: integrating sea and land seismic datasets towards the EuroArray target

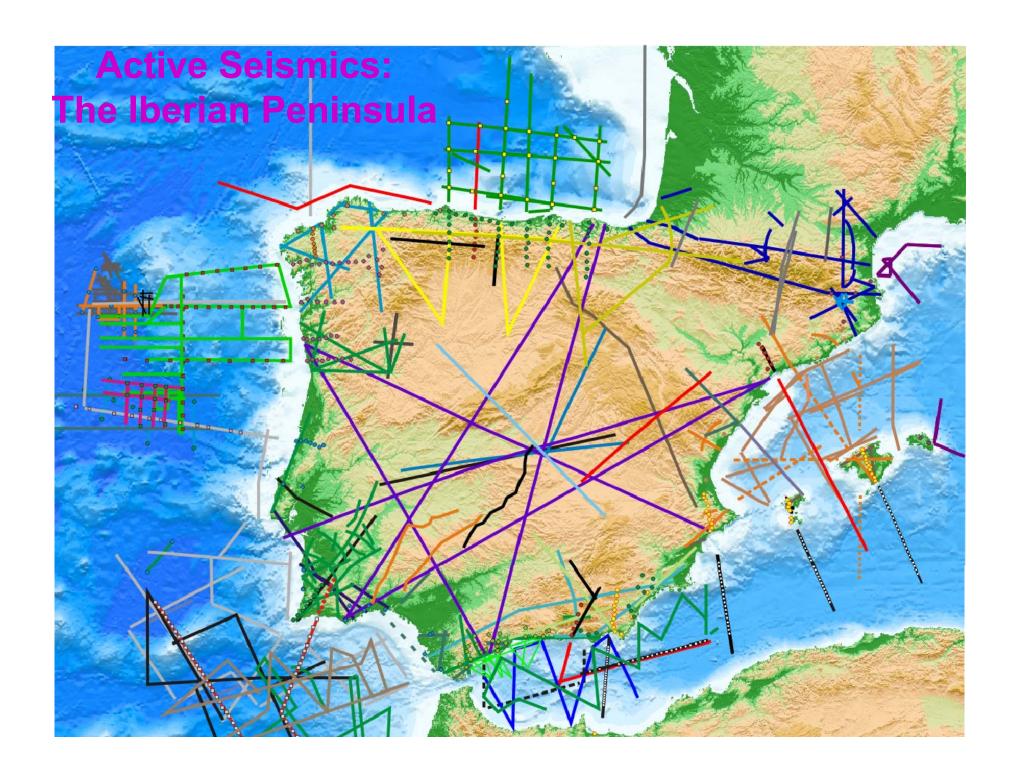
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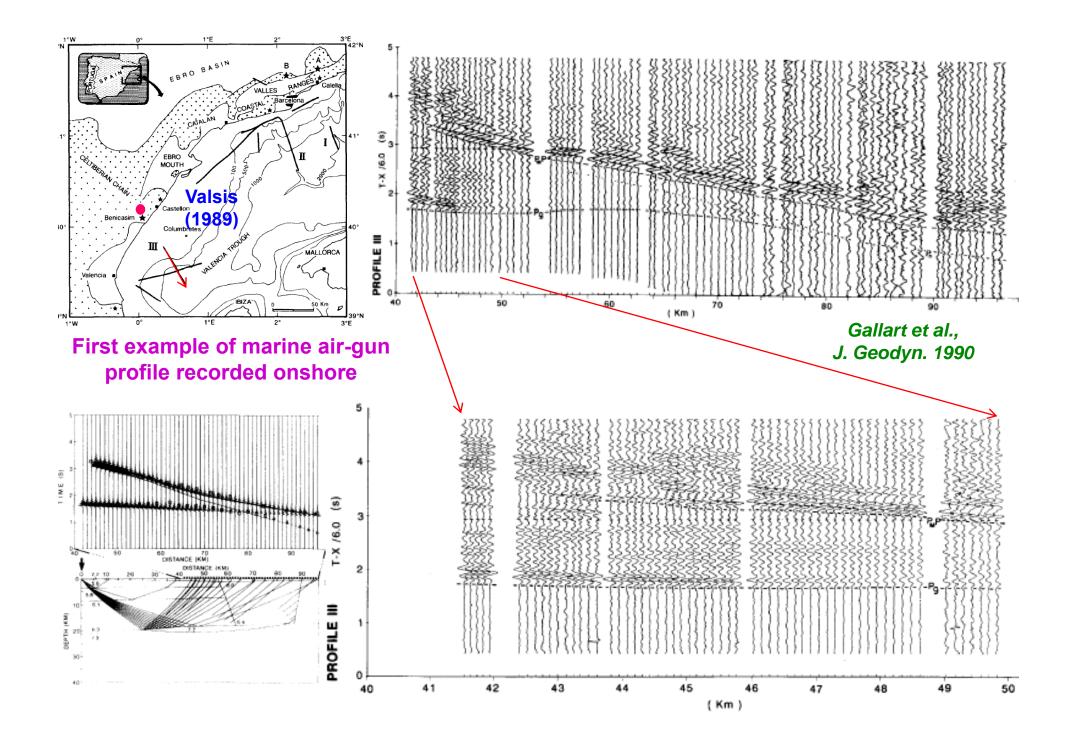


