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AGATHA project – ECHORD

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AGATHA is a 3 years project from **CLAPOT** laboratory.

CLAPOT is a common laboratory of **ENSIETA** (Engineering school, Brest) and **Thales Underwater Systems** dedicated to marine robotic.

The main objective of AGATHA is to demonstrate the ability of a "shoolfish robot" to navigate a few hours in sea conditions into coastal waters (ten miles area excluding the "surf zone").

A "Shoolfish robot" is an autonomous assembly of a certain number of small micro-robots (class 1 to 20 kg) communicating together and "swarm conscious". Each micro-robot is independent in the swarm and is a part of the collective entity.

The first phase that will last a few more than one year is dedicated to "swarm consciousness" including the problem of communicating at low distance and high speed underwater that we call "underwater wifi" and the relative positioning into the swarm.

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