



# 2022 ICPC Plenary Call for Papers

- **Conference Date: 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in Madrid, Spain**
- **Abstract Deadline: Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

## **Conference Theme: *Installing, Operating and Maintaining Resilient Submarine Cable Infrastructure in a Rapidly Evolving Global Environment***

[The International Cable Protection Committee \(ICPC\)](#) now seeks presentation abstracts that speak to the conference's wide-ranging theme addressing resilient submarine cable infrastructure. Recommended topics include, but are not limited to the following:

- Innovative cable protection methods that minimise impacts on the marine environment
- Ensuring network reliability against a background of continuing climate change
- Science as it is applied to submarine cable system design, routing, and protection
- Installer, operator, and government measures to enhance cable system security
- Cooperation with other seabed users and/or regulators to protect infrastructure, marine industries, and biodiversity

**About the ICPC Plenary:** The ICPC's annual Plenary attracts global attendance and provides valuable opportunities to exchange ideas on the planning, installation, operation, protection and maintenance of submarine cables, to learn from colleagues facing similar challenges, and to get up-to-date with environmental and legal topics. The Plenary programme includes presentations, round tables, interviews, exhibits and networking opportunities.

### **Abstract Details and Deadlines:**

- **The cut-off date for abstract submission is Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**
- Presentations should be a maximum of 25 minutes long, (allowing for a 5-minute Q&A) and formatted in accordance with the ICPC provided guidelines.
- Overt marketing presentations will not be accepted. One slide stating the presenter's affiliation and its activities can be included at the beginning or end of the presentation.
- The ICPC will evaluate all submissions based on content, relevance, and quality.
- **Abstracts can be submitted online by clicking [here](#).**
- **Decision notification to presenters by Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022.**

**Plenary Attendance Details:** The ICPC Plenary (to be held in-person from 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in Madrid, Spain) is a closed event to ICPC Members, selected speakers and invited guests. Attendance at the ICPC Plenary provides significant benefits for Members, presenters, and exhibitors.

*The ICPC is a non-commercial, non-profit international community of interest comprising of more than 170 Member organisations from over 60 countries who are active in the critical activities of regulating, operating, building, securing, and maintaining submarine cable infrastructure. ICPC Members take care of over 97% of the world's submarine telecommunications cable infrastructure, and an increasing number of international submarine power cables. Visit: [www.iscpc.org](http://www.iscpc.org) or send an e-mail to: [secretariat@iscpc.org](mailto:secretariat@iscpc.org) for further information.*

**NOTE: The ICPC is continuing to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and will ensure all protocols are in-place for an in-person event. However, if a face-to-face meeting is not practical due to travel restrictions, a virtual Plenary will be arranged to include live and pre-recorded presentations for ICPC Members and invited speakers to stream online. Stay tuned for further event details in early 2022.**