Building an IT Infrastructure to support a marine SDI: IPMA Case Study

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SNIMar Project - Scope





- SNIMar Sistema Nacional de Informação do Mar (National Information System of the Sea)
- General objectives:
 - Centralized platform to search for information about the sea
 - Design and implement a marine SDI which will culminate in a Geoportal
- A partnership agreement between IPMA and EMEPC.

• EMEPC - Portuguese Task Group for the Extension of the Continental Shelf





MISSION:

- Promote and coordinate scientific research, technological development, innovation and services on the sea and atmosphere.
- Providing services, data and products to citizens such as weather forecasts, products of seismology, climatology, water analysis, fishery analysis, sediments, fishery pathologies and mollusks analysis.
- Hosts several interdisciplinary projects
- In SNIMar IPMA has the following responsibilities:
 - Data Provider
 - Conception of IT Architecture
 - Acquisition of IT equipment
 - Scholarships Management
 - Development of Controlled IT Environment
 - Web Development application for Geoportal issues and associated services
 - Management and Technical Support (after ending project)



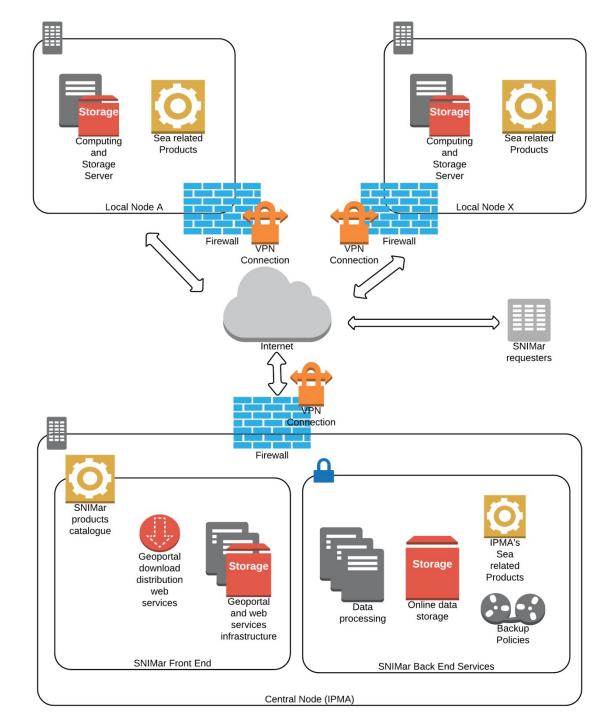
SNIMar Project - Working Packages

WP	WP Name	Description
0	Project Management	General project Management
1	Data Policies	Definition of policies for sharing data
2	Technical Framework	Software and Hardware Management
3	Metadata and geographic information	Contents and harmonization of the data in accordance with INSPIRE directive
4	Geoportal and Services	Service's Catalogue and technology for making data available
5	Advertisement	Projects promotion

IPMA Coordination

WP2 IPMA's responsibility - IT Architecture

- Design IT Solution for SNIMar
- IPMA will be:
 - Central Node IT Management and Technical Support
 - Local Node Data Provider



Focus on IPMA's responsibility - Data Provider

- IPMA needs to organize its data. Some constraints are:
 - Great amount of data dispersed within the departments
 - The products weren't completely defined
 - No unique identification of products
 - No harmonization in production of datasets
 - Multiple data formats and platforms
 - In some cases chain product process are knowledge of few people





- Interviews were conducted to collect information about the datasets
 - A lot of effort conducting these interviews

- Collecting metadata aid in the definition of some products
 - Besides collecting metadata according INSPIRE profile, we use the interviews to collect IT metadata for products too



Case Study - normalize the processes

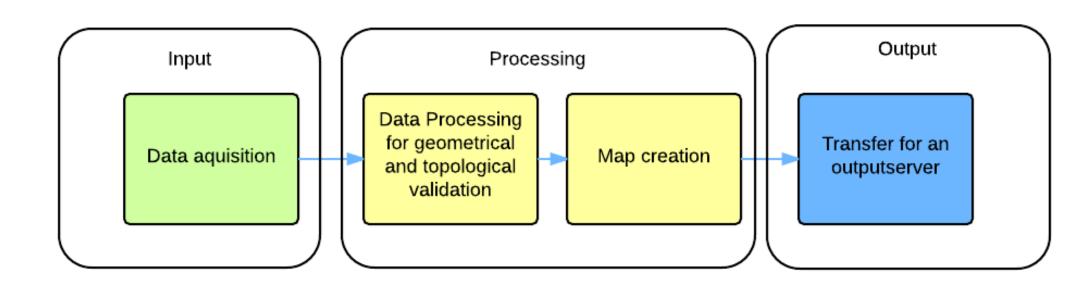
- 2 different products
 - Bivalvia Analysis to determine the zone's status for its capture
 - Sea wave forecast according with SWAN's model

- Specificity
- Complex process of production
- Identify the processes that enabled the production of the datasets

Bivalve Product

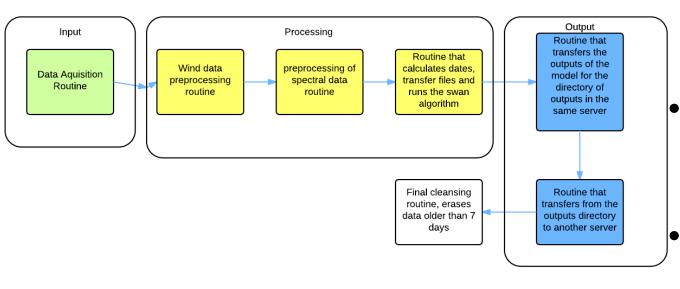


- Analysis to determine the zone's status for its capture
- Mapping the prohibited and permitted zones for bivalve's capture and consumption.









