



25 – 28 September 2012

NIOZ, Texel, The Netherlands

INMARTECH 2012



Background

- 8th INMARTECH meeting, earlier meetings have been in Southampton (UK), SCRIPPS, San Diego, (USA); NIOZ, Texel (the Netherlands); JAMSTEC, Yokosuka (Japan); BAS, Cambridge (UK); WHOI, Woodshole (USA); and by Ifremer, Toulouse, (France).
- initiated, and coordinated, by the annual International Research Ship Operators meetings (IRSO, formerly ISOM).
- Purpose of INMARTECH: to provide a forum for (operational) marine technicians to meet.
- The aims: exchange of knowledge and experiences, to improve equipment performance, deployment and operational techniques during scientific cruises on research vessels.

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So far, we have received registrations from 13 countries: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, Spain, UK and USA.

The meeting format will be different from 'normal' meetings like ERVO. low profile because of the type of people attending.

The 8th Inmartech symposium will start off with an Ice breaker party on Tuesday September 25th and the main symposium will be from 26 – 28 September. On Thursday afternoon there we hoep to have a cruise on Pelagia with demonstrations of equipment and a dinner on board.

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Preliminary Programme

Sessions:

- 1: In Situ Observations: Moorings, Landers, ROV/AUV,
 - 2: Coring: Coring, Cooperation, Cables and winches
 - 3: Seismics: Multibeam, Cooperation, Innovation
 - 4: Shipboard session: Containers, Handling of equipment, ISIS
 - 5: Open session: all other topics that are of interest to the INMARTECH audience.
- If a topic turns out to be very popular it may be included as a separate session.
In all sessions: Interoperability and Innovation.

In every session: Lessons learned/ tips and tricks

Most of the presentation will be “Show and Tell” sessions where participants talk about their own organisation, show their equipment and talk about their marine operations and share their good and, more importantly, their not-so-good experiences.

New RV builds: Poster session.

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INMARTECH provides a very good opportunity for marine technicians to meet other technicians and talk about operations at sea.

We hope to see technicians from ERVO countries as well!