

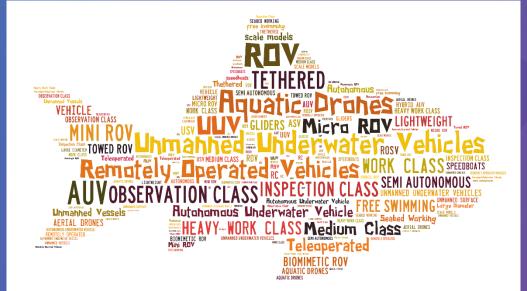


Monitoring sediment with underwater drones

Sediment, diffuse pollution and SDB session 8

Ir. Jasper Schmeits, Innovatiomanager Tauw Group



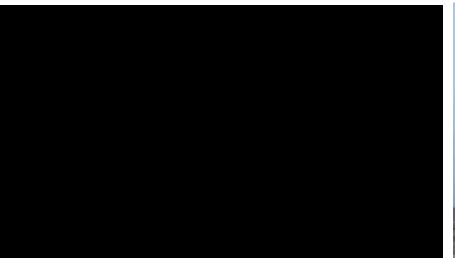


19 September 2019 RemTech Expo FerraraFiere



Who is Jasper Schmeits? @Tauw Group









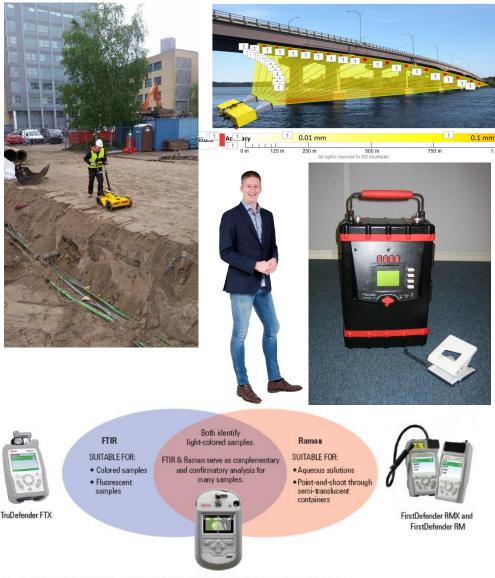


Figure 1. Complementary FTIR and Raman spectroscopy address a range of unknown substances.





First experience

Besparing m Meerv (XRF)

Experience on using innovative techniques within remediation of polluted sediments:

- Remediation of river "Vecht":
 - Pollutants:
 - Zinc, lead, arsenic, mercury and PAH
 - Creating Digital Terrain model
 - Top: multibeam echosounder
 - Bottom: subbotom profiler
 - Use of XRF to determine the boundary and for validating end-result

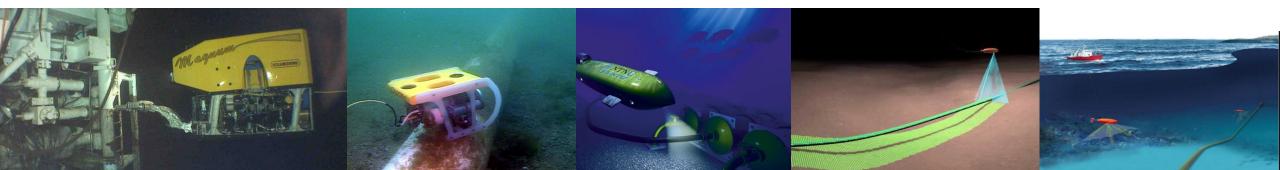
Based on this experience curious about: Added value of getting sensors into the water



