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research & educational center 'baikal'

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paradigm: interdisciplinarity

- Approach 1: focused on a separate and important *direction* of investigations.

- Approach 2: focused on a separate and important *object* of investigation

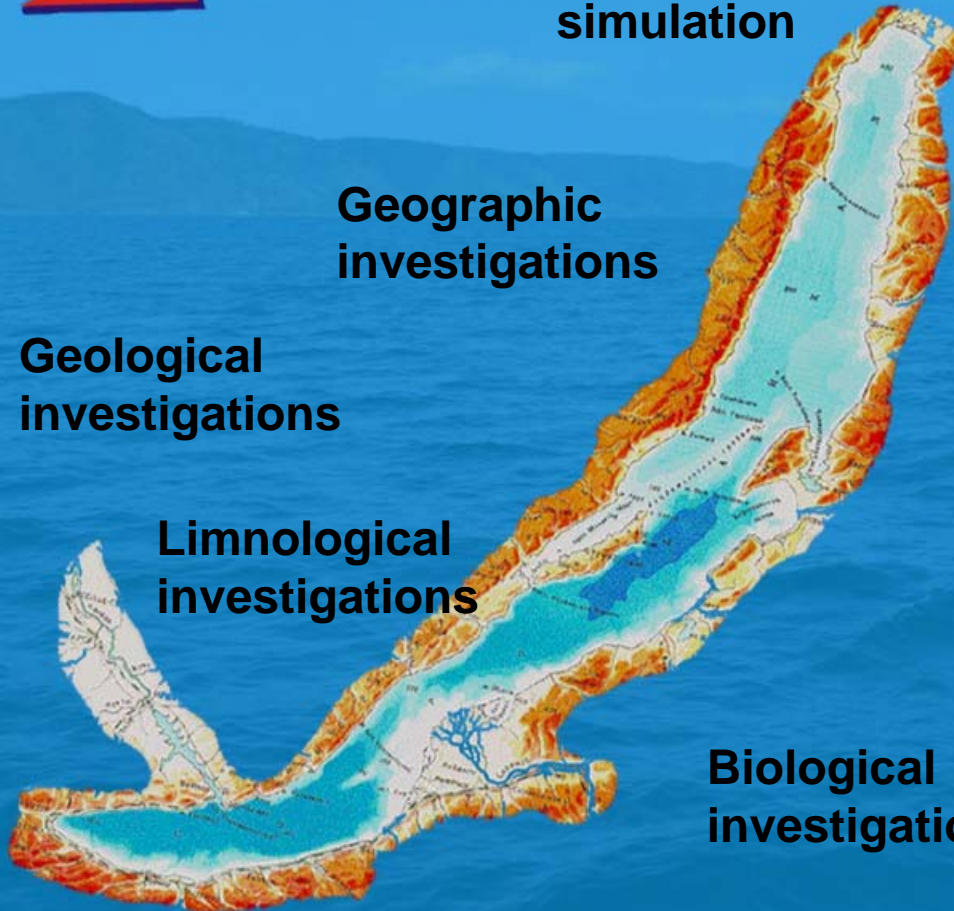
Math
simulation

Geographic
investigations

Geological
investigations

Limnological
investigations

Biological
investigations



WHY INTERDISCIPLINARITY?

- an extremely important and complex natural object
- a number of separate and incoherent investigations
- conducted by different organizations
- a non-trivial situation around Baikal

importance of effort
co-ordination

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basic activities

- multidisciplinary research coordination
- young researchers support
- multidisciplinary & joint advanced education
- networking
- lake.baikal.ru, a multipurpose portal

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external linkages

- institutes of RAS
- international
- horizontal (between RECs)
- regional

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potentiality

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Academy
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Russian
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young blood for RAS institutes / research for education