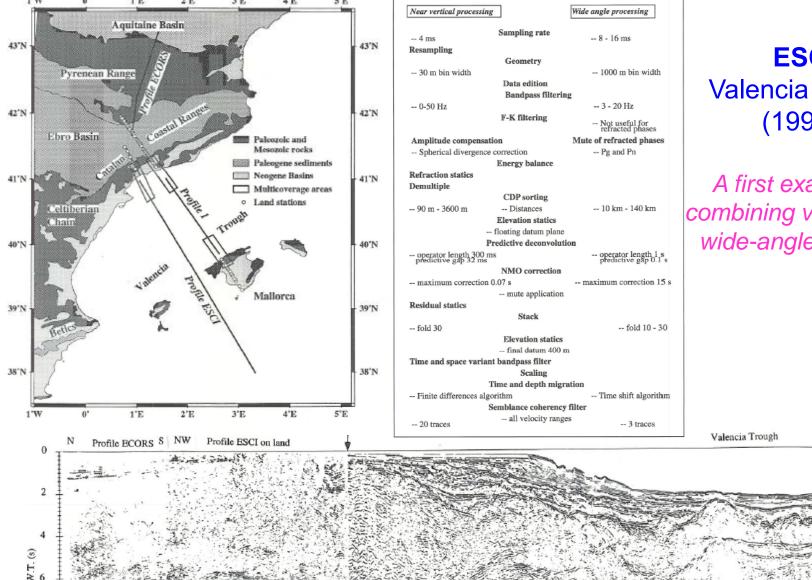
Sea-Land Seismic Research Interactions

From Active Seismics (Onshore-Offshore Experiments) To Passive Seismics (Broad Band Networks)

Towards an EuroArray coverage



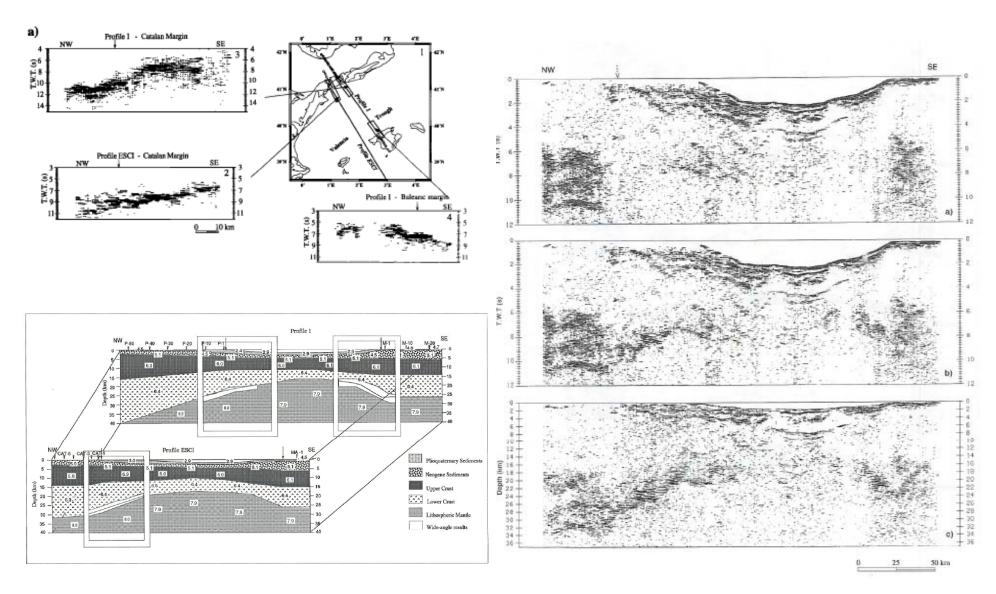




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ESCI Valencia Trough (1992):

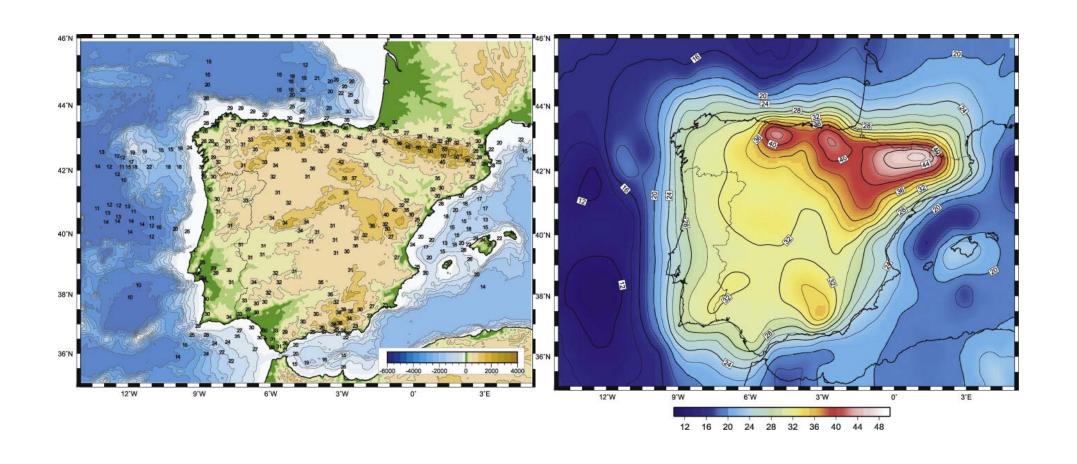
A first example of combining vertical and wide-angle sections



Vidal et al., JGR 1998

Moho depths from active seismics

(Diaz and Gallart, PEPI 2009)



Example of recent onshore-offshore experiments OBS32 **NEAREST** PORTUGAL SPAIN 37° OBS37 36° OBS41 35° MOROCCO PmP -12° -11° -5000 -4000 -3000 -2000 -1000 1000 275 OBS44 5 10 Depth (km) 20 25 30 PmP 35

