Oceanographic Institute

Prince Albert I of Monaco Foundation

Inviting people to
know, love and protect the ocean
for over 110 years

Founded by prince Albert I of Monaco in 1906

Strongly connected to Monaco and HSH Prince Albert II commitment to safeguarding a healthy ocean

Focused on outreach and advocacy and bringing science to the public and decision makers

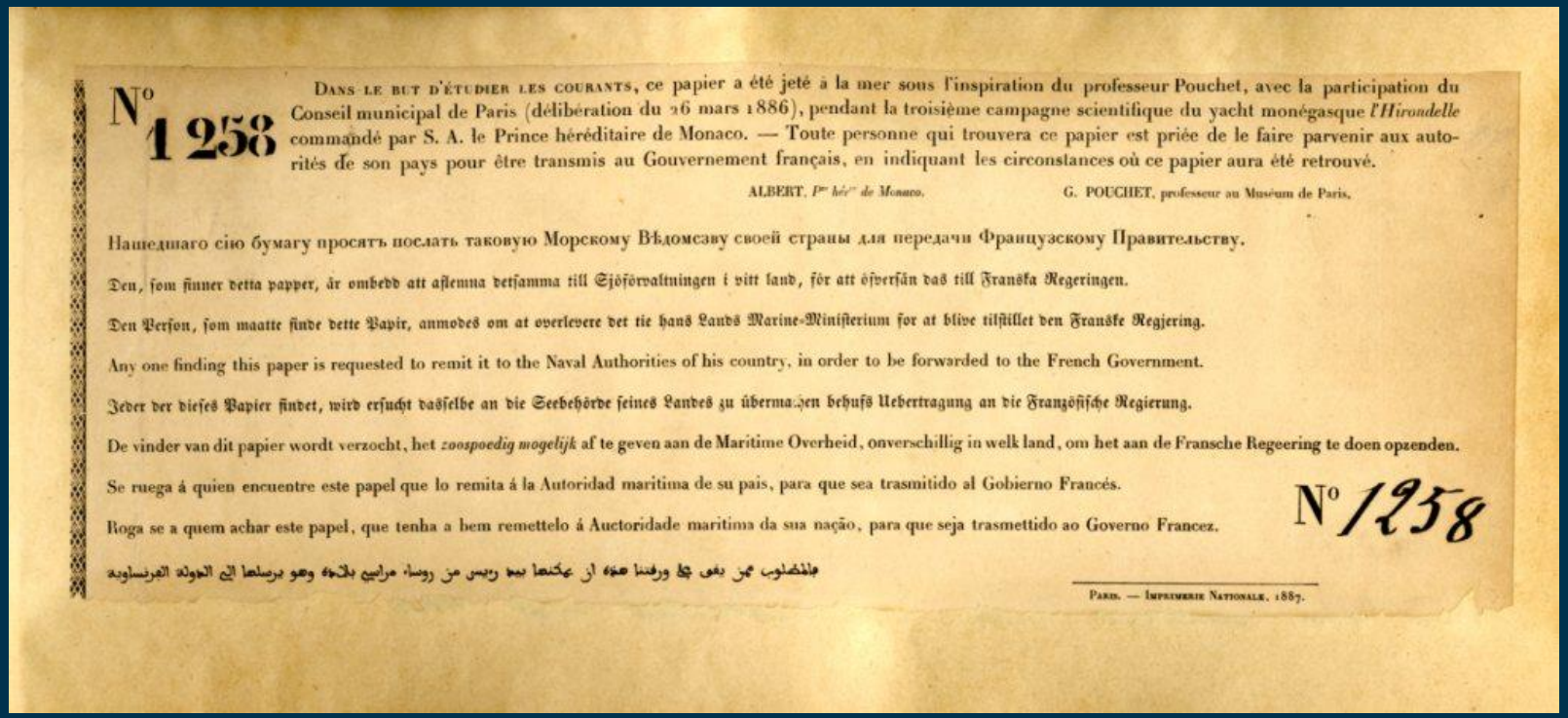
OUR HISTORY

Albert I – Promoter of modern oceanography

«So I started the culture of Oceanography, a new science that penetrates the secrets of the deep. And this work has filled the most beautiful years of my life taking the best of me.»

Floats,
a citizen science initiative in 1885

"It was a question of experimentally assessing whether the waters of the Gulf Stream are piling up to the coasts of Europe, as many plants and driftwood collected in Norway and on the coasts of Ireland had suggested; and if we could with some reason attribute to this influence the climatic advantages enjoyed by the western coasts of Europe"



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Dans le but d'étudier les courants, ce papier a été jeté à la mer sous l'inspiration du professeur Pouchet, avec la participation du Conseil municipal de Paris (délibération du 26 mars 1886), pendant la troisième campagne scientifique du yacht monégasque *l'Hirondelle* commandé par S. A. le Prince héréditaire de Monaco. — Toute personne qui trouvera ce papier est priée de le faire parvenir aux autorités de son pays pour être transmis au Gouvernement français, en indiquant les circonstances où ce papier aura été retrouvé.