Forecast about the sea conditions in a determined zone

Important product for civil protection and nautical tourism

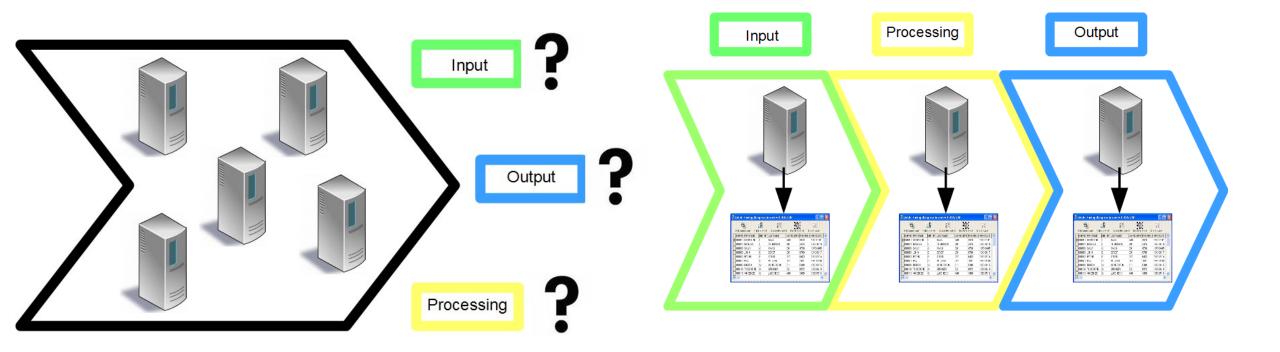
Sometimes its availability is compromised



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Towards a controlled environment





IT Profile Metadata



Users and logical access

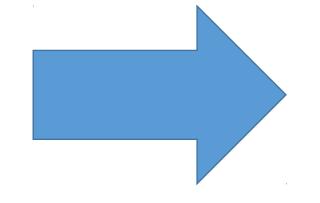
Application Software

Libraries

OS

HW

Networking



Configuration
Management
Database



To monitor and control

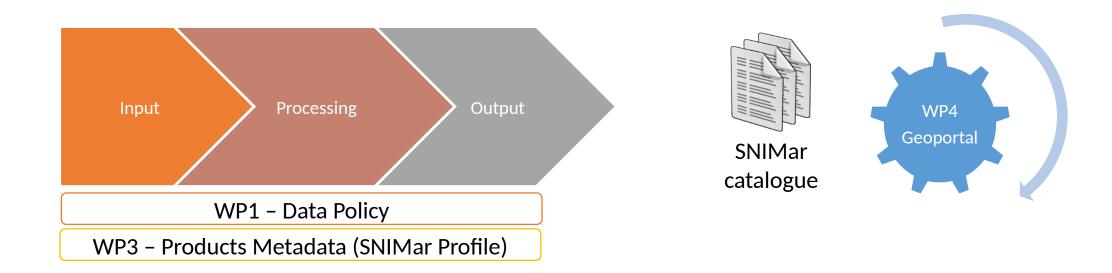
- A CMDB Configuration Management Database
 - Relate the product production phase to the assets involved in the process
 - Relate IPMA metadata at SNIMar DB Catalog with IT CMDB

The integration of the CMDB in IPMA's information system (IS)

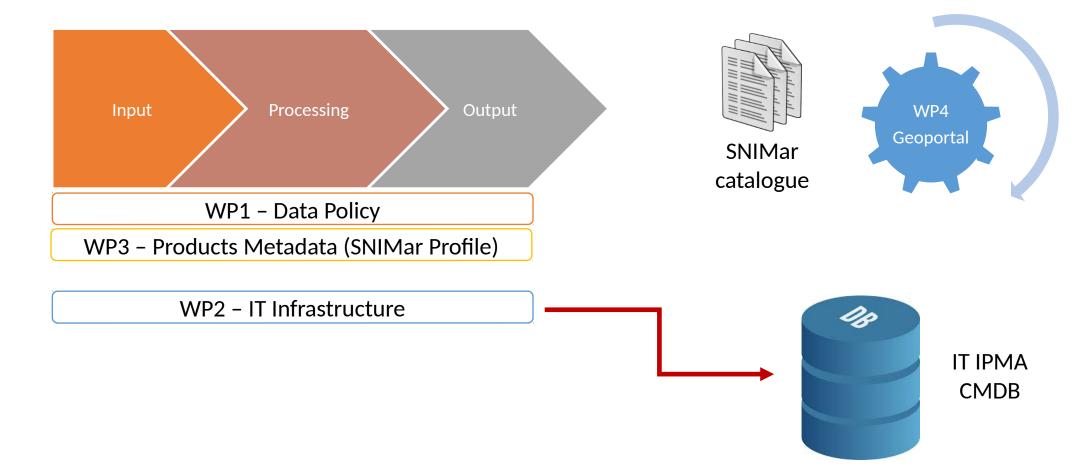
- The IS comprises a ticketing system
 - Every time a product is not available the system could include information about what went wrong

Normalize Process - Model to describe Data's lifecycle inside IPMA

.. according to the SNIMar project



Normalize Process -Model to describe Data's lifecycle inside IPMA .. Integrated infrastructure DATA (add IT Profile)





Conclusions

- With this system it will be possible:
 - Track every asset related to the product through a CMDB
 - Monitor and control the production chain
 - Respond in case of failure
 - Support IT managers in decision activities
 - Improve the quality of the service

And of course, control and monitoring from IT view, products process from data which metadata belongs to the SNIMar Catalog at Geoportal!



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