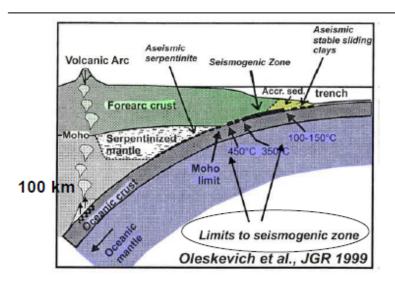
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P-wave Velocity Anomaly (km/s)

(Sallarès et al., submitted)

Combining Active and Passive Marine-Land Surveys: The example of THALES-Was-Right (Strep-Nest EU-Project, 2006-2010)

A. Major earthquakes in subduction zones: state of the art, possible breakthrough in understanding, and the perspective of "Thales was Right" and its objectives



Subduction and associated seismic activity

The seismogenic part of the interplate megathrust:

- where 90% of the Earth seismic energy release occurs
- where 9 of the 10 last major earthquakes occurred
- where the major earthquakes nucleate on an inclined plane several tens of km of downdip width, between 10 and 50 km depth
- where the convergence between the two plates occurs on tinterplate in unstable, stick-slip mode

FOREARC OUTER-ARC OUTER-ARC ACCRETIONARY WEDGE TREACH WOLCANIC ARC FOREARC F

Byrne et al., Tectonics 1988

Subduction of oceanic lithosphere generates seismicity:

- -in the incoming plate (mechanical flexure)
- -in the upper part of the subducting plate (Wadati-Benioff earthquakes)
- -in the upper plate, of the arc and forearc
- -at the « mega-thrust » contact between the two plates, in its seismogenic part.

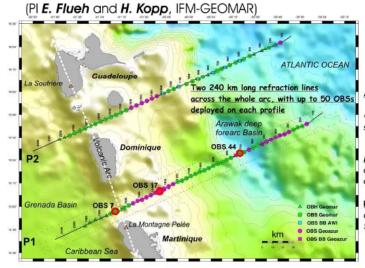
The meaning of current seismicity with respect to possible mega-thrust EQ can only be understood, with respect to these diverse types of earthquakes, if we can constrain

- the accurate absolute location of their hypocenters
- the accurate location of the interplate megathrust

THALES-Was-Right: the Lesser Antilles subduction



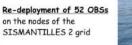
the German cruise TRAIL with the vessel F/S Merian (Jan. 2007)

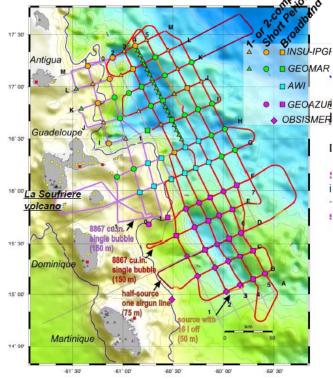


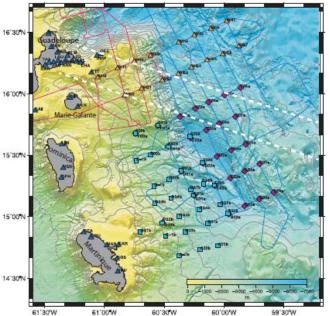




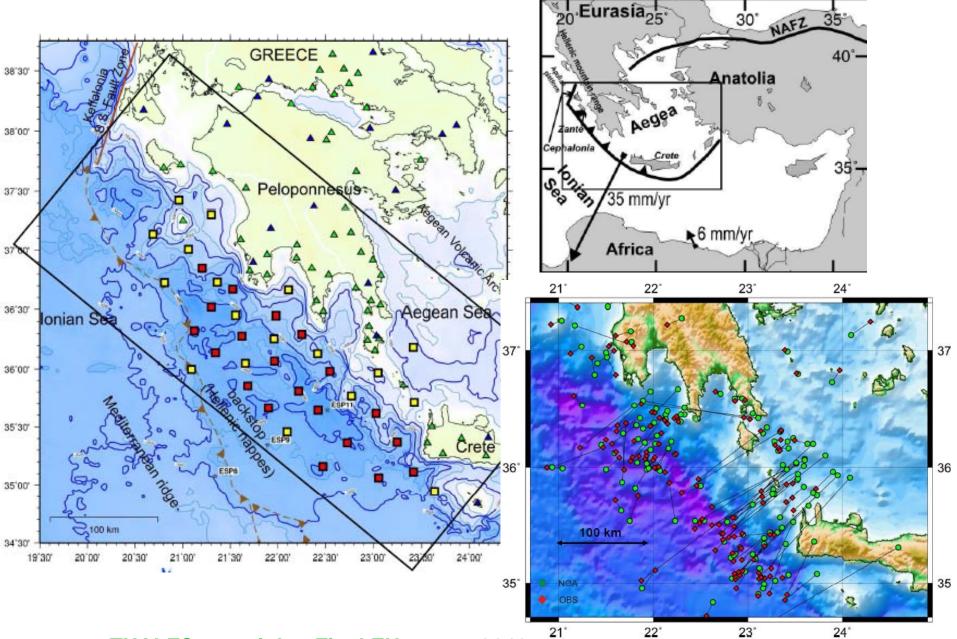
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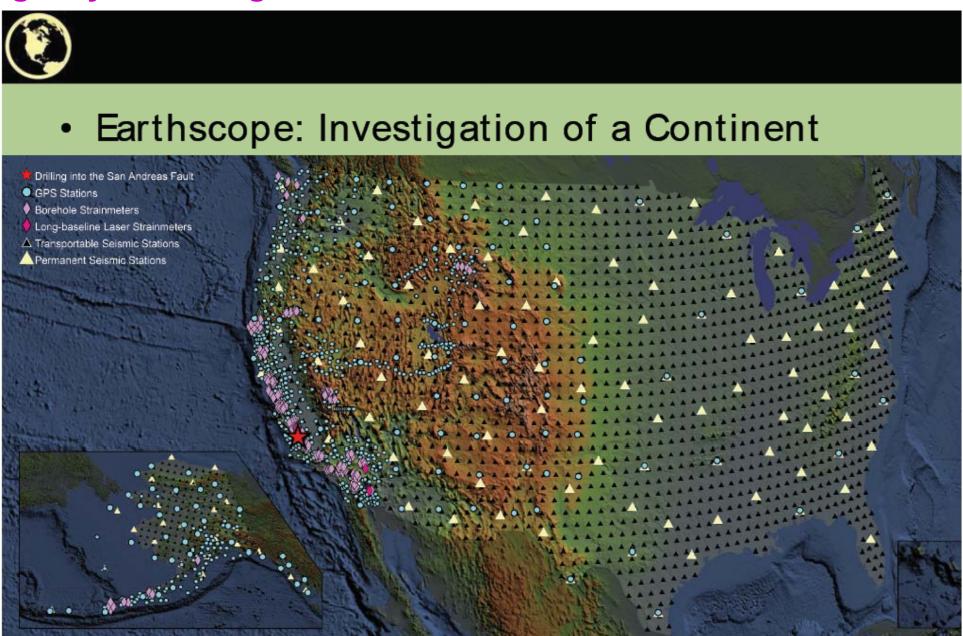


