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Call for Abstracts - Registration

VIII SYMPOSIUM ON POLAR STUDIES

Palma de Mallorca (Spain), 7-9 September 2011

The VIII Symposium on Polar Studies is promoted by the Spanish SCAR Committee and organized in collaboration with the Spanish Polar Research Program. Major objectives of the Symposium are to promote the exchange of information between research groups working on different aspects of polar research, either in the Arctic or in Antarctica, and to encourage collaborative links at both national and international level. This will be the first Polar meeting to be held in Spain after the International Polar Year (IPY, 2007-2008), and therefore it is expected to disseminate and evaluate the participation of Spanish groups in the framework of the IPY.

The Symposium will host parallel meetings of the *Standing Committee on Antarctic Data Management (SCADM)*, the *Standing Committee on Antarctic Geographic Information (SCAGI)* and the *ICSU Task Group on the Governance of Polar Data (CODATA)*. The members of these committees will participate in some of the sessions of the Symposium.

Here you can find more information on the scope and the contents of the Symposium.

Location

Campus of the University of the Balearic Islands, *Guillem Cifre* building.
Palma-Valldemossa road, km 7.5, Palma de Mallorca, Spain.

Here you can find information on how to reach Mallorca and the Campus.

Language

Presentations will be either in Spanish or in English.

Program

There will be invited presentations given by outstanding polar researchers. Oral presentations are intended to put the focus on overall results and to highlight interdisciplinary aspects of the research, in order to facilitate the links between research groups. Poster presentations can focus on more specific topics. The Symposium will also host round tables on different issues related to polar research.

The preliminary program is shown in the following page. It will be periodically updated **here**.

Tuesday 6/Sep/2011

Meeting of the Spanish SCAR Committee and the Scientific and Organizing committees of the Symposium. Meeting of the SCAR-SCADM and CODATA committees.

Wednesday 7/Sep/2011

Morning

- 08:00 – 09:15: Registration and distribution of documents/material
09:15 – 09:30: Opening ceremony
09:30 – 10:15: Invited Talk: “Perspectives of Spanish Polar Research”. Margarita Yela, Manager of the Spanish Polar Research Program
10:15 – 11:00: Invited talk: “The Southern Ocean Observing System”. Eberhard Fahrback, Alfred Wegener Institute, Bremerhaven (Germany)
11:00 – 11:30: Coffee break
11:30 – 13:30: Oral Presentations (O1-O6)

Afternoon

- 15:00 – 15:30: Brief presentation of the posters clustered by topics (P-I)
15:30 – 17:00: Poster session in front of the panels (P-I)
17:00 – 17:30: Coffee break
17:30 – 18:30: Oral Presentations (O7-O9)
19:30: Reception at Bellver castle offered by the Town Council of Palma

Thursday 8/Sep/2011

Morning

- 09:30 – 10:15: Invited Talk: “Results from the International Polar Year”. Ian Allison, Australian Antarctic Division, Hobart (Australia)
10:15 – 11:00: Invited Talk: “Evolutionary history of the Antarctic marine fauna”. Andrew Clark, British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge (UK)
11:00 – 11:30: Coffee break
11:30 – 12:30: Oral Presentations (O10-O12)
12:30 – 13:30: Round Table on Polar Data Management, with the participation of the SCAR Standing Committee on Antarctic Data Management (SCADM) and the Spanish Polar Data Centre

Afternoon

- 15:00 – 15:30: Brief presentation of the posters clustered by topics (P-II)
15:30 – 17:00: Poster session in front of the panels (P-II)
17:00 – 17:30: Coffee break
17:30 – 18:15: Invited Talk: “SCAR History: from the International Geophysical Year 1957-58 to the International Polar Year 2007-2008”. David Walton, British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge (UK)
21:00: Symposium dinner

Friday 9/Sep/2011

Morning

- 09:30 – 10:15: Invited Talk: “International Cooperation in Polar Research”. Mike Sparrow, Executive Director of SCAR
10:15 – 11:00: Invited Talk: “Advances on geodynamic research and observations in the polar regions”. Terry Wilson, Ohio State University (USA)
11:00 – 11:30: Coffee break
11:30 – 13:30: Oral Presentations (O13-O18)