Applications of aquatic drones

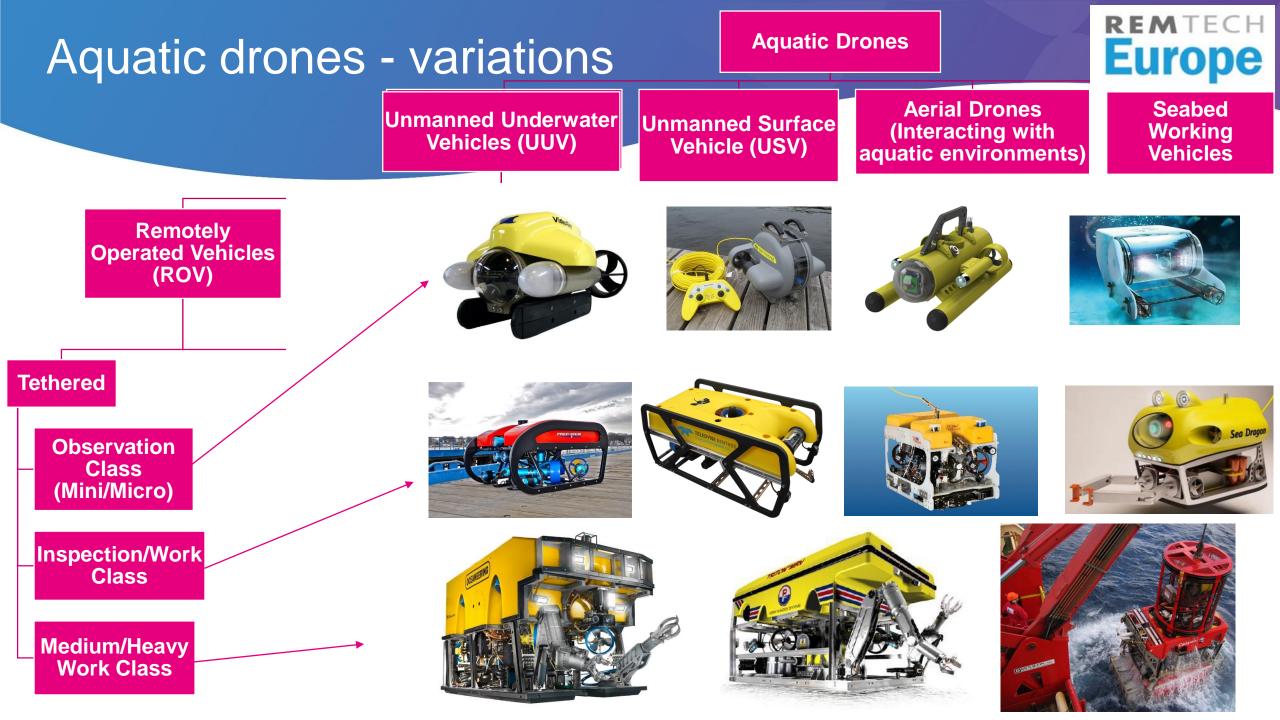
- Maintenance of offshore systems (Oil&Gas; subsea telecommunication cables)
- Inspection/assessment of underwater infrastructure
- Support and assistance during drilling/dredging/construction operations
- Cleaning and debris removal
- Access locations such as nuclear power plants
- Archeology (ship wrecks)
- Object location and recovery for with tragedies and disasters