THALES-Was-Right: The Hellenic Subduction Zone



THALES-was-right . Final EU-report, 2010

Aim: to achieve a homogeneous, high density coverage of key geodynamic targets. *The EARTHSCOPE- USARRAY reference*



EuroArray: European counterpart envisaged 60 km spacing **VEBSN** station

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EUROARRAY



Euro Array locations
 Available Seismographs

Hazards – Earthquakes and Volcanoes

Faults and Magmatic Processes

Continental Deformation

Formation and Evolution of Continental Lithosphere

Mountain Building
Convergent Margins

Passive Margins Rift systems

Mantle Plumes

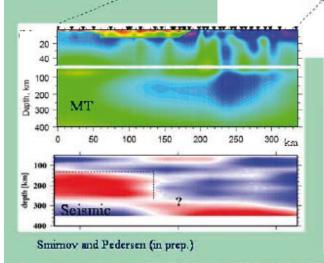
Comprehensive, high-resolution survey of the European Mantle

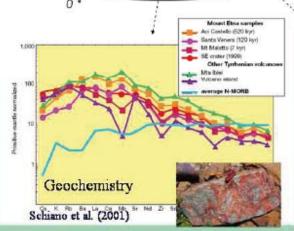
Pan-European Programme: Backbone Array, and

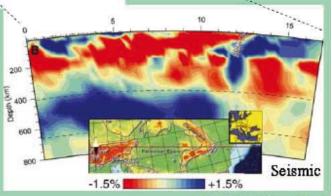
Targeted Projects

10 years duration with

Real-time Data



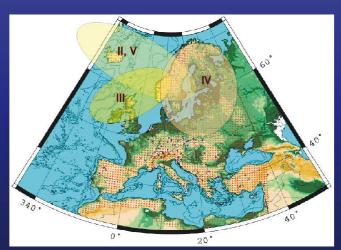




(Wortel & Spakman 2000)

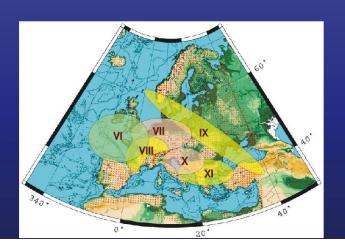
Data Acquisition: 2600 Onshore Broadband Seismographs, Coincident GPS stations, 300 MT Stations, and 200 Combined Sea Floor Systems

EuroArray themes: northern Europe North Atlantic Uplift Caledonides of Northern Europe Formation & Evolution of Ancient Lithosphere Continent – Ocean Transition



EuroArray themes: central Europe

VI Variscides of Northern Europe IX Tornquist — Teissyre Zone
VII North European Basins X Pannonian — Carpathian Basin
VIII Plumes of Europe XI Carpathian And Danube System

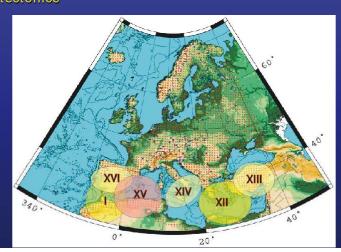


EuroArray themes: southern Eastern Mediterranean XV Western Mediterranean

Subduction
XIII North Anatolian Fault
XIV Southern Italian

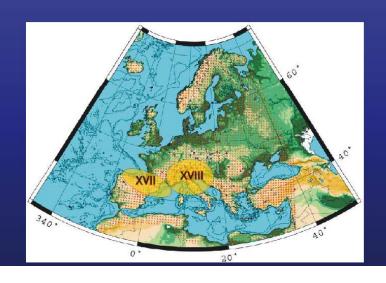
Neotectonics

Processes
XVI Central Iberian Ascent
I PICASSO



EuroArray themes: Orogens

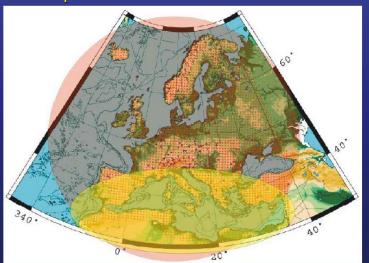
XVII Pyrenean Mountain System XVIII Alpine Imaging

