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XI SIMPÓSIO SOBRE A MARGEM IBÉRICA ATLÂNTICA
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Presentation

The Symposium on the Iberian Atlantic Margin (MIA) is a multidisciplinary scientific meeting between Portugal and Spain, held alternately every three years. The first edition took place in Lisbon (1994) followed by Cádiz (1997), Faro (2000), Vigo (2003), Aveiro (2006), Oviedo (2009), Lisbon (2012), Malaga (2015), Coimbra (2018), and Bilbao (2022). In 2025, Hydrographic Institute (IH) will be the host of the XI edition.

The IH is one of the oldest Portuguese maritime research institutions, with origins dating back to the Maritime Discoveries of the Renaissance, when nautical cartography and navigation were taking their first steps toward a systematic scientific methodology. Created in 1960, the IH is an institution of the Portuguese Navy and a State Laboratory, whose main mission is to ensure activities related to marine sciences, with applications in military operations, navigation safety, maritime data infrastructure, and environmental monitoring, contributing to scientific research and economic and social development. The IH focuses on observing the ocean, including its geospatial and physico-chemical dimensions, modelling, and providing support services to a vast community of sea users and resource stakeholders.

This symposium is an informal and open meeting, which aims to present and discuss the most recent methods and results of scientific research and activities carried out by researchers and postgraduate students, addressing the processes and evolution of the Iberian Atlantic Margin.

Date and venue

The XI Symposium on the Iberian Atlantic Margin will be held from October 29 to October 31, 2025, at the Hydrographic Institute, housed in the ancient Convento das Trinas do Mocambo, located at Rua das Trinas nº49, in Lisbon.

The former Convento das Trinas do Mocambo is a historic building dating from the 17th-18th century located in one of the oldest areas of Lisbon, at the heart of the city, and has a privileged view over the old houses and the Tagus River. The IH facilities include two auditoriums (110 and 40 seats), several exhibition and meeting rooms, a library and indoor gardens, which will be available for the symposium. Meals will be served in a spacious, open-plan room with a sunny terrace and panoramic views.

Meeting Structure

This symposium will be held in person over three days. Communications may be given in Portuguese, Spanish, or English.

The program includes oral and poster communications during the first two days, organized into scientific/thematic sessions. Keynote lectures are also planned, along with the possibility of additional thematic sessions (workshops) depending on interest.

As extra-symposium activities, a symposium dinner will be held on the first day, while the third day is reserved for a field trip, subject to registration.



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Scientific sessions (to be confirmed on the website)

- SC1:** Nature and structure of the Iberian continental margin and Macaronesia
- SC2:** Dynamics, sedimentation and environmental evolution of the coastal zone
- SC3:** Morphodynamics and sedimentation on continental shelves
- SC4:** Deep-water circulation and associated morpho-depositional systems
- SC5:** Marine biology and ecosystems
- SC6:** Habitats and management of underwater space: marine protected areas
- SC7:** Underwater historical heritage and geoarchaeology
- SC8:** Renewable and non-renewable marine resources
- SC9:** Geological record of extreme marine events
- SC10:** Active tectonics of the Iberian Peninsula
- SC11:** Oceanic volcanism, mineralisation and submarine hazards
- SC12:** Numerical modelling of processes in the marine environment
- SC13:** Biogeochemical processes and atmosphere/ocean/sediment interactions
- SC14:** Extension of the continental shelf (UNCLOS): exploration & exploitation approach.

Thematic sessions (to be confirmed on the website)

- ST1:** Microplastic pollution: analysis methodologies and impacts on ecosystems
- ST2:** Deposits from tsunamis and other extreme marine events
- ST3:** Underwater acoustics: observation and its impacts
- ST4:** Meso-Cenozoic sedimentary record of the continental shelf

Symposium prices:

	Before 25 July 2025	After 25 July 2025
Regular registration	190 €	240 €
Students	115 €	165 €

Prices include lunch on session days at the Hydrographic Institute. The excursion will require prior registration and separate payment (information will be made available on the meeting website)

Important dates:

- **March 10:** publication of the 1st circular
- **April 08:** publication of the 2nd circular - with general programme, committees, instructions for paper submission
- **April 08:** start of online registration (pre-registration) and start of abstract submission
- **May 30:** Deadline for abstract submission
- **June 30:** publication of the 3rd circular (generic program and instructions for presenting papers, confirmation of the symposium format)
- **July 25:** Deadline for receipt of revised abstracts and reduced-price registrations
- **September 30:** Publication of the final program
- **29-31 October:** XI MIA Symposium.



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