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reality

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bureaucratic frontiers

paradigm: integration

research

educational

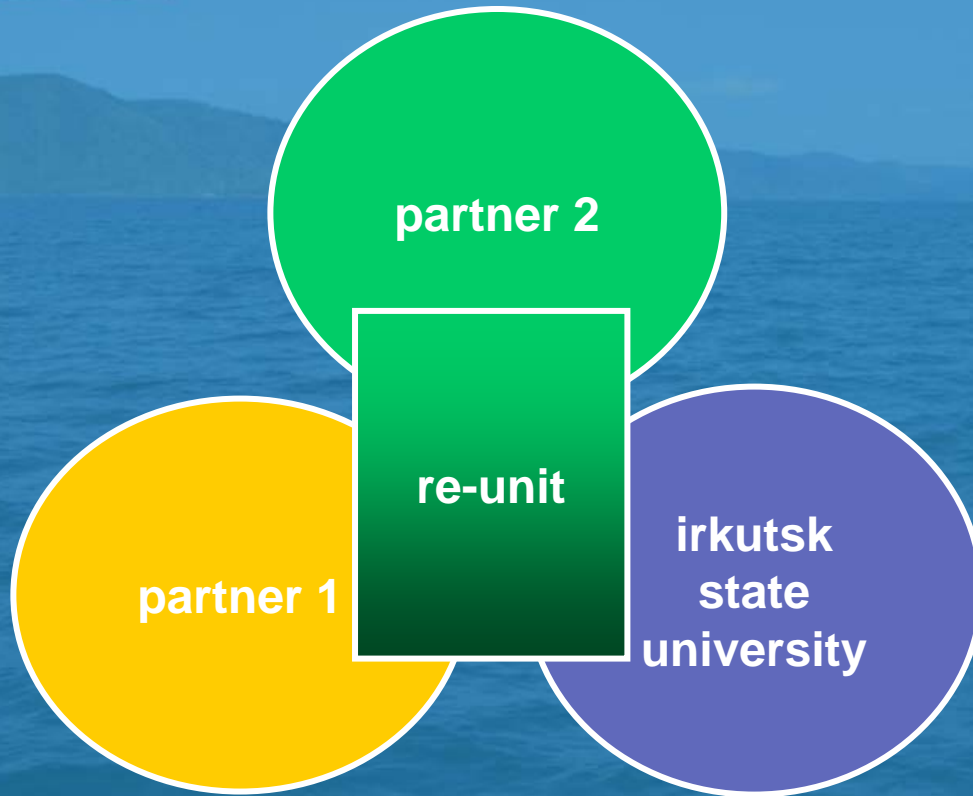
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institutes of
SB RAS

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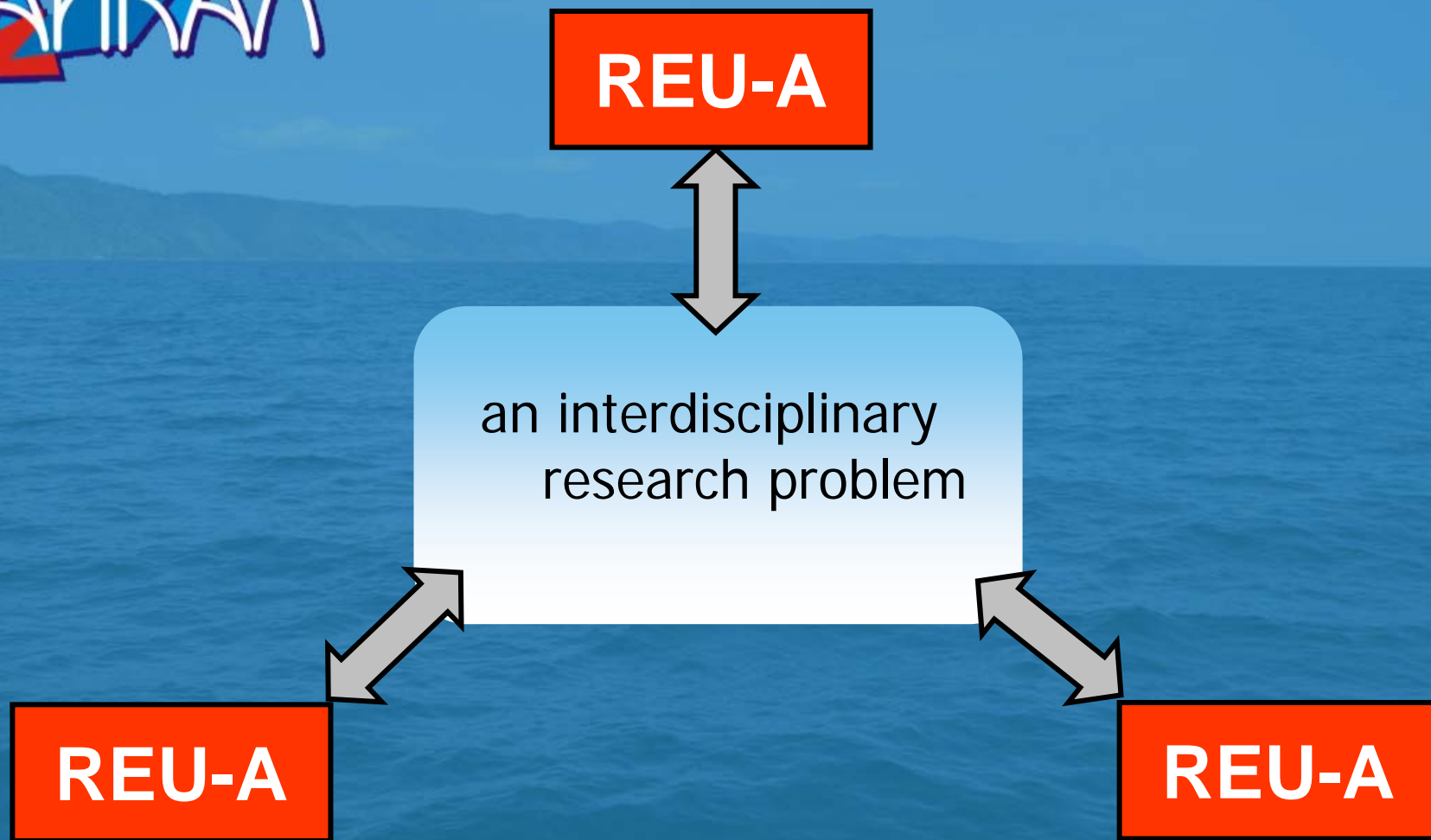
a soft way for integration!