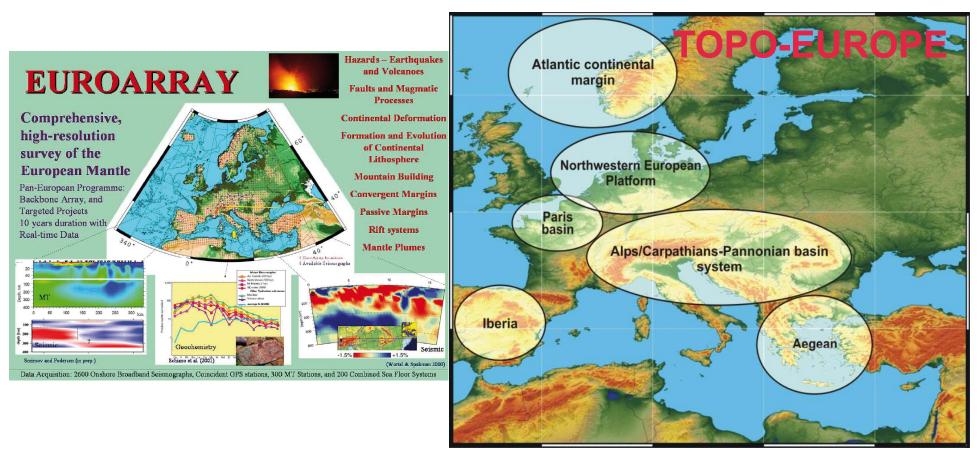




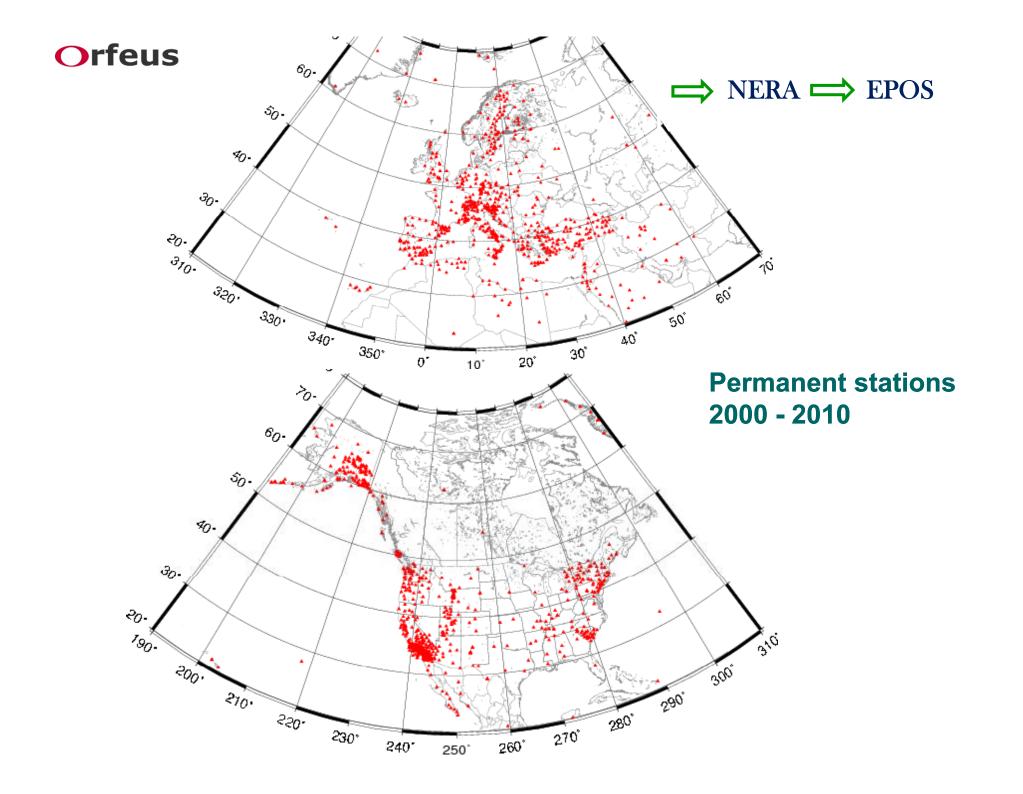
EuroArray themes: general

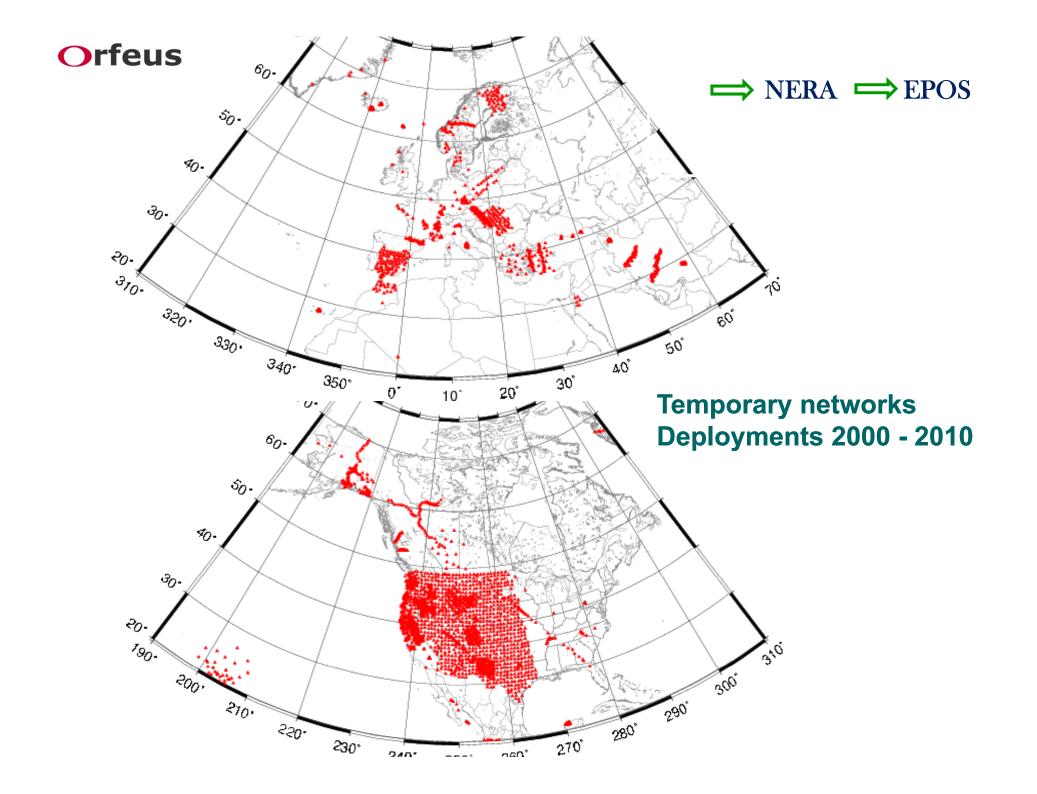
Deep Mantle Beneath Europe Lithosphere – Asthenosphere Boundary beneath Europe European Natural Resources Southern European Tectonic Risk Assessment



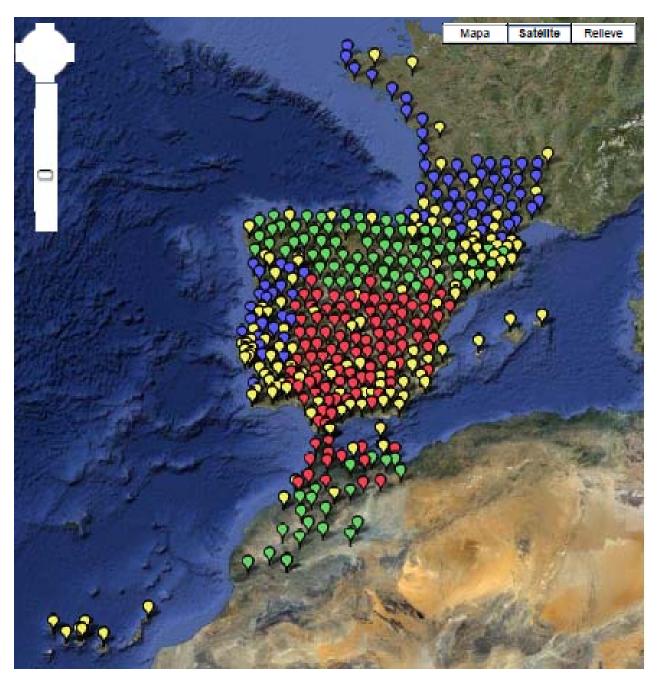


Finally, the EuroArray initiative was integrated in the TOPOEUROPE Eurocore proposal (2006), formally as the observational component of this programme





Permanent Rook/UCM, IMP Rook/UCM, IMP & Cother Experiments: PYROPE







Geosciences in Iberia: Integrated studies of topography and 4-D evolution

http://www.igme.es/internet/Topolberia/

- *Topo-Iberia* is a 5-year project (*CSD2006-00041*) funded by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science under the Consolider-Ingenio 2010 Programme of Excellence (4.5 M€), with 20% additional support by the CSIC.
