

Encontro
de Sesimbra 2026
Oceanografia

**Instructions and Relevant
Information**



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Instructions for submitting abstracts

Abstract submission must be completed by **March 29** via the form on the apocean.pt website and must include:

- **Text body:** author and institution, title, and presentation type (oral or poster).
- **Attachment:** the file name must follow the format “Surname_Name_EO2026”. If submitting more than one abstract, include a number at the end of the file name (e.g., Surname_Name_EO2026-1). Each registered author can submit up to two abstracts.

The template standards must be followed. Abstracts may be written in Portuguese or English.

Submissions for oral presentations may be considered for a poster.

Abstracts from authors who are not registered will not be accepted.

Types of presentations

Oral: Duration of 15 minutes (10 minutes for presentation + 5 minutes for discussion). Participants must send their presentation to oceanografia@apocean.pt by **May 15** via WeTransfer (or similar) and also bring it on a USB drive to the Meeting. The file name must follow the format mentioned above, “Surname_Name_EO2026”.

Poster: The size must not exceed A1 dimensions (594 × 841 mm). All authors will have the opportunity to present a pitch about their poster in video format, if they want. The video must not exceed 3 minutes and must be recorded in landscape orientation. Participants must send their video to oceanografia@apocean.pt by **May 15** via WeTransfer (or similar). The file name must follow the format mentioned above, “Surname_Name_EO2026”. All materials required to hang the poster will be provided by the organization.



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Registration and Payment

Registration for the Oceanography Meeting 2026 must be completed by **April 15** via the form on the apocean.pt website. Members must have their membership fees paid up to date by the close of registration to be considered as such for the purpose of the registration payment.

Registration fees include accommodation, breakfast, three coffee breaks, and meals (2 lunches and 1 dinner), with non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages (dinner only) included.

Payment must be made to APOCEAN by bank transfer, and proof of transfer must be sent to oceanografia@apocean.pt. The transfer reference and the name of the receipt file must follow the format "Surname_Name_EO2026".

Students must attach a copy of their enrollment certificate, student card, or a declaration from their supervisor.

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Accommodation and Travel

This year, the Oceanography Meeting 2026 will take place in Sesimbra, a coastal town in the Setúbal district. The SANA Sesimbra Hotel is located in front of Praia da Califórnia.

The accommodation provided in the registration is based on double occupancy. If a single room is requested, an additional fee of 70 € will apply. In the case of double room preference, and if no roommate is indicated, the organization reserves the right to assign participants to rooms.

All extra requests (e.g., additional nights, accompanying persons, extra meals) must be arranged directly with the hotel, identifying yourself as an event participant. All extra requests must be paid directly by the participants to the hotel.

There will also be a carpooling board to facilitate travel to the Meeting. If you need a ride or are available to offer one, you should fill out the document provided by the organization.



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Young Scientist Support

APOCEAN will support a limited number of students/grant holders. This support will only be granted to those presenting a communication (oral or poster) and will consist of a waiver of the Meeting registration fee.

Interested applicants must send an email to oceanografia@apocean.pt by **March 29**, including a motivation letter (max. 1 page), CV (max. 2 pages), and a description of the work they will present. The subject line of the email must be “Young Scientist Support EO2026 – Surname Name”.

Cristina Lopes Award

Cristina Lopes Solidarity Grant was created on the initiative of an APOCEAN member, with the aim of supporting students with reduced mobility or chronic illnesses in participating in conferences, workshops, and other science communication activities. This grant represents APOCEAN’s first scholarship with an explicit social focus and reflects APOCEAN’s commitment to inclusion and social support within the academic and scientific context.

- Amount: 500 €
- Eligibility: Undergraduate, Master’s, or PhD students.
- Priority Criteria: Preference will be given to applicants who provide medical documentation of reduced mobility or a chronic illness.
- Alternative Conditions: If no candidates meet these criteria, the grant will be awarded to other students, with the decision made by the APOCEAN board.
- Scope: The grant exclusively supports participation in science communication activities and is not intended for tuition fees or enrollment costs.
- Objective: To facilitate student participation in scientific events, promoting science communication and the inclusion of individuals whose health conditions may limit mobility or academic performance.
- Application: Interested candidates should send an email to direcao@apocean.pt including a motivation letter indicating the event or activity they wish to participate in, a medical certificate, and a CV (max. 2 pages).

The grant will be presented during the Oceanography Meeting 2026, and applications will be open during the designated periods.



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APOCEAN Award

This award aims to distinguish scientific work of outstanding merit, contributing to the recognition and promotion of research in oceanography, and consists of support of up to 500 € for participation in a conference. The APOCEAN Award will be presented during the Oceanography Meeting 2026. The evaluation will be carried out by a jury of experts from different areas of oceanography, appointed by the APOCEAN Board in conjunction with the organizing committee. The following regulations apply:

- Researchers currently undertaking a PhD or in a Postdoctoral stage (up to 10 years after completion) are eligible to apply;
- Papers published after June 2024 will be considered, provided the applicant is the first author;
- The paper may address any area of oceanography. Evaluation criteria include scientific quality, the impact factor of the journal in which the work was published, and its relevance to oceanography in general, to the Portuguese scientific community, and to the relevant geographical context;
- Applications may be submitted by the candidate or by a third party;
- The candidate must be present at the Oceanography Meeting 2026 and present the submitted work;
- The paper must be submitted together with a brief text (2–3 paragraphs) clearly defining its relevance;
- The paper must be sent in PDF format to oceanografia@apocean.pt by April 15. The author must clearly state the intention to participate. The email subject line must read: “APOCEAN Award EO2026 – Surname Name”;
- After the application deadline, the APOCEAN Board, together with the Meeting’s Organizing Committee, will appoint a jury taking into account the areas of specialization of the submitted works;
- The jury’s decision is final and not subject to appeal;
- Any matters not covered by these regulations will be resolved by deliberation of the jury.

