



## *Notification*

### *6th International Course of Scientific Diving FPAS-CMAS*

The **Portuguese Federation of Underwater Activities (FPAS)**, with the support and endorsement of the **CMAS**, invite you to the 6th International Course of Scientific Diving in accordance with the standards established by the CMAS for the all levels of Scientific Diver. The Course will take place at the **Reserve islet of Vila Franca do Campo (RVFC)**, in **São Miguel, Azores Islands**, from **July 25 to July 31 2016**. The course will be given in spanish and portuguese. The course will be directed by the CISM Paulo Costa Silva and CISM Ma. Clotilde Zeckua Ramos (Director of the Scientific Committee of the CMAS America Zone).

The course is intended for any scientific with proven experience in diving for scientific underwater activities, and professionally related to scientific institutions. An application must be sent by e mail to [nasal@uac.pt](mailto:nasal@uac.pt) and [cotyzeckua@yahoo.com.mx](mailto:cotyzeckua@yahoo.com.mx)

The course will cover all levels of scientific diving. Applicants must fulfill the following requirements:

- Send via e mail the complete application (attached) to [nasal@uac.pt](mailto:nasal@uac.pt) and [cotyzeckua@yahoo.com.mx](mailto:cotyzeckua@yahoo.com.mx)
- Curriculum vitae indicating in detail all the performed scientific activities;
- For **Marine Biology** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 40 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For **Marine Geology** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 40 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For **Marine Archeology** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 40 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For **Marine Oceanology** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 40 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For **Scientific Diving** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 70 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For **Advanced Scientific Diving** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 3 stars or equivalent. (With a minimum of 100 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience);
- For the **Scientific Diving Instructor** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 2 stars Instructor or equivalent. (with a minimum of 150 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience); Bachelor's degree (professional degree or a minimum of 70% completion credits for a Bachelor's degree);
- For the **Advanced Scientific Diving Instructor** degree: Valid Diving Certification with a minimum of 3 stars Instructor or equivalent (with a minimum of 150 immersions in open water recorded logbook experience); Bachelor's degree (professional degree or a minimum of 70% completion credits for a Bachelor's degree).

The deadline to receive applications is **May 15 2016** with a limit of 20 applicants, all levels included.



Once accepted; the following documents must be presented when registering:

- Valid Diving certification (registered in the corresponding Federation and CMAS);
- Valid Diving Insurance;
- Medical Certification of diving aptitude (taken within the last 6 months);
- Logbook (with the minimum required experience in open waters);
- Complete personal SCUBA equipment;
- Any exceptional case must be discussed with the Course Director.

It is recommended to check the VISA to travel. For entry to the country concerned must have a passport in your name, date of validity of at least 6 months.

The cost of the Course is: € 750 euros (\$ 854.00 USD) and includes:

- Diving expenses (tanks, tank filling, weights), classes (lectures and practice), sea transportation to the RVFC station and to the practice sites, class, fee materials and certification (once the requirements are covered).
- We can find solutions for meals at the request of subscribers interested the scientific diving course or their companions.
- Possibility of accommodation in University residences.

Not includes:

- Transportation to the meeting point, meals and non-specified expenses.

Bank account for deposit in Euros: **CAIXA GERAL DE DEPÓSITOS**  
Beneficiary: **Federação Portuguesa de Actividades Subaquáticas**  
Account number: **0035 2174 0001 2188 8309 6**  
SWIFT BIC Code: **CGDI PT PL**

The meeting point will be in “Marina de Vila Franca do Campo”, in São Miguel, Azores Islands July 25 at 9:00 am. Special cases will be analyzed particularly.

**Included in the first 10 registrations the course Hollis Rebreather**

**This Event is officially endorsed by The World Underwater Activities Federation (CMAS)**

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