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# **MANAGING COASTAL AREAS**

Strengthening Ties between Scientists, Administration and Consultancies

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# Coastal Areas.

The mythic phrase' of May 1968, that lead the protest imperialism and the consume society, might be present during the worldwide coastal development in the subsequent decades. Several coastal Royal Decrees, Laws, and Regional Governmental Ordinances appeared to counter acts the huge and badly orchestrate coastal anthropogenic transformation due to sun and beach tourism frenzy.

Unlike what is observed in the map of Malaga of 1805, the recovery area of the beaches has been strongly reduced. Nowadays, the passage of a storm generates hundreds of incidents along the coastline of dozens of countries related to the destruction of coastal protection, beaches, and biodiversity, but also the flooding of promenades, coastal services, and homes. The costs of reconstruction, cleaning, replacement, and defense, which range from hundreds of thousands to several million euros per incident, cannot be assumed by private entities or local organizations. They are joined by the question of what will happen in the next storm, or in the incoming years by the sea level rise.

<sup>1</sup> Raise the cobblestones and you will see the beach!

The threat posed by climate change on the coast is taking on a relevant role today and on the agenda of politicians and coastal managers. The adverse effects produced by the storms on the already highly transformed coastal strip throughout the world are leading to a great extent to the lack of protection of the coast. This situation of discomfort of coastal communities grows as does vulnerability, danger, coastal risk, and the interest of managers due to its high and growing cost for local, regional, and national coffers. The pressures (of all kinds) due to the recurring and more frequent episodes of erosion and flooding are creating a breeding ground that can lead to urgent interventions supported by poorly informed decisions that will lead to even more expensive interventions in the future. This situation is aggravated if the legislative situation of each country on the coast is added to the equation.

The strategies that can be followed were documented in several manuscripts during decades. Those strategies can be the managed realignment, the hold the line, move seaward or limited intervention or do nothing. All of them were applied with adequacy in the past, but right now, data and methods allow new approximations to face on the issue.

The information about exponentially increases during the last few years and now researchers, consultancies and government have available data from climate observations, satellite imagery, global, European, and regional modelling, spatial data that contains soil uses, buildings, ports, dikes, population density, fish hatcheries or Posidonia meadows,

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among many others. These data feed several local modellings that allow to quantify the affection or repercussion of any new soft or hard intervention in the coast.

#### C | Workshop aims.

The workshop will create a working space where will be contextualized the efforts that researchers, consultancies and administrations made during the last decades to enable the activities and use of the coastal areas, saving the criteria of the green economy for the next century.

Several specific objectives are proposed to approach from different points of view:

- Contextualize the coastal erosion and the economics activities at the littoral.
- The legislation of the coasts and the environmental responsibility: managers, scope, protection, and administrations involved.
- Study cases determining the coastal erosion.
- Four work areas are established for:
  - Modeling coastal agents (from global to local drivers).
  - Modeling the seabed properties and morphology
  - Modeling coastal process from space.
  - Quantifying the risk for flooding a erosion.
- The role of the coastal managers

Open debates will be open at the end of every session with the objective of establishing a common framework that allows unifying the evaluation criteria of processes and thus strengthening the knowledge base of the management of coastal erosion and its planning.

## 🗐 | Contents of course.

The first day focus on a wide introduction to the context of European coastal erosion giving some clues about legislation, economic activities and administrations involved. During the afternoon, some current key projects (international, European, Spanish, and regional) will be exposed.

The second day is proposed the working areas. Four sessions that covered the full methodology applied in ICCOAST project will be presented. Attendants will be guided to understand and use the tools necessary to assess coastal erosion and flooding. This methodology is avant-garde, and it is the first time that has been applied for coastal modelling.

During the third day, policymakers, administrations, and consultancies will expose their experiences and opinions about the communication and relationships which each other's revealing the complex outlook of the coastal management.