a research educational unit




- 6 REUs are working
- 14 REUs are being designed
- 11 institutions are involved in collaboration

interdisciplinary interaction

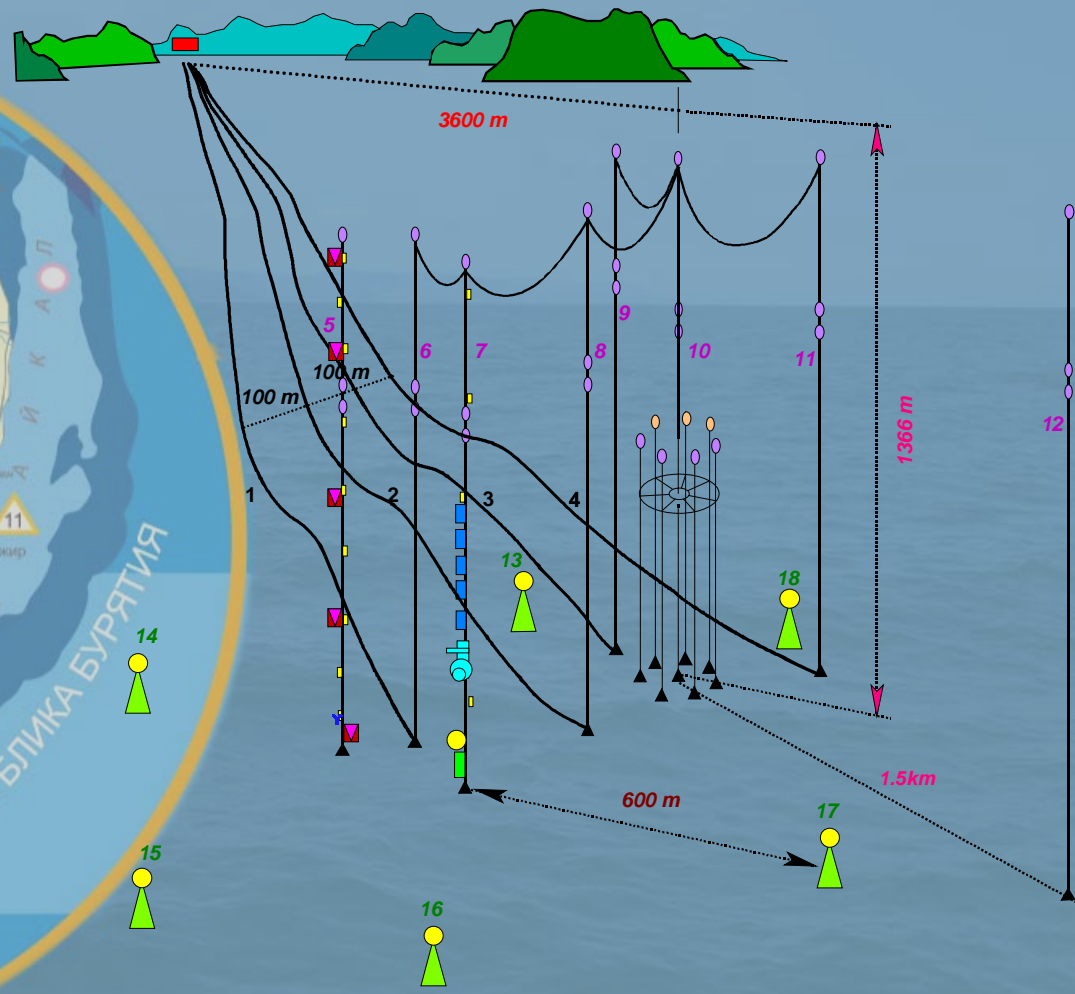




- enormous territory
  distributed ISU infrastructure is needed
- 11 research stations – but **MONODISCIPLINARY**

necessary to develop a **MULTIDISCIPLINARY** stations network

automated stations



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international cooperation

- monodisciplinary & interdisciplinary problem solving within REUs
- development of INPs and international student teams joint teaching
- virtual joint projects through lake.baikal.ru
- development of lake.baikal.ru resources