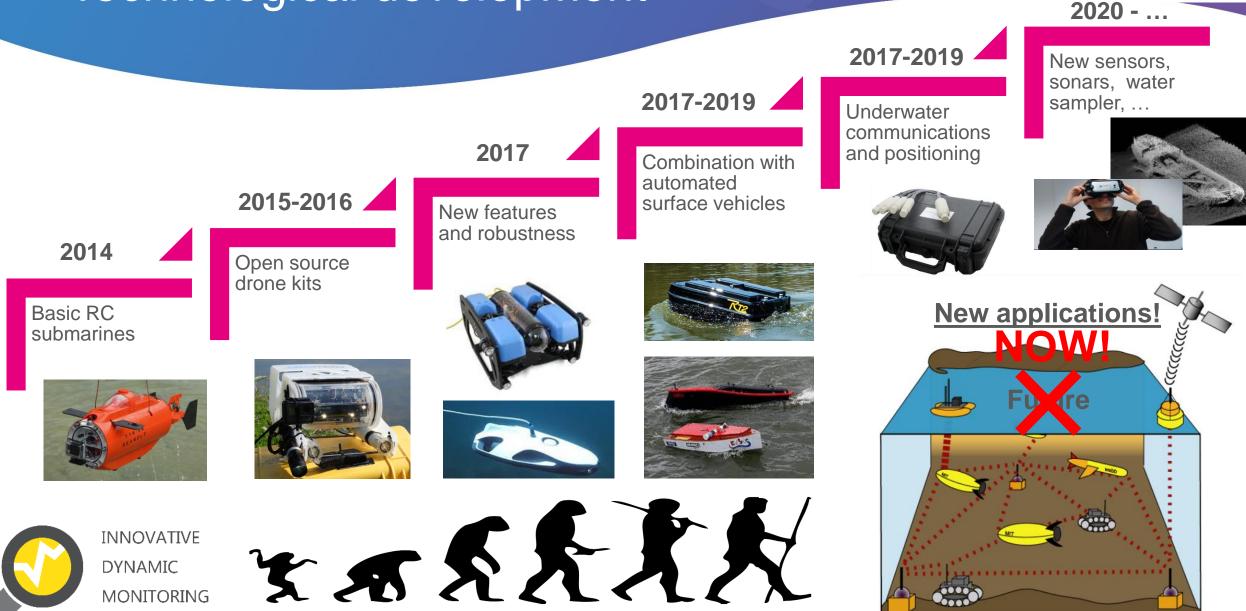






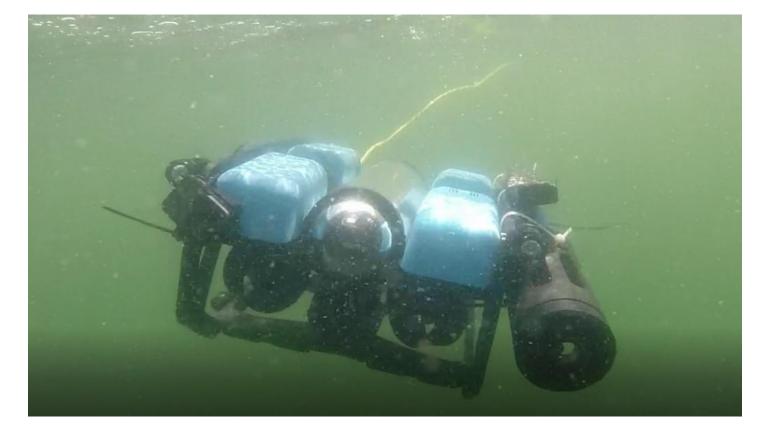
Technological development

REMTECH Europe



First advantage:Camera under water





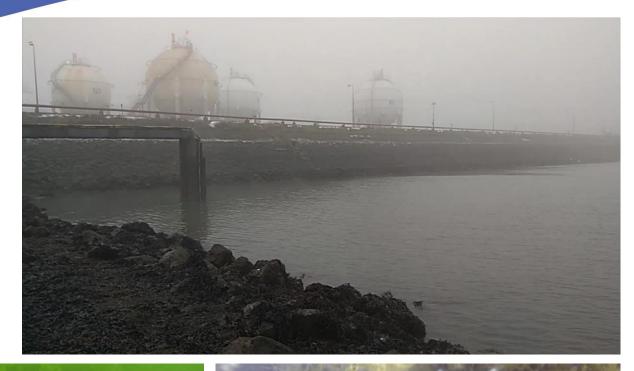




Examples: - Underwater inspections













Examples: - Underwater inspections



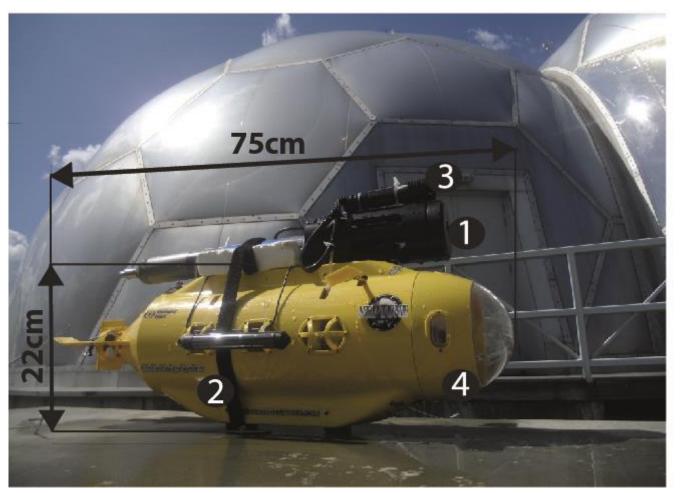






Second advantage: - Equip system with sensors





Attached Equipment:

(1) In-situ TROLL 9500 Sensors:

- Nitrate and Ammonium ISE
- Rugged Dissolved Oxygen
 (2) CTD Diver :
- Temperature
- Pressure
- Conductivity
- (3) Diving light

(4) HD Video Camera (GoPro 3+)(5) Algae sensor (chlorophyll and blue/green algae)