ALBERT, *Pce hér. de Monaco.* G. POUCHET, professeur au Muséum de Paris.

Нашедшаго сію бумагу просятъ послать таковую Морскому Вѣдомсзву своей страны для передачи Французскому Правительству.

Den, som finner detta papper, är ombedd att aflemna detsamma till Sjöförvaltningen i vitt land, för att öfversän das till Franska Regeringen.

Den Person, som maatte finde dette Papir, anmodes om at overlevere det tie hans Lands Marine-Ministerium for at blive tilstillet den Franske Regjering.

Any one finding this paper is requested to remit it to the Naval Authorities of his country, in order to be forwarded to the French Government.

Jeder der dieses Papier findet, wird ersucht dasselbe an die Seebehörde seines Landes zu übermachen behufs Uebertragung an die Französische Regierung.

De vinder van dit papier wordt verzocht, het *zoospoedig mogelijk* af te geven aan de Maritime Overheid, onverschillig in welk land, om het aan de Fransche Regeering te doen opzenden.

Se ruega á quien encuentre este papel que lo remita á la Autoridad maritima de su pais, para que sea trasmitido al Gobierno Francés.

Roga se a quem achar este papel, que tenha a bem remettelo á Auctoridade maritima da sua nação, para que seja trasmettido ao Governo Francez.

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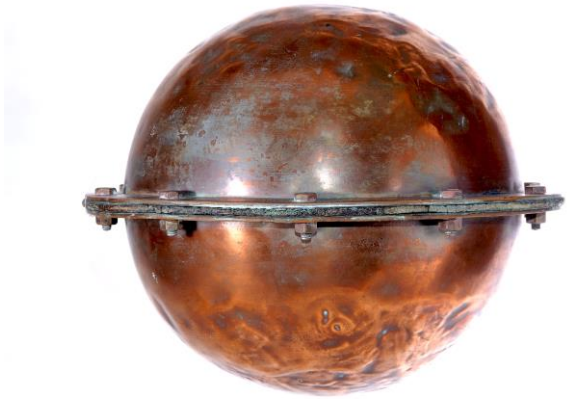
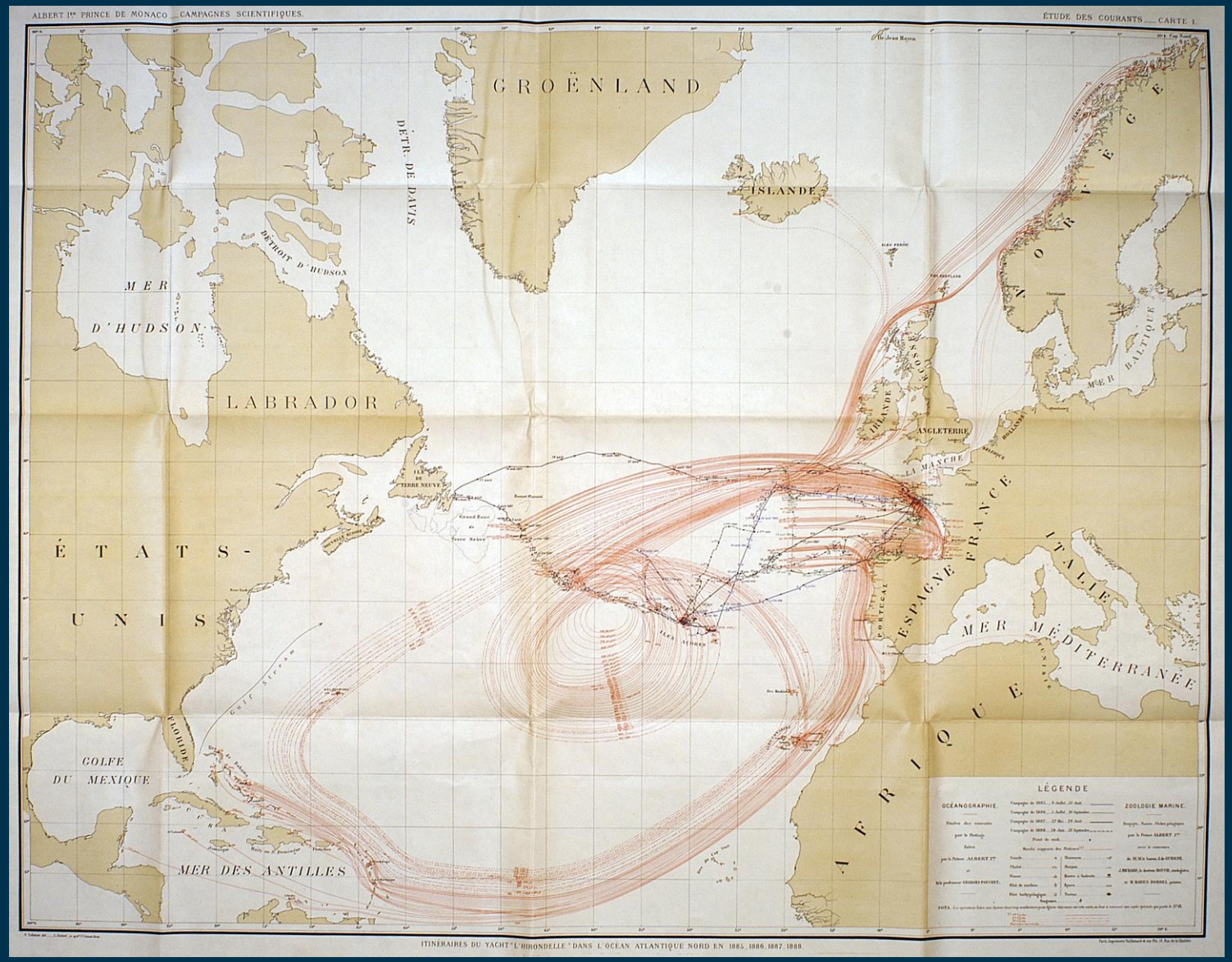
Paris. — Imprimerie Nationale. 1887.