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starting point of limnoecology school



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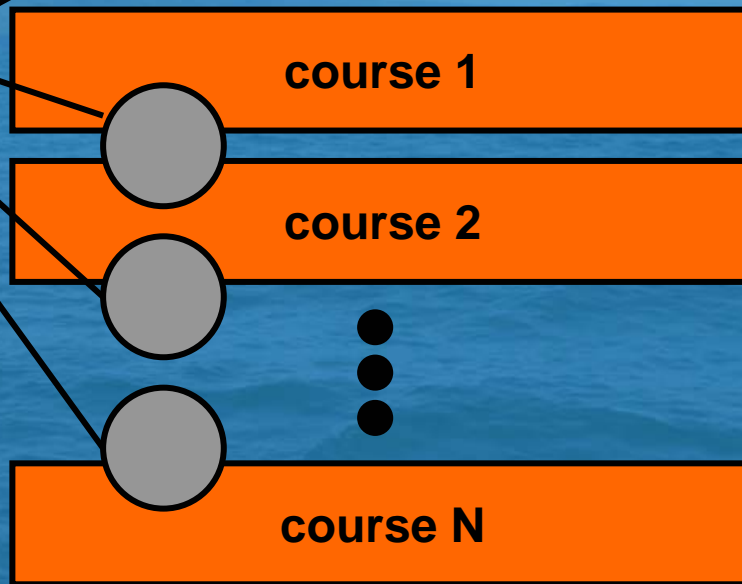
education through research

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- postgraduate & PhD students
- interdisciplinary network packages of courses
- RE- & IE-labs
- competitions
- motivation increasing
- general public education