Afternoon

- 15:00 – 16:00: Round Table on the Cooperation between Portugal and Spain in Polar Research.
16:00 – 16:30: Conclusions of the Symposium
16:30 – 17:00: Closing ceremony

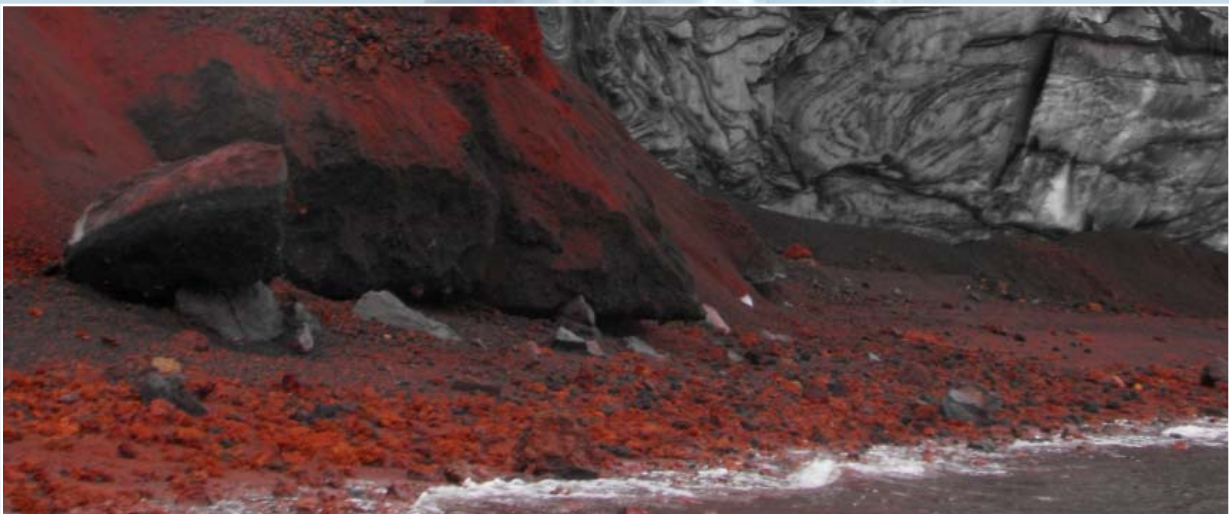
Abstract Submission

Abstracts must be submitted through the web page of the Symposium, following the instructions detailed in [there](#).

When choosing between oral or poster, please keep in mind that oral presentations are intended to reflect overall results of research groups and must highlight interdisciplinary aspects of the research, since they will be presented in plenary sessions. Oral presentations will last for 15 min + 5 min for questions.

Poster presentations are devoted to more specific aspects of the research. It is intended that all posters can be briefly introduced in a joint session.

The deadline for Abstract submission is May 15, 2011. The decision on the abstract acceptance, either as an oral presentation or as a poster will be sent out on June, 10.



Registration

Participants must register through the [web page](#) of the Symposium.

The early registration fee is 120 € plus 27 € to cover the three lunches that will be served at the Symposium site.

The early student registration fee is 60 € plus the cost of the lunches.

The deadline for early registration is July 1, 2011. An additional 50% will be charged to the fees after that date.



Organizing Institutions

- Spanish SCAR Committee
- Instituto Mediterráneo de Estudios Avanzados (IMEDEA, Universitat de les Illes Balears - CSIC)

Funding Institutions

- Ministry of Science and Innovation, Spanish Polar Research Program
- Regional Government of the Balearic Islands, G. D. of Research, Technological Development and Innovation.
- Spanish SCAR Committee
- Spanish Geological and Mining Institute, Spanish Polar Data Centre
- University of the Balearic Islands

-Local Organizing Committee

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Dates of interest

May 15, 2011: deadline for abstract submission
June 10, 2011: acceptance of presentations
July 1, 2011: deadline for early registration
July 28, 2011: release of the final program
September 7-9, 2011: Symposium dates

Contact:

Practical and logistic issues of the Symposium are in charge of *UIB-Congrés*. You can contact them filling **this form** in the Symposium web site, or calling to the Telephone number: +34 971 172000 (FAX: +34 971 172020).

All the information on the Symposium can be found on the web site:

<http://www.uibcongres.org/congresos/ficha.en.html?cc=207>