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	First day	+		
08.30 - 09.00	Welcome		UNIA & GDFA	
		Speaker	Institution	
Morning session	The context of the coastal erosion	- · ·		
09.00 - 09.45	Erosion problem at the European coasts	Michalis I. Vousdoukas Scientific Officer	Joint European Research Center, Institute of Environment and Sustainability	
09.45 - 10.30	Coastal flooding and its costs	Eduardo Martínez Gomáriz Innovation Project Manager & Researcher & Associate Lecturer	Aigües de Barcelona & UPC	
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break			
11.00 - 11.45	European and Spanish legislation in the coastal area	Asensio Navarro Ortega Associate Professor	University of Granada	
11.45 - 12.30	Challenges in software design in maritime engineering	Pedro Magaña Redondo Post-doctoral Research	University of Granada	
12.30 - 13.30	OPEN DEBATE WITH SPEAKERS			
14.00 - 15.30	Lunch			
Afternoon session	Study cases			
15.30 - 16.15	MITECO Project	Mauricio Gonzalez	Hydraulic Institute of University of Cantabria	
16.15 - 17.00	Nature-based solutions	José Antonio Álvarez Antolínez Assistant Professor	University of Delft	
17.00 - 17.30	Coffee break			
17.30 - 18.15	CHAMFER Project	Andrés Payo Principal Scientist, Coasts & Estuaries Geohazards Research	British Geological Surve (United Kingdom)	
18.15 – 19.00	ICCOAST Project	Manuel Cobos Post-doctoral Research	Environmental Fluid Dynamics group	
19.00 – 19.45	OPEN DEBATE WITH SPEAKERS			
	Second day			
		Speaker	Institution	
Morning session	Modeling coastal agents (maritime climate and seabed properties and morphology)			

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08.30 - 10.30	WS. Geological modelling. How to create a thickness model layer of the seabed?	Helen F. Burke, Dave Morgan, Gareth Jenkins, Helen Smith	British Geological Survey (United Kingdom)	
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break			
11.00 - 13.00	WS. Stochastic methods for simulate environmental timeseries.	Pedro Otiñar, Marcus Santana, Pedro Magaña	Environmental Fluid Dynamics group	
14.00 – 15.30	Lunch			
Afternoon session	Modelling coastal processes			
15.00 - 17.00	WS. Stochastic measurements of flood and erosion.	Asunción Baquerizo, Marcus Santana, Pedro Magaña, Pedro Otíñar	Environmental Fluid Dynamics group	
17.00 - 17.30	Coffee break			
17.30 - 19.30	WS. Satellite Imagery. Use of Google Earth Engine.	Mar Roca	Institute of Marine Sciences of Andalusia – Spanish National Research Council (ICMAN–CSIC).	
	Third day			
Morning session	The coastal managing – roles			
09.00 - 09.45	The Regional actions over the coastal region	Juan José Alcántara Benjumea Coastal Service and Littoral Management (no confirmado)	SCGL – DGCACC Andalusian Government	
09.45 – 10.30	Coordinated coastal interventions	Angel González Castiñeira Coastal Service and Littoral Management	Head of the Demarcation of Mediterranean Coasts (Malaga)	
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break			
11.00 - 11.45	The Council actions over the coastal region	Jorge Martín Vivas Head of Consultancy	Estudio 7	
11.45 - 12.30	Consultancies and the coastal area	Mike Walkden Coastal hazard specialist – erosion and flood risk	Moffat & Nichols	
12.30 - 13.30	OPEN DEBATE WITH SPEAKERS			
13.30 - 14.00	Closure		UNIA & GDFA	
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#### Dates and location.

The following plan will cover the topics. The WS last three days while the starting date will be the Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> of 2023.

The workshop will be celebrated in the emblematic location of the <u>Technological Headquarters of the International</u> <u>University of Andalusia (UNIA) which is in the Congregation</u> <u>of Mena Building</u> in the heart of the city of Malaga.

The International University of Andalusia and the Environmental Fluid Dynamics group wish you a fruitful and enjoyable experience.

The Workshop is included as part of the Second Edition of the International University of Andalusia–Digital Research Award of Research on the promotion of the digital transformation of our society, open to the different topics such as digitization of processes, activities, institutions, communication formats, data management and storage, companies, and industries, etc. Dr. Manuel Cobos Budia acknowledges the support and international scope and projection of the award.

https://www.unia.es/noticias/manuel-cobos-budia-premio-unia-digital-de-investigacion-por-su-modelo-para-evaluar-la-calidad-de-agua-en-elestuario-del-guadalquivir

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