

The Fourth Xiamen Symposium on Marine Environmental Sciences

Jan. 6-9, 2019
Xiamen, China

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Xiamen Symposium on
Marine Environmental Sciences

First Announcement & Call for Session Proposals

<http://mel.xmu.edu.cn/conference/4xmas/index.asp>

Organizers and Sponsors

State Key Laboratory of Marine Environmental
Science (Xiamen University)

Department of Earth Sciences, National Natural
Science Foundation of China

Important Dates

Apr 30, 2018: Call for session proposal ends

May 31, 2018: Decision of proposals sent

June 1, 2018: Abstract submission begins

Aug 31, 2018: Abstract submission closes

Sep 30, 2018: Authors notified of acceptance

Oct 1-31, 2018: Registration

Nov 15, 2018: Scientific program posted

Jan 6-9, 2019: Conference

Venue

Xiamen, China

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Background

To foster knowledge and ideas exchange within the marine environmental science community and, in particular, to promote interdisciplinary studies, the State Key Laboratory of Marine Environmental Science (MEL, <http://mel.xmu.edu.cn/en>) of Xiamen University initiated the Xiamen Symposium on Marine Environmental Sciences (XMAS), with the overarching theme of The Changing Ocean Environment: From a Multidisciplinary Perspective. The XMAS-III was held in Jan 2017, attracting over 620 participants from more than 140 institutions across 21 countries.

The fourth iteration, XMAS-IV, will be held in Xiamen from January 6th to 9th, 2019. The symposium will consist of different, interconnected sessions covering physical oceanography, marine biogeochemistry, biological oceanography, and marine ecotoxicology along with workshops for emerging topics in marine environmental sciences.

Call for Session/Mini Workshop Proposals

Theme of XMAS-IV: **The Changing Ocean Environment: From a Multidisciplinary Perspective**

Proposal Submission Timeline

- ▶ Jan 29, 2018: Call for Session/Mini Workshop Proposals Begins
- ▶ Apr 30, 2018: Call for Session/Mini Workshop Proposals Ends
- ▶ May 31, 2018: Decision of Proposals Sent
- ▶ June 1, 2018: Abstract Submission Begins

Important Guidelines

- ▶ Session proposals with broader themes and larger scales are preferred, and session proposals with strong overlap will likely be merged. This is so as to minimize repetition and to build a program with sessions that are fewer but larger and stronger.
- ▶ If a session has less than 10 accepted abstracts, the SAC/LOC reserves the right to merge the abstracts to another session.
- ▶ Mini workshop shall aim at hot topics or latest emerging research areas. At least 3 speakers shall be included in a proposal.
- ▶ Co-conveners are preferably from different institutions. The maximum number of co-conveners is 4 per session/ mini-workshop.
- ▶ Co-conveners are encouraged to submit abstracts to their own session as well as other sessions.
- ▶ The SAC/LOC may request revisions to some proposals.
- ▶ Session/min-workshop convener's scheduling requests will be considered by SAC/LOC but cannot be guaranteed to be accommodated. The actual time allocation will vary according to the number of accepted abstracts. Sessions/mini-workshop could be scheduled between Sunday (Jan 6) evening and Wednesday (Jan 9) afternoon.

Information Required in the Proposals

- ▶ Relevance to the theme of XMAS-IV
- ▶ Session/Mini-workshop Title
- ▶ Session/Mini-workshop Description – within 400 words, including focus, scope, and objectives
- ▶ Name, affiliation and email for each Co-convener
- ▶ Name, affiliation and email for invited and proposed (if any) speakers

How to Submit Session Proposals

Please submit your proposal to the LOC via email (xmas@xmu.edu.cn) by Apr 30, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact the symposium LOC via this email.



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