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# **Arctic Checkpoint**

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## Main discussion points

### Mainly based on challenges

- ⦿ **Is the data used kept up-to-date?**
  - This project is a snap-shot
- ⦿ **Russian data – language and privacy issues**
- ⦿ **Questioning can be too broad – choice for challenge leaders and/or EC to narrow it down.**
- ⦿ **Suggestions for datasources**

## General Recommendations

- ⦿ It seems proper monitoring in the Arctic area is scarce on some topics and both spatially and temporally limited. Keep pushing for standardized monitoring.
- ⦿ Focus as much on what is available, as on what is not available. The end goal is not answering the questions, but finding out if they can be answered with what is available.
- ⦿ Work together with the other checkpoints and organisations where possible (e.g hydrographic offices).

**Communication is key!**