LET’S GET TOGETHER: 
THE FACT NETWORK

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Overview of the Project – FACT Network

The FACT Network is a collaboration dedicated to improving the conservation of aquatic animals by facilitating data management among researchers using acoustic telemetry, providing a community for scientists, and building stakeholder partnerships.

Collect Data
Researchers contribute receiver data and tag data

Aggregate data

Process Data
QA/QC, match detection to tag metadata

Community

- Student Group
- Loaner program
- Buoys of Opportunity
- Contact Point
- Meetings

Receivers record unique tag IDs, date and time
Accomplishments – FACT Network

Website improvements

- Become a Member
- Become a Partner

Database Growth

Number of Tagged Animals and Species by Year

- Student led-webinars and workshops
  - Dr. Henrik Baktoft

Expanded moorings of opportunity

Facilitated national and international initiatives

Expanded equipment loaner program

- BioTrack
- ATN
- MBON
- THE OCEAN DECADE
Challenges Looking Ahead – FACT Network

• Maintaining the culture and programs with **continual growth**.

• Identify what other ways we can better integrate with national and international organizations.

• Produce data products that capitalize on the system and successes of FACT.

• Adapt and respond to the needs of the telemetry and management communities.

Describe FACT in 3 words: