



2022 Virtual ICPC Plenary Call for Papers

- **Online Conference Dates: 26th - 27th April 2022**
- **Abstract Deadline Extension: Friday, 4th February 2022**
- **Conference Format: Live Panels, Interviews and Pre-Recorded Presentations**

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 Plenary: The ICPC's 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, roundtables, and interviews.

Abstract Details and Deadlines:

- **NEW cut-off date for abstract submission is Friday, 4th February 2022.**
- The ICPC will evaluate all abstract submissions based on content, relevance, and quality.
- Accepted presenters will be requested to upload a narrated presentation. By submitting an abstract, you are agreeing to support the required format.
- Pre-recorded presentations should be a maximum of 30 minutes long.
- Overt marketing presentations will not be accepted. However, one slide stating the presenter's affiliation and its activities can be included.
- Presenters of selected subject matter may also be invited to participate in live panel sessions or interviews.
- **Abstracts can be submitted online by clicking [here](#).**
- **Decision notification to presenters by Friday, 25th February 2022.**
- **Pre-recorded presentations need to be submitted by Friday, 8th April 2022.**

Plenary Attendance Details: The ICPC Plenary (to be held virtually from 26th - 27th April 2022) is a closed event, with virtual attendance by ICPC Members, selected speakers and invited guests. Due to COVID-19, the 2022 Plenary format will be a two-day live virtual event comprised of live panel discussions, roundtables, and interviews. The most pertinent and emerging topics facing the submarine cable industry will be discussed through engaging dialogue and Q&A. Recorded presentations will be hosted on the dedicated Plenary website for on-going attendee viewing during and after the Plenary event.