interdisciplinary network packages

interfaces between
courses



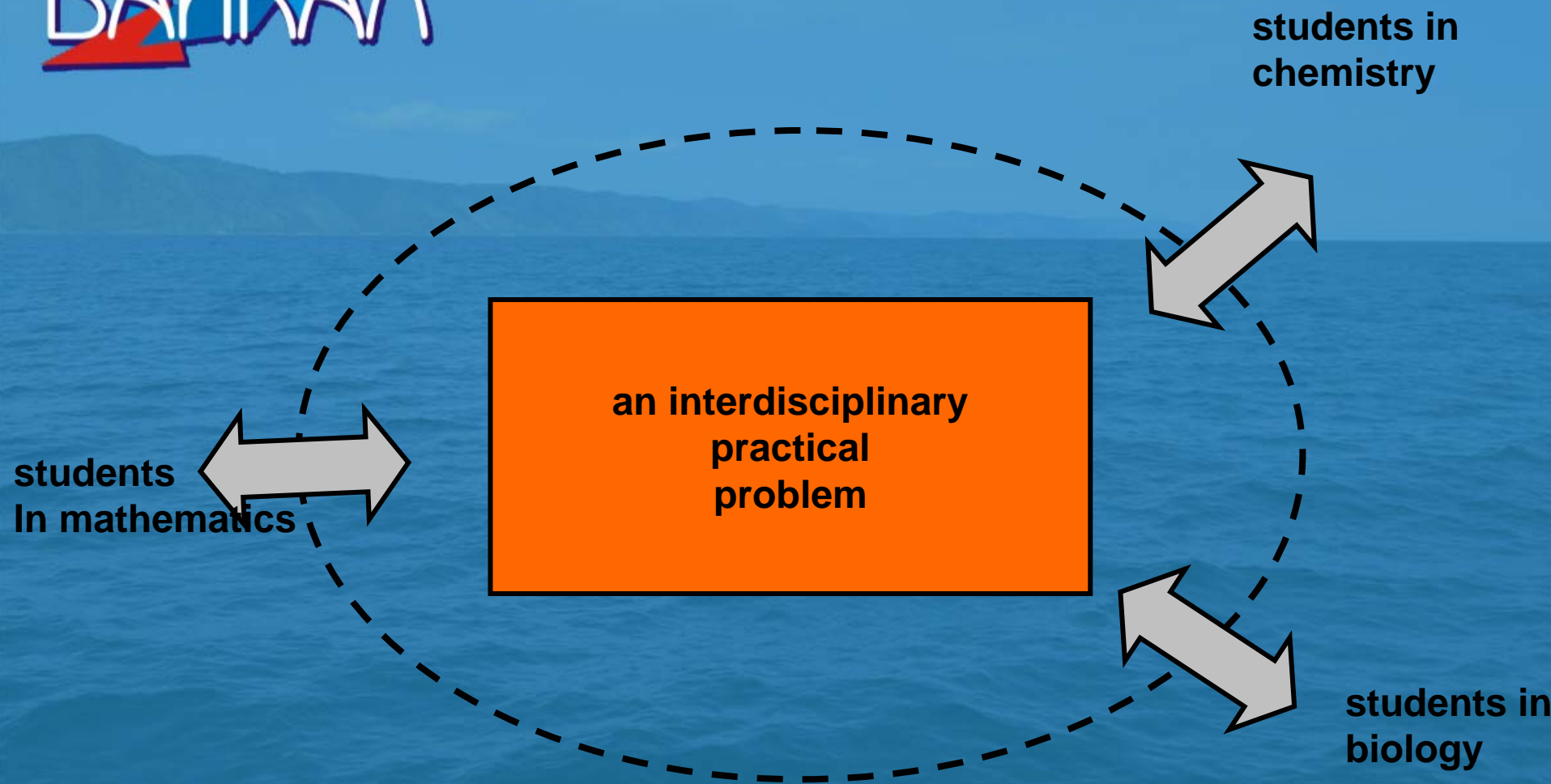
INP

interface
for
chemists

interface
for
mathematicians

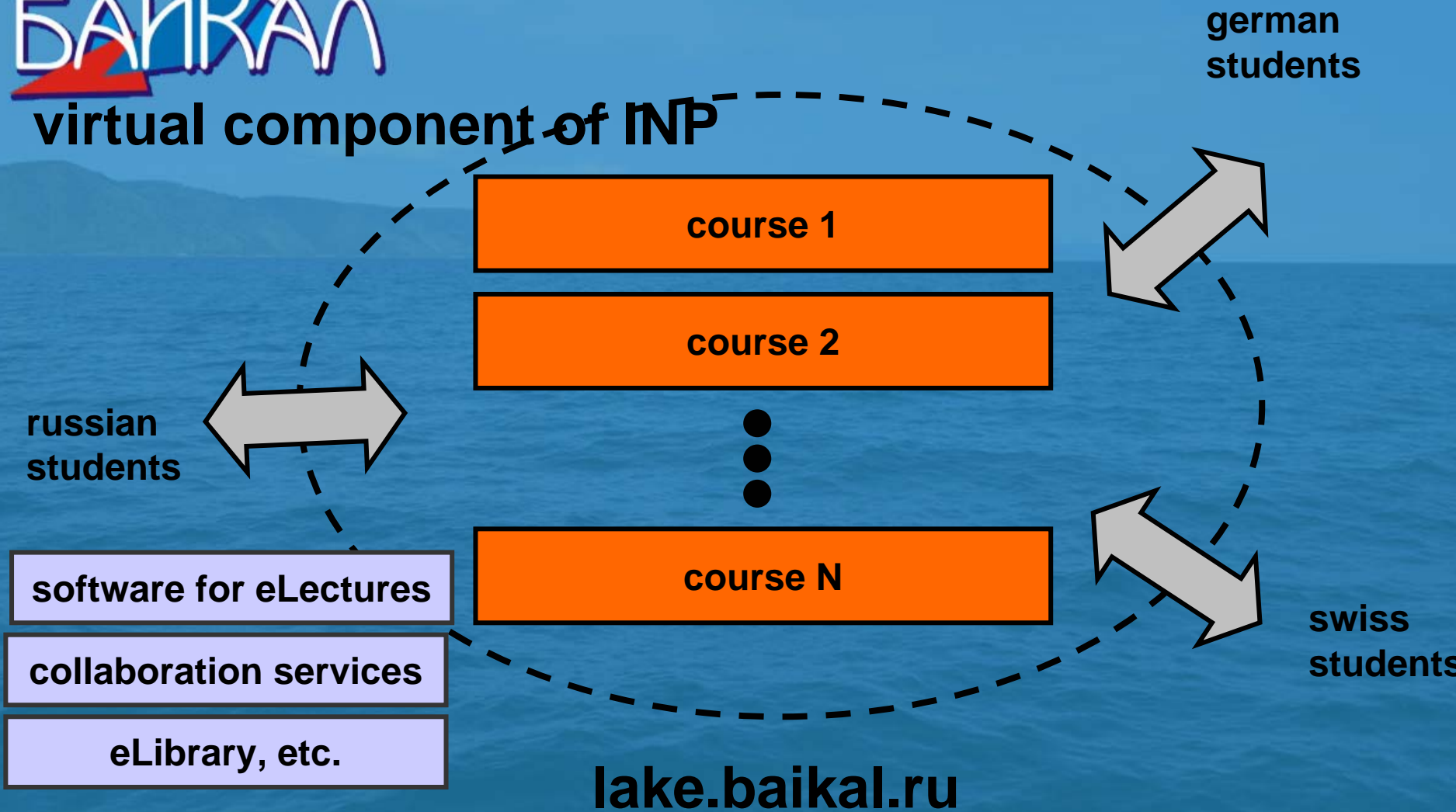
interface
for
biologists

INP: joint problem solving

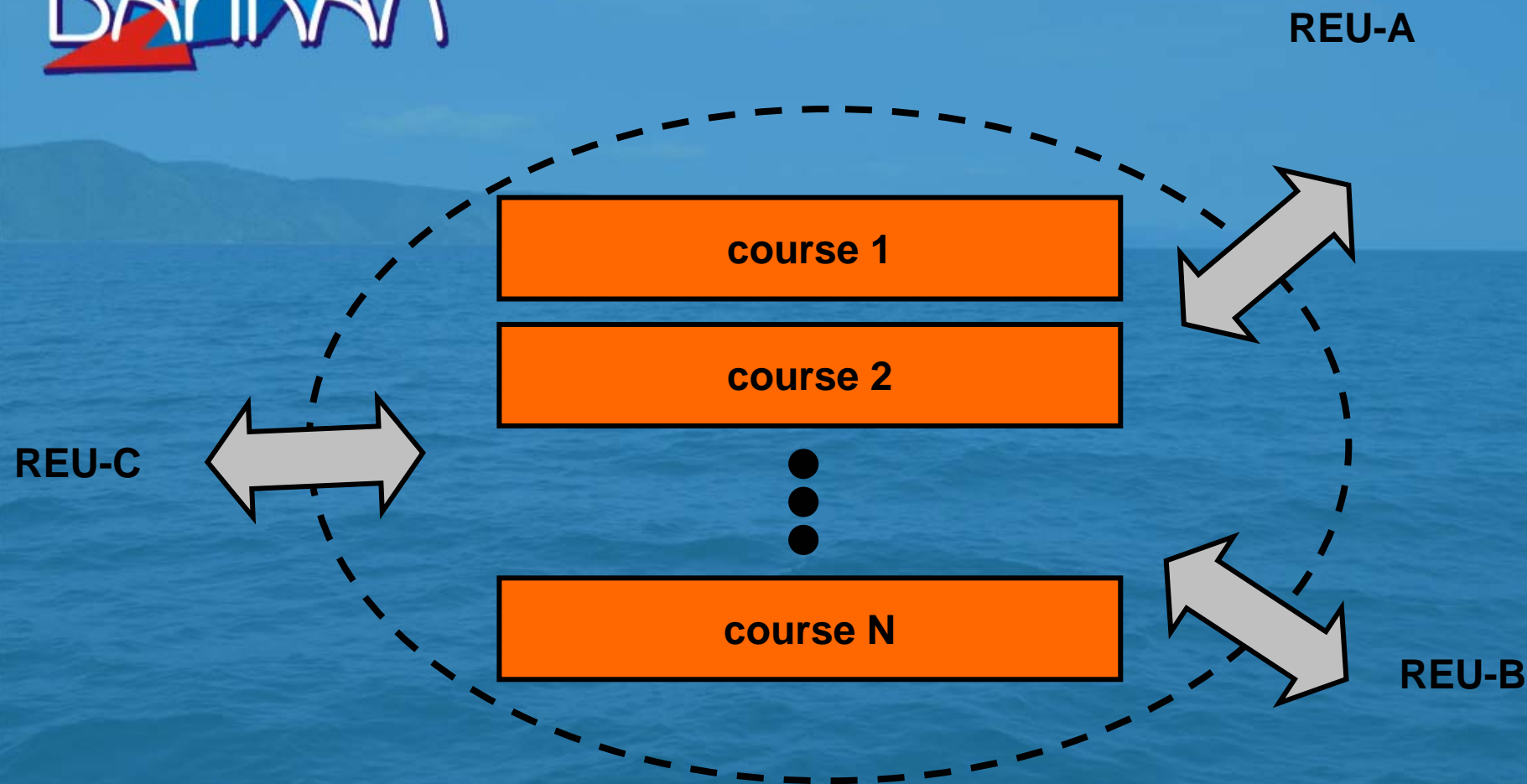


INP: a virtual component

virtual component of INP



INP: REUs' collaboration



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INP: pilot projects

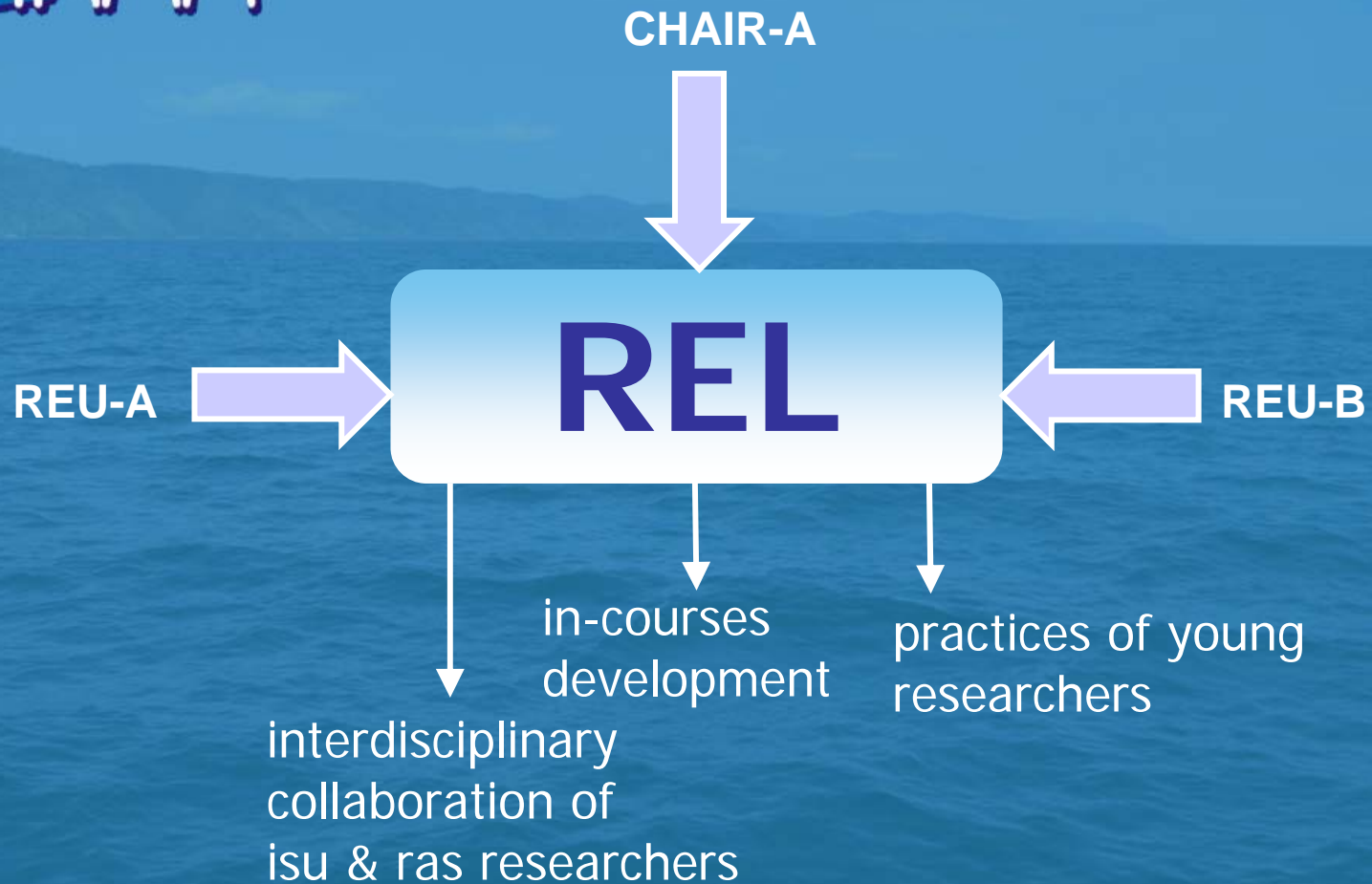