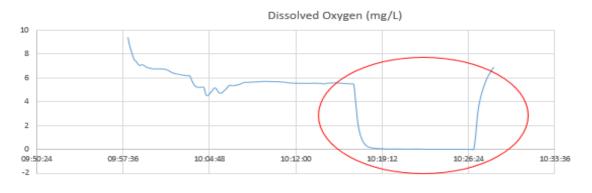
- More options!

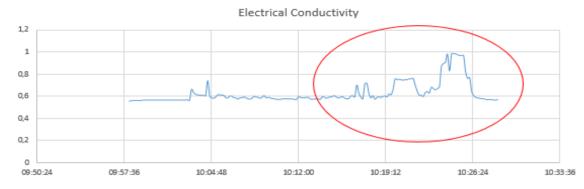


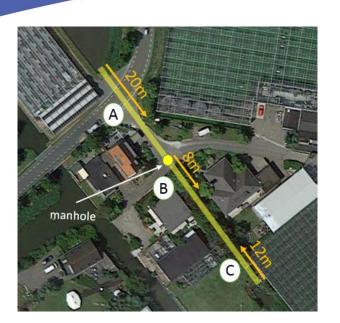
Examples: - Pollution source

Discharges of Household / Industries

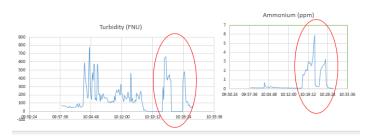
• Measurements inside culvert (up to 20m)













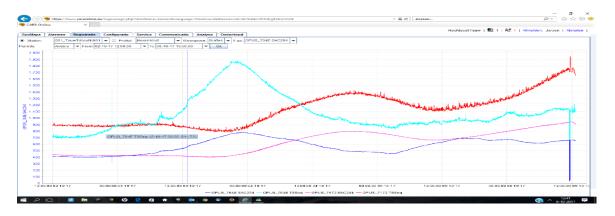
REMTECH



Examples: - Spatial distribution

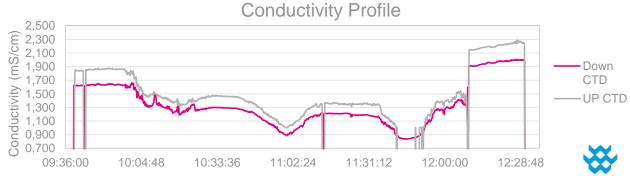
Mapping of spatial distribution of parameters

- Electric conductivity, Temperature, DO, etc.
- Specific parameters like:
 - Chlorophyl and Cyanobacteria sensor (blue-green algae)
 - Multi parameter sensor (COD/BOD, NO3/NO2, HS-, oilcomponents, Suspended dust, etc.)