- Topo-Iberia provides an integrated framework for multidisciplinary geoscientific studies in Spain
- It gathers 10 different Spanish institutions and > 125 senior researchers
- Coordinator: Prof. J. Gallart, Institute of Earth Sciences 'J. Almera' CSIC, Barcelona



ICTJA: Instituto de Ciencias de la Tierra Jaime Almera-CSIC



UAB: Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona

Participant Institutions



UG: Universidad de Granada



UCA: Universidad de Cádiz



UO: Universidad de Oviedo



UJ: Universidad de Jaén



UB: Universidad de Barcelona



IGME: Instituto Geológico y Minero de España



UCM: Universidad Complutense de Madrid



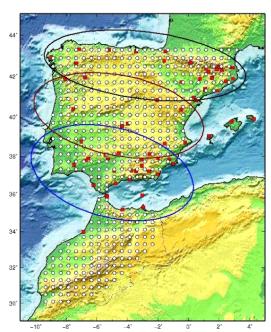
ROA: Real Instituto y Observatorio de la Armada

The *IberArray* Platform

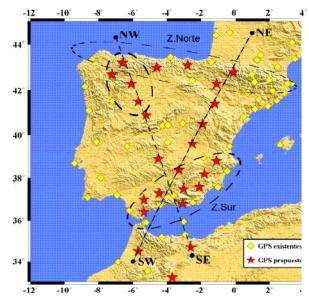


A major aim of **Topo-Iberia** is to increase the data resolution by acquiring and deploying a technological observatory platform, *IberArray*, which includes:

