Introduction

Every year since 1985, the <u>Societat Catalana</u> <u>de Física</u> (SCF, http://blogs.iec.cat/scfis/) and the <u>Institut Menorquí d'Estudis</u> (IME, http://www.ime.cat) organize the conference entitled <u>Trobades Científiques de la Mediterrània</u> (TCM), with the support of several academic institutions. The main objective is to provide a framework for the exchange of knowledge on a current research topic within the field of physics and to promote the communication and collaboration between scientists and technicians of the neighbouring regions of Catalonia and the Balearic Islands.

From the XXIX edition of 2013 onwards, the name of the conference change to *Trobades Científiques de la Mediterrània - Josep Miquel Vidal*, as a tribute to the person that promoted and organized the conference from its very first edition to that moment.

The 2016 conference

Also the 2016 edition of the TCM wants to pay a tribute, in this case to three people that have pioneered (altogether with others) the field of modern Mediterranean oceanography. They are Dr. Marta Estrada, Dr. Jordi Font and Dr. Jordi Salat, who have developed practically all their careers at the Institute of Marine Sciences in Barcelona and that this year have reached the retirement age.

According to its character of tribute, the topic of the TCM 2016 intends to be very wide. It obviously includes physical oceanography, but also chemical, biological and geological oceanography. Theoretical, numerical and observational studies covering from regional to planetary scales are welcome. Although the focus will be put on the Mediterranean, studies focusing on other regions will also be accepted.

The TCM 2016 will thus be a multidisciplinary forum aimed to fostering the interaction between the different parcels of Marine Sciences.

Format of the conference

The TCM 2016 will be articulated in two and half days of presentations and will host several invited talks. Non-invited contributions may be oral (15-20 min in Catalan, Spanish or English) or as a poster. Authors shall indicate their preference when submitting the abstract, but the Scientific Committee will decide between oral or poster presentation basing on the number and topic of the submitted abstracts.

Also the articulation of the conference in sessions will be determined basing on the amount and topics of the accepted contributions.

Dates and venue

La XXXII edition of the TCM will be held from the 5th to the 7th of October, 2016 at *Can Victori*, the IME headquarters located at Camí des Castell, 28, in Maó (Minorca). Information about the venue, accommodation and other practical details will be made available through the website of the conference.

Registration

The registration fee is 140 € for permanent staff (90 € for SCF and IME members) and 70 € for students. The fee includes the conference material, welcome reception, coffee breaks, gala dinner and excursion. The registration form can be downloaded from the conference website and must be sent dully filled to the SCF. The deadline for receiving the form is the 16th of September.

Abstract submission

Authors interested in giving a presentation shall submit an abstract sending it by e-mail to planeta-ocea@icm.csic.es. The deadline for the reception of abstracts is the 11th of July. The abstract templates (in Catalan, Spanish and English) can be downloaded from the website of the conference.

The authors will receive a letter of acceptance before the 25th of July, and the Program of the conference will be published before the 31st of July. The Program and all the accepted abstracts will be made available through the website of the conference.

Important dates:

July 11: deadline for abstract submission.

July 25: reception of acceptance letters.

July 31: publication of the Program. **September 16:** registration deadline.

October 5-7: dates of the TCM 2016.

Website of the TCM 2016:

This leaflet, the abstract templates, the conference Program, the book of abstracts and other practical information can already be downloaded or will be made available from the web site:

http://planeta-ocea.icm.csic.es

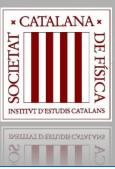
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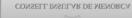
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Organization

In addition to the *Institut Menorquí d'Estudis* and *Societat Catalana de Física* that jointly organize all the editions of the TCM, this XXXII edition has also been organized by the Mediterranean Institute for Advanced Studies (IMEDEA, http://imedea.uib-csic.es/) and the Institute of Marine Sciences of Barcelona (ICM, http://icm.csic.es/).

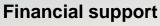












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