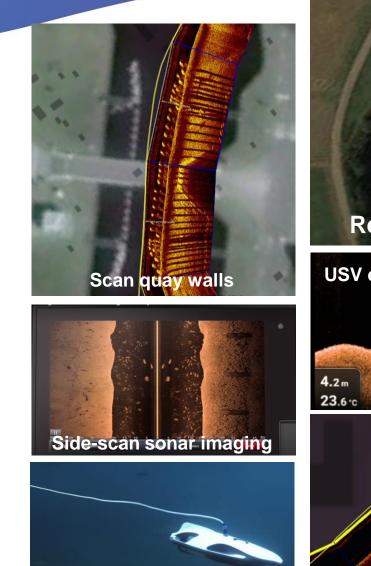
Examples: - Geophysical search

Combination with sonar scan:

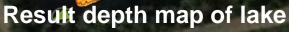
- Scan of quay walls
 - Identification of inconsistencies or discontinuities that may indicate problems.
- Depth measurements
- Side-scan imaging
- Fish-finder:
 - Useful to easily detect debris material on sub-surface



INNOVATIVE DYNAMIC MONITORING



Using fish-finder



USV equipped with sonar equipment ² for depth measurements

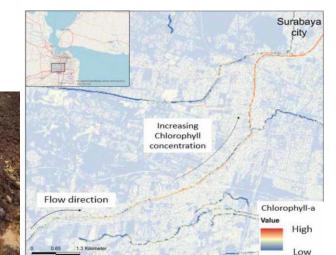


52°30'9.96"N 6°35'11.17"E Detecting details

Tirth advantage: - Connecting data to other data collection systems

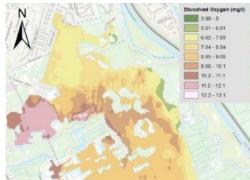
- Connecting water quality to sediment in lake:
 - Output gamma spectrometer (Medusa)
 - Insight in sediment variation and spatial distribution
 - Quality results of XRF
 - Insight in quality of Heavy Metals in samples
 - Connecting to Satellite data
 - Low resolution data for larger area





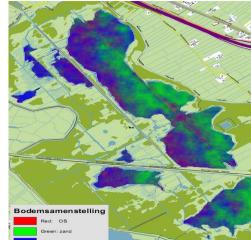






REMTECH

Europe



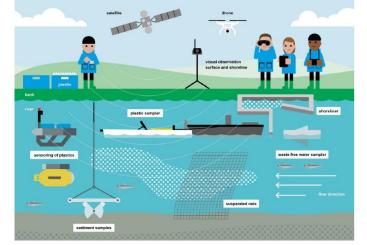


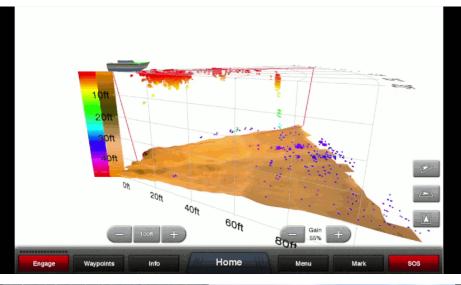
New developments

Currently testing/implementing:

- Water sampler
- New tests using 3D multibeam sonar
- Connecting to Virtual Reality
- Underwater GPS
 - Real-time info:
 - distance of drone to bottom
- Real-time data readings
- Sensoring of plastics











Wrap up of possibilities

- 1. Visibility under water
- 2. Putting sensors on system:
 - Macro-parameters
 - Specific pollutants
 - Sonar systems
- 3. Connecting data to other data collection equipment
 - Gamma spectrometer
 - XRF
 - Satelite data
- 4. More developments are possible
 - Use of new technologies simultaneously to collect better data
 - Possibility to add other equipment allow several other future applications





Grazie per l'attenzione!



Ir. Jasper Schmeits



+31 65 37 94 21 7

jasper.schmeits@tauw.com

<u>www.tauw.nl</u> Tauw test lab op youtube