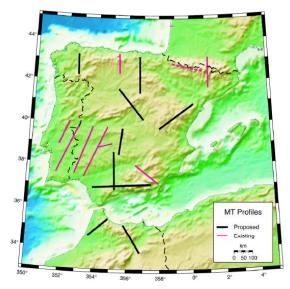
Seismic network



GPS network



Magnetotelluric network









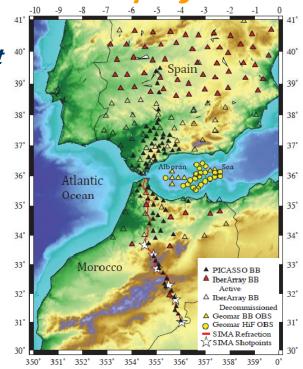
Perspectives of the Topo-Iberia Consortium: Interactions/Synergies with coeval International projects

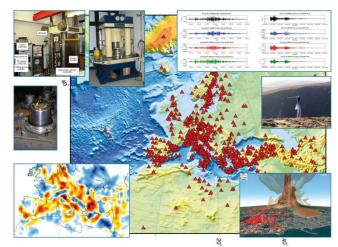
- ► The USA-NSF PICASSO project (>70 BB seismic stations complementary to the Topo-Iberia network) +SIMA project (Spanish-US active seismic transect across Atlas)
- ► The German PICASSO project (20 BB stations)
- ► The IRISH PICASSO project (*Magnetotelluric transects*)
- ► The TOPOEUROPE ESF-EUROCORE Programme

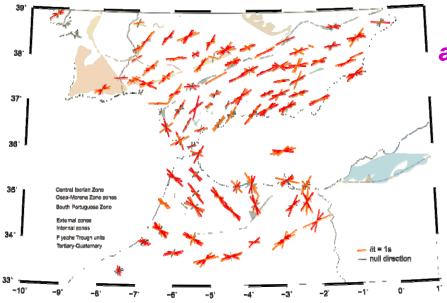
 *Projects: Topo-Med, PyrTec, Source-to-Sink,...)
- ► The TOPO-MOD-Marie Curie ITN project
- ► The Nearest-EU/FP6 project: (tsunami research)
 Included one year deploy of 24 OBS in the Gulf of Cadiz
- ► The WILAS project (BB seismic coverage of Portugal)
- ► The Pyrope and Resif projects (BB seismic coverage of north Pyrenees domains and permanent French network)
- ► The NERA-EU/FP7 project (Infrastructures for earthquake risk assessment)
- ► The EPOS: European Plate Observing System (included in the ESFRI Road Map):

 Spanish Consortium based on 'Topo-Iberia' Team







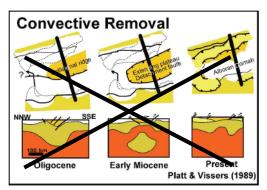


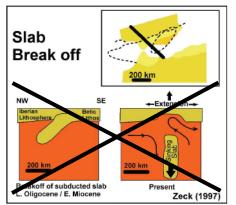
Many research topics need to be further addressed by collecting seismic datasets offshore

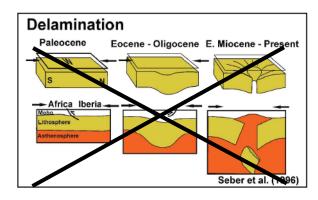
Example: SKS Anisotropy in the Gibraltar Arc System

FPD clearly follow a spectacular rotation along the Gibraltar arc following the curvature of the Rif-Betic chain

An abrupt change on the FPD appears to the S and SE of the Betic-Rif chain



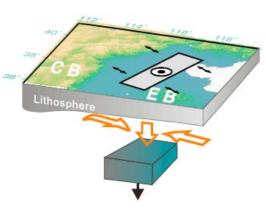




Geodynamical models implying asthenospheric upwelling do not see compatible with the results as the expected anisotropic pattern would radial rather than arc parallel



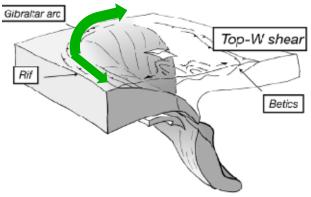
Lithosphere



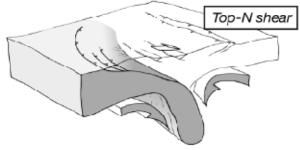
Retreating Slab Models seem to explain the extensional features beneath the Gibraltar arc

The arc parallel FPD may correspond to the trench parallel anisotropy acquired while the Western Mediterranen Subduction was active

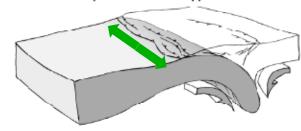
20-8 Ma: westward slab retreat subduction without convergence, E-W extension



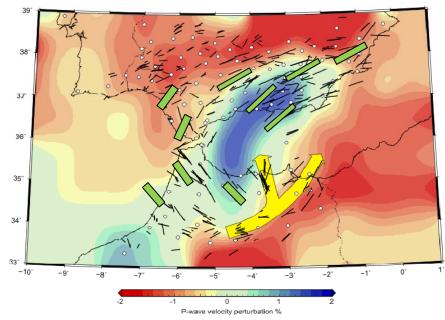
30-20 Ma: southward slab retreat and N-S extension subduction with convergence



35 Ma : subduction with convergence build up of the Betic-Rif nappe stack



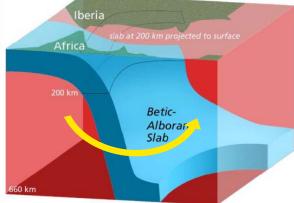
Adapted from Jolivet et al., 2008



The pattern variation beneath NE Morocco can be related to the imprint of a Miocene mantle flow episode during the roll-back emplacement of the Gibraltar arc, remained "frozen-in" in the lithospheric mantle since then...

