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## NIOZ and OFEG overview 2015 - 2016

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## NIOZ 2015 -2016 highs and lows

- NIOZ: restructuring resulted in a new organization model:
- From 8 science departments to 4:
- New NMF includes marine technical departments, divided in support and development departments.
- NMF supposed to be self-supporting
- Current activity:
- Test piece new deep sea cable: 20 mm, Vectran, 8 mm core conductors and optic fibers.
- New type of box core being tested at the moment.



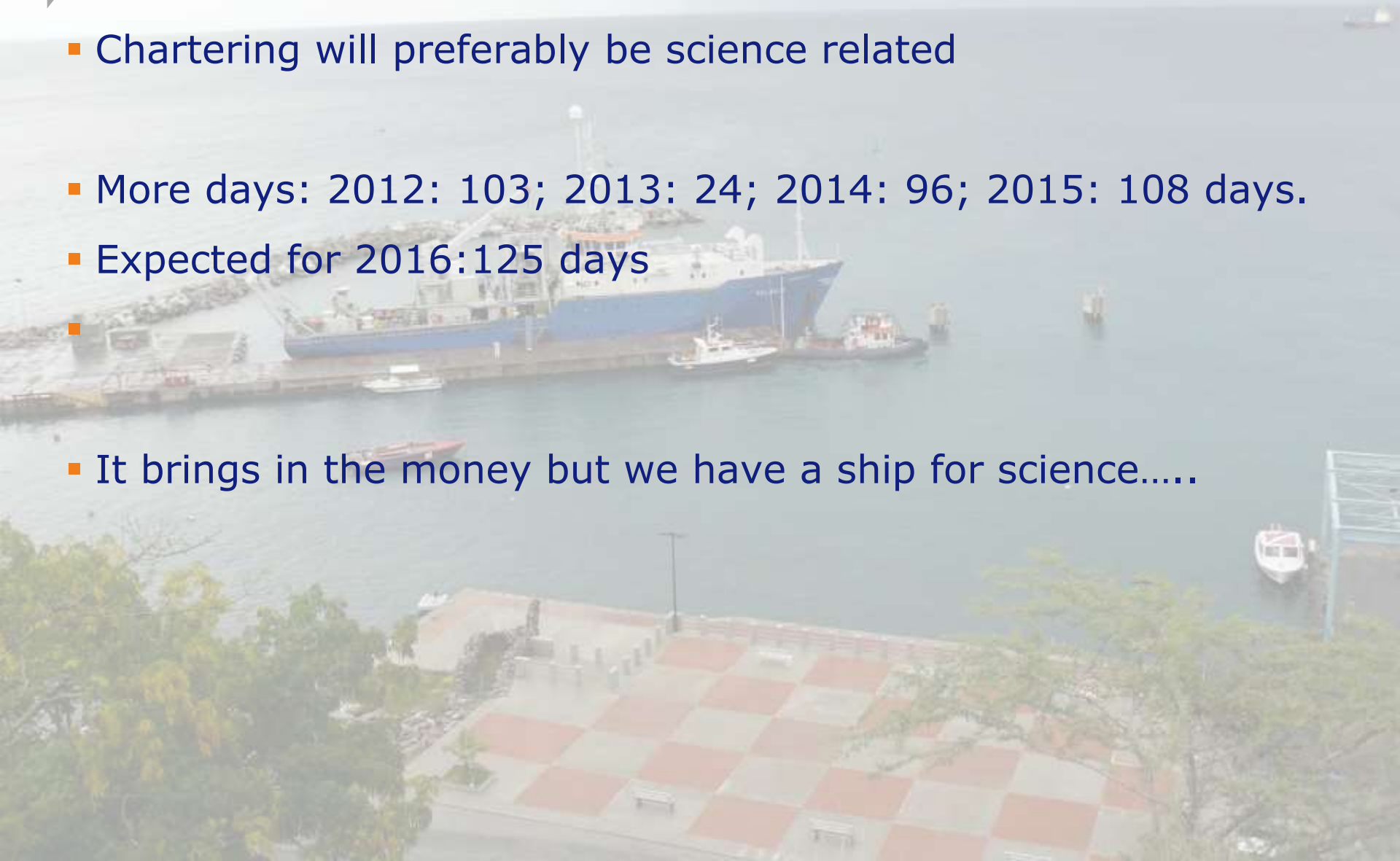
## NIOZ 2015 -2016 highs and lows

- Main concern as in previous years: funding
- National funding has been reduced to M€0.5 for this year, including equipment and no funding is foreseen for 2017.
- However, we did manage to get a new vessel on the National Roadmap.....
- EU funding: EU grants ship time but doesn't fund any.
- NIOZ spends approx. M€1 in ship time
- All alternative funding has to come from chartering until a solution has been found



## NIOZ 2015 -2016 highs and lows

- Chartering will preferably be science related
- More days: 2012: 103; 2013: 24; 2014: 96; 2015: 108 days.
- Expected for 2016:125 days
- It brings in the money but we have a ship for science.....







**Cruise program 2015 – 2016: Mediterranean, Black Sea  
and Indian Ocean and back  
2 transits through the Gulf of Aden and along Somalia**





Possible because of our marine escort.







# Provisional cruise program 2016 - 2017





## OFEG

- Slight increase in barter days in the last few years
- Difficulties:
  - Funding differences between national organizations
  - Partners schedule on different time scales
- Current activities in OFEG
  - Working group on EIA's for seismics
  - Further development and integration of [marinefacilitiesplanning.com](http://marinefacilitiesplanning.com)





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