

Daily Report Cruise 2015405

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## Indian Ocean II

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### 1 HSE

The Chief Officer arranged a safety briefing for the scientists. Tor Magne Ensrud is elected as safety representative for this cruise. Nothing else observed or reported.

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### 2 Activities and comments

The participants arrived onboard at 0930 today. There was a meeting with the scientists to discuss the scientific work for the cruise and to finalize the Sailing Order. The scientist that was delayed due to cancel flight from Johannesburg arrived at 1130. The ship left Mauritius harbour at 1600. We are working on mobilisation of the equipment. The first station for CTD and Manta Trawl west of Mauritius was sampled successfully.



Safety tour for the scientists



First CTD station at the west coast of Mauritius

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### **3 Weather**

**Temp:** 24°C,  
**Wind:** Near Gale  
**Waves:** Very rough

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### **4 Tomorrows schedule**

We will continue sampling according to the Sailing Order on the transect southward west of the Reunion EDZ. There will be installations and testing of Video Assisted Multi Sampler (VAMS) with special focus on the new equipment for video recording.

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### **5 Prognoses**

Weather forecasts are not positive. Wind and waves may cause delay in the sampling.

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### **6 Problems during field work**

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### **7 Future plans**

We will follow the sampling plan specified in the Sailing Order. The Continuous Plankton Recorder (CPR) will be deployed on the transects longer than 20 nautical miles, where the ship is able to keep a speed of 10 nautical miles/hour.

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