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Call for Papers: 22nd Annual Submarine Symposium TENERIFE – Canary Islands – SPAIN October 7 – 10, 2025

The **MTS Submarine Committee** and the **World Submarine Organization (WSO)**, in partnership with the **Submersible Operators Group (SOG)**, proudly present the **22nd Annual Submarine Symposium**, set to take place at the **Spanish Oceanographic Institute in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands**. This year marks a significant milestone, as the symposium moves to an international stage for the first time, aligning with a long-term vision to rotate the event between **America, Europe, and Asia**.

This four-day event will bring together leading experts, industry stakeholders, regulators, and innovators to discuss advancements in submarine technology, safety regulations, and operational best practices. Attendees will gain valuable insights through technical presentations, collaborative discussions, and networking opportunities with professionals from across the globe.

 **Conference Dates:** October 7-10, 2025

 **Location:** Spanish Oceanographic Institute, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain

Conference Highlights

- ◆ **SOG 2025** – A specialized two-day forum dedicated to submersible operators, manufacturers, and classification bodies. This gathering will provide a platform for sharing expertise, discussing operational challenges, and advancing safety standards through collaborative workshops and industry panels.
- ◆ **WSO Flag State Meeting** – A closed-door session bringing together international port and maritime authorities to work toward a unified classification system for small submarines and submersibles. This initiative aims to enhance global safety regulations, streamline recognition and evaluation of submersibles, and foster regulatory harmonization across borders. Industry leaders, operators, and policymakers will have the opportunity to shape the future of global submersible governance.
- ◆ **MTS Annual Submarine Symposium** – The flagship conference for the global submarine industry, dedicated to human-occupied vehicle technologies, research expeditions, regulatory developments, and the latest advancements in submersible engineering. Featuring cutting-edge technical papers and expert-led discussions, this symposium welcomes professionals from all sectors, including exploration, leisure, research, military, and security.

Submission Deadline: August 15, 2025

Prospect Speakers: Send abstract submissions by email to wkohnen@hydropacegroup.com

CONFERENCE GENERAL REGISTRATION: To Open in May 2025 – To be Announced

2025 Program Themes

- New Vehicles & Technologies
- Global Submersible Operations
- Research & Expeditions
- Submarine Rescue Systems
- Advanced Underwater Engineering & Materials
- Power, Propulsion & Navigation Systems
- Governmental Regulations
- Classification Societies Updates
- Historical Events & Stories

Join us for this landmark event uniting industry leaders, researchers, and regulators to shape the future of international submarine and submersible exploration.

SUBMISSION:

Send a short Abstract with Title and your contact details via email to one of the contacts below. We will gather all papers and contact you by email for further details.

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