Of the nearly 1,700 floats launched between 1885 and 1887, 16% were returned to the prince

With the information gathered, the map of currents in the North Atlantic was drawn up in 1892.

Jacques-Yves Cousteau – Looking below the surface

HSH Prince Albert II – Taking action for our blue planet

Our goals

Create a global momentum for the ocean : respect and sustainable management

Attract attention on the ocean and promote ocean literacy and ocean conservation

Reach out to decision makers and the general public

Wikinomics : use digital technology to empower the public, connect individuals to institutions, stimulate initiatives

Reaching out to the public

650 000
visitors per year
to the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco

2
establishments
The Oceanographic Museum of Monaco
The Maison des Océans in Paris

A community of
140 000
followers

200
events
in 2018

17
major exhibitions
since 2010

A STRONG ABILITY TO MOBILIZE

Outreach activities for the public

Operations to awaken ecological awareness

Mobilising the senses makes visitors alert. Readier to integrate knowledge, they are also more readily aware.

To the scientific data, the Oceanographic Institute adds fun and sensory activities, such as a virtual dive with *Immerseave 360°* or a session of discovery of the fauna and flora of the Mediterranean around a touch pool.

The public wants to understand the mechanisms that regulate the ocean and wonders about the ongoing changes. The use of ARGO data through animations can bring the public closer to the sea and to the world of science.

A new generation for the Ocean

Young ambassadors

More than 20 000 students every year

The museum is a pedagogical tool chosen each year by teachers to introduce students to the sciences, environment, and the ocean

The provision of educational resources related to the ARGO program in the Museum can help amplify the impact of acquired knowledge.

A new digital extension

Monaco Oceanographic Museum

« Temple of the sea »

Maison des océans

The ocean hub in Paris

Ocean Portal

A new digital extension

The digital extension will enhance traditional « brick and mortar » actions, to :

- ✓improve the reach
- ✓offer additional content
- ✓connect actions, initiatives, partners, to reinforce their meaning and scope
- ✓establish a lasting relationship with each visitor or contact, knowing them and adapting to their interests

Ocean science for kids

A complete resource center for teachers and students:

- ✓Live science and data, from floats, satellites, animals, citizen science…
- ✓Live feedback from explorers who contribute to science
- ✓Latest news and reports
- ✓Resources to understand (selected papers, interviews,…)
- ✓Manual for experiments
- ✓Designed with teachers to connect to official curricula, in different disciplines, from biology to philosophy
- ✓Challenges and call for projects
- ✓Enable interaction with scientists and explorers

Ocean science for kids

Opportunity of the UN decade of Marine sciences

Oceanographic Institute and Institut de la Mer de Villefranche

Defining the scope

Defining the scale and partners: France, Europe, or global?

Secure long-term resources for a long-term project

Thank you !

We look forward to getting your feedback and to connecting with the ARGO community.

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