General Goals & Objectives of the International SeaKeepers Society

- I. Develop a working model for a Global Ocean Observing System that is a true public/private partnership
- II. Gather & distribute critically needed data on the health of the oceans and global climate change.
 Develop & deploy efficient, low cost, and accurate ocean & atmospheric sensors.

Provide a fleet of "research" vessels covering the globe and travelling to remote areas.

Provide a means for 2nd & 3rd world countries to begin monitoring coastlines for sustainability.

- **III**. Create an organization of truly international significance to help build scientific, programmatic & business bridges across international boundaries.
- **IV.** Bring leading scientists (from around the world) together to work on joint projects to study and protect the oceans.
- V. Improving public awareness of local and global environmental issues through outreach and education







XBTs, Expendable sensors







Weather sensors



SeaKeepers Ocean & Atmospheric Monitoring Module Components



Ultrasonic Anemometer

Wind speed: 0 -40 m/s (0-90 mph) +/- 0.01 m/s

Wind direction: 0 -360 degrees +/- 2 degrees (1- 30 m/s) +/- 5 degrees (30 - 40 m/s)









SeaKeepers Modular Sensors

<u>SeaKeepers System</u> Weather

Air temperature Wind speed Wind direction Relative Humidity Barometric pressure Compass heading

Oceanographic, standard

Temperature Conductivity calculated Salinity Sea Surface Temperature

Optional sensors

Dissolved Oxygen pH Eh

Sensor Development

Prototype and testing

CDOM Fluorescence Turbidity Chlorophyll-a Fluorescence Optical Attenuation Reflectance Radiometer $pCO_2 \& Total CO_2$ Nutrients (Nitrate, Silicate, Phosphate, Ammonia) Trace metals Micro-Sensors ("Chemistry on a chip") **SeaKeepers Data Modes**

Real-Time Display

Regularly Transmitted

Transmitted Intermittently on Request or Alert Message

Long-Term Record





Customizable real-time displays for the SeaKeepers vessel's network







Number of Good Reports VOS fleet versus SeaKeepers air temperature



Number of Good Reports VOS fleet versus SeaKeepers wind speed







Florida Bay





CDOM on the Southwest Florida Shelf, 2001



Ferry routes for the central Mediterranean; example SNCM



Expanding Applications for SeaKeepers Data

Weather Forecasting

Climate Change

Satellite Ground-truthing

Pollution and Health Alerts

Education: GLOBE, Cruise ships, Special Activities

Aquaculture monitoring

Specific Research Studies

- VOS Carbon Dioxide Measurements
- Changes in Solar Ultraviolet radiation stresses on coral reefs
- Better algorithms for satellite observations
- Long-term monitoring of ecosystems changes in the Pacific, Mediterranean, Florida coastal waters and Amazon River outflow