

DIVINGtalks

DIVING talks – Portugal 2021 – International Diving Congress
Tróia, October 8 – 10

PRESS RELEASE

WHAT ARE DIVING talks?

DIVING talks - Portugal 2021, is an international event for promoting and sharing knowledge on the underwater environment, which will occur in Portugal, October, 8 to 10, bringing Portugal the world's leading divers, showing their best recent achievements.

DIVING talks will feature 26 Talks by keynote speakers from Belgium, Canada, England, Finland, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland United States and Wales; host over 250 attendees from all over the world, in 3 fantastic days at the Tróia Peninsula--a gigantic dune that has been forming over thousands of years, with the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Sado estuary to the east.

DIVING talks is talking about diving; talking is an expression of communication, communicating is sharing; so let's talk about diving, and share the Talks!

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the DIVING talks 2021 are the following:

- Build up a diving event with international visibility and attractiveness;
- Host the world's leading divers, showing their best of the best recent initiatives;
- Allow the diving community to network with the world-leading divers;
- Show and debate technological advancements in diving;
- Establish in Portugal a new hub for all subjects related to diving, both technical and scientific.

SPEAKERS

The DIVING talks 2021 group of speakers will bring to the table exciting and new content to share and discuss with the international diving community.

- Ahmed Gabr (EGY)
- Alexandre Monteiro (POR)
- Andrew Marriott (USA)
- Armando Ribeiro (POR)
- Belen Andres (ESP)
- Jeff Lindsay (CAN)
- Marissa Eckert (USA)
- Mark Powell (ENG)
- Martyn Farr (WAL)
- Natalie Gibb (USA)
- Nuno Sa (POR)
- Oscar Camacho (POR)

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- Jill Heinerth (CAN)
- João Neves (POR)
- João Tasso (POR)
- José Pinto (POR)
- Krzysztof Starnawski (POL)
- Laurent Miroult (BEL)
- Marcus Blatchford (ENG)
- Paulo Costa (POR)
- Phil Short (ENG)
- Portuguese Navy Divers (POR)
- Rob Neto (USA)
- Rui Luis (POR)
- Sabine Kerkau (SWI)
- Sami Paakkarinen (FIN)

This list can be updated periodically.

WHY PORTUGAL?

In 2019 and for the third consecutive year, Portugal won the “World’s Leading Destination” award by WTA.

Portugal has a mild climate, 300 sunshine days per year, a vast coastline to the Atlantic Ocean (with over 1200 km extension), hundreds of beautiful beaches, and a two million square kilometres Exclusive Economic Zone (maritime domain).

These attributes are reasons why diving is fantastic, and yet, there is so much to discover.

Portugal offers perfect diving conditions; it is possible to dive all year round, excellent infrastructure for recreational and technical diving, from caves to wrecks and deep diving.

This Congress intends to be one more contribution to the recognition of Portugal as an international diving destination.

DIVING talks 2021 is also a pretext to put together the love for diving and a short trip with your crew, at the event location--Tróia.

The Troia peninsula is a gigantic sand dune that has been forming over thousands of years, with the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Sado estuary to the east. This unique location gives it an enormous wealth from the environmental point of view; a privileged setting, with beach, dune, marsh, estuary and pine forest environments.

More information about Portugal, Visit Portugal website: www.visitportugal.com

More information about diving in Portugal, visit Portugal Dive website: www.portugaldive.com

STRUCTURE OF THE EVENT

DIVING talks 2021 will be organized in three main strands:

1: THE TALKS

The Talks are an international opportunity to share the most innovative experiences in diving, *sub*-aquatic studies, and technological development.

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The Talks will feature exciting presentations about cave and wreck diving, underwater cinematography, sub-aquatic archaeological works, scientific investigation, and subaquatic military exercises.

These presentations will show the best, the most innovative content, the latest work and discoveries.

During the event, participants will be encouraged to enlarge their networks and become familiar with excellent examples of putting your diving objectives into practice.

THE EXHIBITION

DIVING talks 2021 will feature an exhibition area, 'show and tell' expo that will host a range of exhibitors from the global diving industry, showcasing their latest services, products and technologies.

Are you confused about which DPV to dive? Want to update your lighting system? Are you seeking inspiration for your next diving adventure? Or maybe you are thinking of buying your first rebreather? Benefit from valuable facetime with leading companies, users, and get all your questions answered without the usual hard sell.

DIVING talks 2021 will bring together up to 200 attendees, all with a genuine interest in diving. For exhibitors, this represents a fantastic opportunity to present your products to quality and uniquely focused audience.

THE DIVING ACTIVITY

The diving activity is an add on.

Portugal is Europe's NEW diving destination; participants may try the feeling; Portugal underwater. Hassle-free, just for fun.

Hence you're here, and the sea is right here too if you feel like getting underwater, you can. There will be a boat, diving equipment and a spot for you.

PROGRAM

DIVING talks 2021 will be held in 2021, October 8 to 10. The schedule is as follows:

FRIDAY, October 8 2021

10:00 – 18:00 Arrival, accreditation and set-up of displays

12:30 – 13:30 Welcome lunch

12:00 – 17:00 Diving Activity

15:00 – 15:30 Official opening of the Exhibition

SATURDAY, October 9 2021

All-day: Exhibition and visit to displays

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Morning: Keynote Talks 1 to 6

Afternoon: Keynote Talks 7 to 12

Evening: Gala dinner

SUNDAY, October 10 2021

Morning: Exhibition, visit stands and Keynote Talks 13 to 18

13:00: Closing Lunch & awards ceremony

Afternoon: Free site visits

Attendees will benefit from special conditions for accommodation on selected hotels close by the Congress venue.

Attendees wanting to arrive before October 8, or wishing to stay in Portugal after October 10, please reach out to Portugal Dive (www.portugaldive.com | portugaldive@portugaldive.com)

VISITING AND 'STAY & DIVE' PACKAGES

DIVING talks 2021 partners with Portugal Dive to provide the best planning solutions for Attendees wanting to spend some time in Portugal, visiting and diving, before or after the Congress.

Attendees wanting to benefit from special conditions hiring Portugal Dive's services, please provide a copy of your e-ticket when booking.

ORGANIZATION

- PORTUGAL DIVE
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