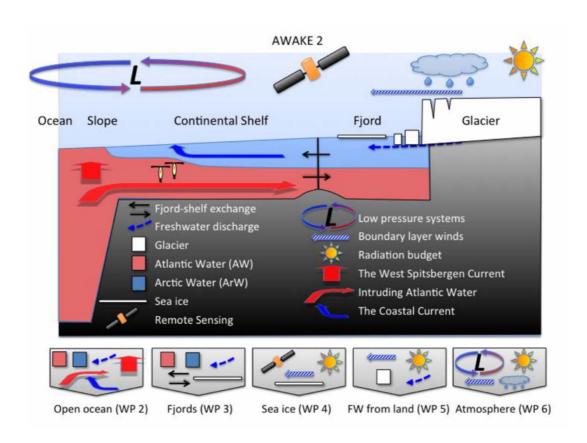
## WP3 Fjord oceanography



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### **WP3 Objectives**

## To understand the key parameters/processes that determine:

The interannual variability in

- water mass distribution
  (Arctic Water versus Atlantic Water dominance)
- 2. freshwater content
- 3. and circulation patterns in Hornsund.

#### To do this we will use:

- 1.+2. available historical data and new data to be collected on two cruises each year (July and September)
- 3. a high-resolution model (160 x 160 m horizontal resolution) with realistic water mass transports and heat fluxes, so that the oceanic contribution to glacier front melting can be properly assessed.

# To get a better understanding of the fjord-glacier coupling the area close to Hansbreen will be investigated weekly during summer.



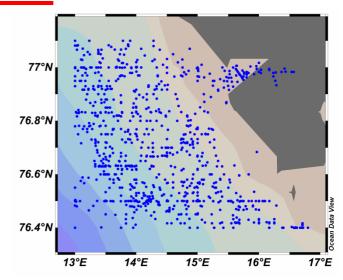
The planned field measurements will be carried out from early spring to autumn with an aim to obtain time series covering the glaciers melting season.

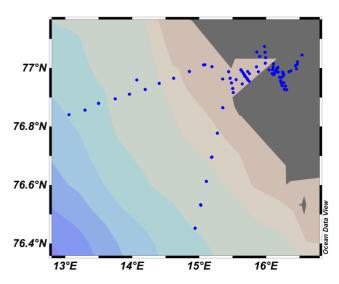
## Available historical data

- IOPAS: July 2001 2012
  - 2010-2012 (H, G, etc)
- UNIS data base

## New data

- IOPAS: July 2013 and 2014
  - 2013-2014 (H, G, etc)
- UNIS: September 2013 and April and September 2014





#### **WP3** Deliverables

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- Hydrographic time series for 2000-2015 (36)
- Freshwater content time series for 2000-2015 (36)

 Relative contribution of sea ice meltwater and glacier/river runoff for 2013-2015 (36)

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 Relative contribution of sea ice meltwater and glacier/river runoff for 2013-2015.

#### Water samples:

HM September 2013: 400

Lance April 2014: 96

HM September 2014: 365

IOPAS 2014 350

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- A qualitative description of key parameters/processes that determine water mass distribution, freshwater content, and circulation patterns (36)

#### **WP3 Tasks**

- T3.1: Fjord hydrography from historical and new data (IOPAS)
  - By Agnieszka Prominska
- T3.2: Freshwater content and distribution from historical and new data (UNIS)
  - By Knut Ola Dølven (Master student)
- T3.3: Arctic fjord circulation processes, observations, and modeling (IOPAS/NPI)
  - By Arild Sundfjord