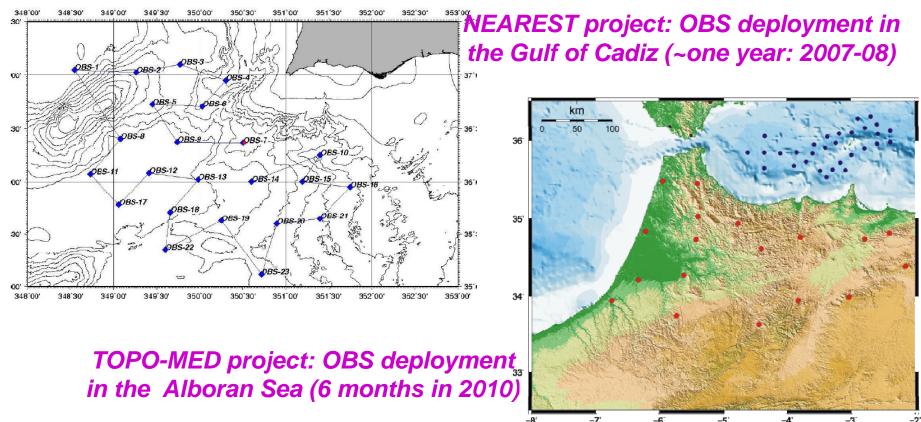
....or to a present-day process, related to the slab roll-back and perhaps facilitated by the lithospheric thinning beneath the Atlas belt

(Diaz et al, GRL 2010)



Wortel and Spakman, 2000

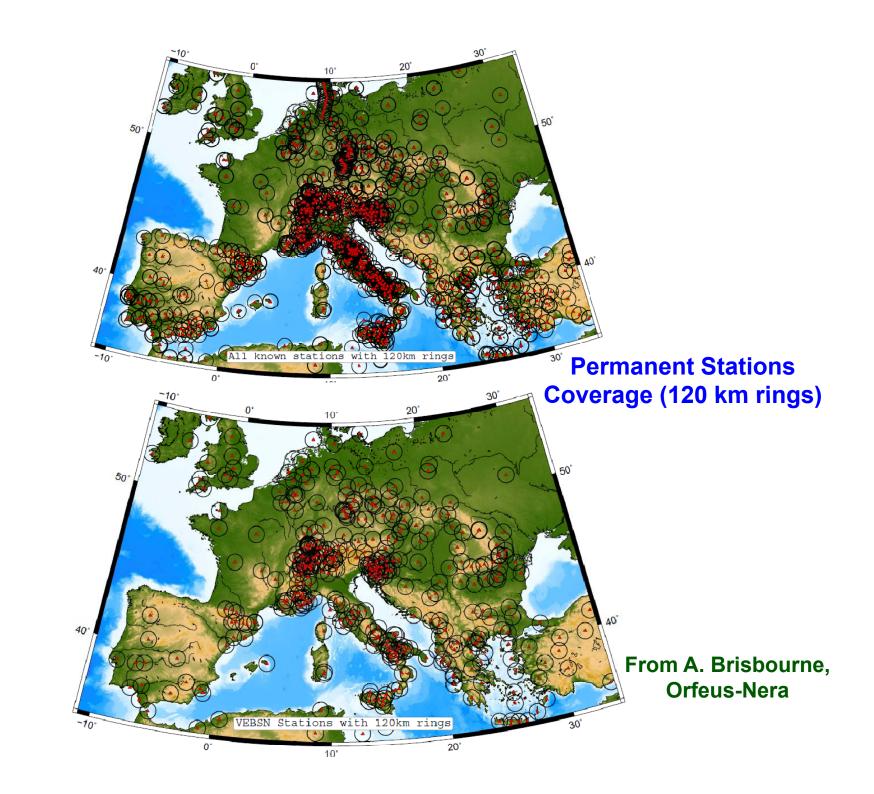
Examples of temporary OBS deployments for passive seismics in W-Mediterranean



Examples of Permanent Ocean Bottom Systems in the Mediterranean Sea:

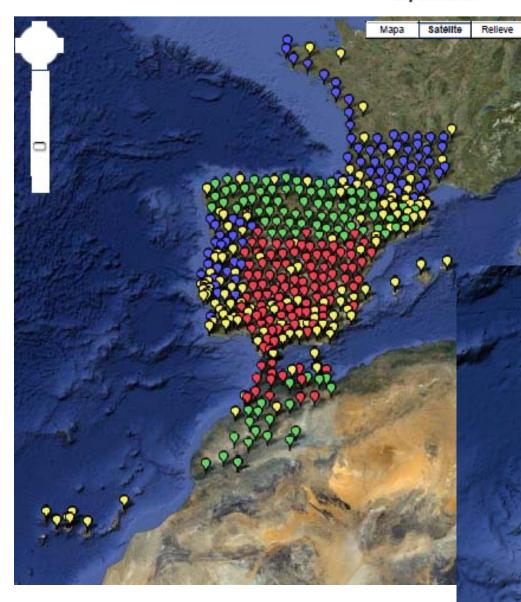
- -GEOSTAR (NEAREST-EMSO) in Gulf of Cadiz
- -FOMAR (ROA) in Alboran Sea
- -COBS (IGC) in Catalan margin
- -ANTARES (U.Nice) in Liguro-Provencal Basin
- -CUMAS (INGV) in Gulf of Puzzuoli
- -MSBO (KOERI) in Marmara Sea

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Other Temporal Temporal % & Experiments: PYROPE

WILAS



Topo-Iberia + Wilas + Pyrope + Permanent networks in W-Europe

Topo-Iberia + Picasso (USA + **Germany) in N Morocco**

