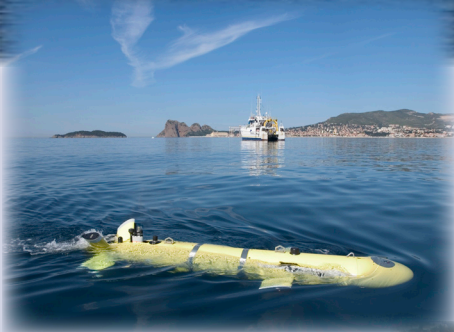


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Toulon, France

8-10 October 2008

hosted by Ifremer



First announcement and Call for Abstract

CONTEXT

After *Inmartech06* hosted by WHOI in USA, the coming *Inmartech08* Symposium is welcome by Ifremer in Toulon, close to the French Riviera, on October 8-10, 2008.

The Ifremer Toulon centre is located in the harbour of La Seyne-sur-Mer in the west end of the Bay. It is a logistical base for Ifremer fleet also called «European Centre of Underwater Technologies» (CETSM) which activities are focused on underwater technology. The main underwater operational systems, Coastal AUV fleet, Deep-sea *Victor 6000* ROV and the manned submersible *Nautilie* are based in this centre.

Ifremer is member of the internationally-oriented "Pôle MER PACA" (Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur) competitiveness cluster which brings together key players from the worlds

of industry, research and education working in the areas of safety and security and in sustainable development, numerous companies involved in marine technologies are installed in the area.

An Internet site will be open for the 15th of June with programs and accommodations, travel, local attractions and other logistical data: <http://wwz.ifremer.fr/inmartech08>.

The maritime City of Toulon nestles in Europe's largest and most beautiful bay, bordered by high wooded hills topped with ancient forts; an unusual but idyllic marriage of sea and mountain. Although the city has been a powerful military port for centuries, its bay offers much more than the naval base.

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PROPOSED TOPICS

A first list of open topics is proposed:

- New vessels or vessel projects
- Ice breakers
- New manned submarines and innovative underwater systems
- ROV/AUV deployment and interoperability
- Long coring performances and quality improvement
- Long moorings
- Best practices and legal status about AUVs and gliders operations
- Environmental new constraints
- Towed seismic equipment: perspectives and performances
- Data treatment, networks and communication
- Operational engineering on complex work fields: intervention on wreck, installation and maintenance of deep sea observatories
- Lessons learned
- Suggestions for additional topics can be done to inmartech08@ifremer.fr up to the end of June 2008 and shall be updated on the <http://wwwz.ifremer.fr/inmartech08.fr> website

DEADLINES

Abstracts of proposals are due by email to inmartech08@ifremer.fr for the end of July 2008

Final program should be edited for the 15th of September

Workshop materials (PowerPoint, pdf, posters...) would be required for the end of September 2008

SESSIONS AND TOUR

The workshop is organised around two days of plenary and parallel sessions, and will be conclude by a half day workshop and a wrap-up session.

Inmartech08 also included Ifremer facility tours, with 'Pôle Mer PACA' clusters Industrial presentations.

FEES

The Symposium Fees are:

Registration, proceedings, Ice Breaker, Lunches, coffee breaks and Ifremer Tour: 100€

Additional Gala diner : 30€

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