international summer
school, Aug 2007

- limnoecology
- baikalian siberia

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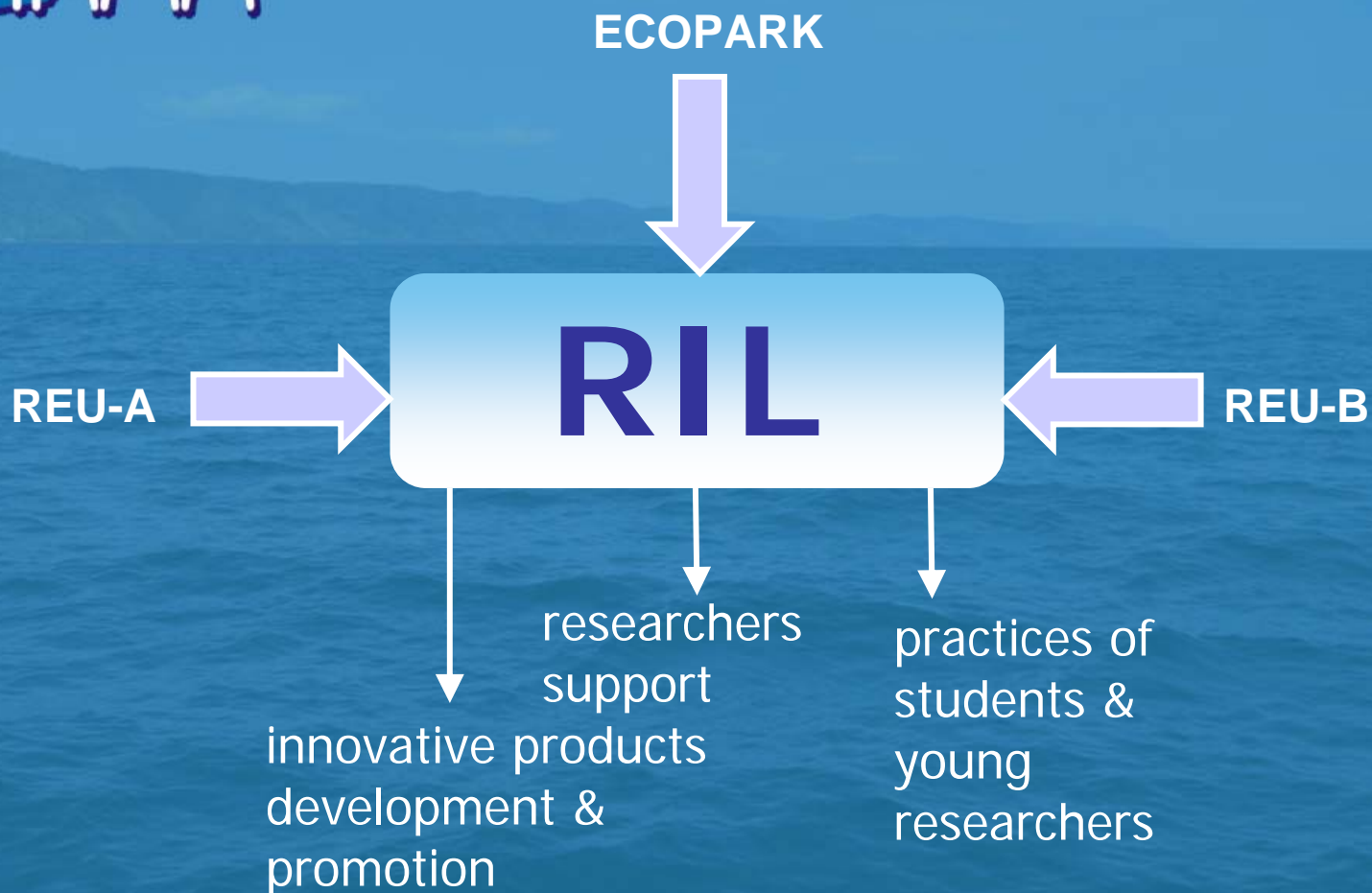
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research innovational labs



- the basic virtual platform of the center
- rus & eng versions

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eLibs, QA-systems,
DBs, knowledge
processing

project management,
eLearning
social projects

data & knowledge
collection &
distribution

specific
web-services

networking

information support

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regional impact



the roundtable "REC 'Baikal'
as an innovation model
for the research and
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at the Baikal Economic
Forum
Feb 2007

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general public education

- ecological knowledge in common use
- lake.baikal.ru information resources
- education of local people through research stations
- special activities for secondary schools
- professional skills improvement

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future work

- large joint projects: sensor networks, db, processing & simulation
- multilateral projects (Germany, USA, Switzerland...)
- young researchers collaboration
- summer schools
- in-courses
- lake.baikal.ru: virtual projects, institutes, labs
- baikal future community

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thanks!