About Goa

The state of Goa on the west coast of India is a prime vacation spot to the domestic and international tourists. Goa is referred as the “Paradise of the East”. With its wonderful climate throughout the year, Goa offers a variety of activities for all kinds of personalities.

The beaches of Goa are more sought after by tourists; the serene environment of the hinterland is appreciated by many naturists; floating casinos entice those who wish to try their luck; structures of historical importance and of world heritage enthral the visitors.

Goa is well connected by air, road and rail. Dabolim international airport (GOI) is well connected on domestic routes as well as to major international airports Mumbai, New Delhi, Bangalore, Chennai and Hyderabad. The Indian Railways connect Goa directly with routes to the North, East and Southern regions. Direct buses ply to Goa from Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Mangalore, and Pune. Visit Goa’s official tourism website: http://www.goa-tourism.com

Accommodation

Accommodation has been arranged at the following hotels with special rates for workshop participants during workshop period. However, if anyone wants to extend their stay they can do so on the pro-rata basis.

1) Hotel Cidade de Goa (about 1 km from CSIR-NIO)
   - Website: www.cidadedegoa.com
   - Contact: Mr. Ajay Nayak
   - Phone: +91 9822127525
   - e-mail: reservations@cidadedegoa.com
   - Rate applicable on B/B US$ 190 per room per night

   All your bookings should reach Cidade de Goa latest by 15 October 2018 to hold them on a confirmed basis or else rooms would be subject to availability.

2) Hotel Vivanta by Taj (about 5 km from CSIR-NIO)
   - Website: vivanta.tajhotels.com
   - Contact: Mr. Nikhita D’costa
   - Phone: +91 8554989071
   - e-mail: nikhita.dcosta@tajhotels.com
   - Rate applicable on B/B
     - Single Occupancy: US$ 191 per room per night
     - Double Occupancy: US$ 191 per room per night

3) Prainha Resort by the Sea (about 500 m from CSIR-NIO)
   - Website: www.prainha.com
   - Contact: Mr. Manjula
   - Phone: +91 7774010131
   - e-mail: prainhaireresort@gmail.com
   - Rate applicable on B/B
     - US$ 81.50 to 118 per room per night.

4) Hotel SinQ Edge (about 2km from CSIR-NIO)
   - Website: sinq.in/sinqedge/
   - Contact: Ms Shruti
   - Phone: +91 9552200817
   - e-mail: shruti@sinq.in
   - Rate is US$ 50 per room per night.

5) Science Centre, CSIR-NIO
   Cheaper accommodation for limited number of students have been arranged at Science Centre, CSIR-NIO.

   Participants are requested to inform the Conveners about their accommodation requirement.

   In addition, there are many hotels in an around Panaji, information of these hotels can be seen at different internet sites.
Background
The Indian Ocean is unique with the existence of the intermediate, slow and very slow spreading centres as well as with the presence of several microcontinents and the associated extinct spreading centres. Large amount of data acquired during the International Indian Ocean Expedition (IIOE, 1962-65) and subsequent period could provide broad understanding on the formation and evolution of all these features. However, still several unanswered problems exist in the Indian Ocean, probably due to the unavailability of the adequate data. Now, the Second International Indian Ocean Expedition (IIOE-2) has been launched with the objective of filling the knowledge gaps. This meeting is arranged to encourage Marine Geology and Geophysics communities for their active participation for acquisition of data in the gap areas and to provide better understanding on the structure and evolution of the Indian Ocean. Mid ocean ridge research picked up momentum in the Indian Ocean with the discovery of active vent fields near the Indian Ocean triple junction by the Japan and US teams in the years 2000 and 2001. Later, active vents have been discovered by the research groups from Japan, China, India and Korea in the Indian Ocean. Indian Ocean offers excellent opportunity to study the mid ocean ridges with varied spreading rates. This workshop could be a follow up of the 2005 Goa workshop and the 2007 Mauritius meeting organized by the InterRidge. The ridge research community will greatly benefit to get an updated account of the latest findings in the Indian Ocean. The present workshop is being organised jointly by Scientific Committee on Ocean Research (SCOR) and InterRidge, and hosted by CSIR - National Institute of Oceanography (CSIR-NIO), Goa, India, and National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research (NCAOR), Goa, India.

Objectives
The workshop will focus on the geological, geophysical, geochemical and physical aspects of the mid ocean ridges and the other geological features in the Indian Ocean and provide forum for exchange of ideas and results.

Themes for the Workshop
- Indian Ocean mid-oceanic ridges: hydrothermalism, fragile ecosystem, and deep-sea mining exploration
- Indian Ocean mid-ocean ridges: tectonics and magmatism in a wide range of spreading rates
- Evolving lithosphere of the Indian Ocean: from mid-ocean ridges to basins to active or passive margins
- Complex physical and geochemical aspects of the Indian Ocean mid-ocean ridge system
- Aseismic ridges, oceanic plateaus, micro-continents and seamounts of the Indian Ocean
- Implications of the collision and subduction on the complex history of the Indian Ocean
- Submarine fans and sedimentation history in the Indian Ocean

Scientific Organizing committee
- Dr. Jerome Dyment: InterRidge Chair, France, Chairman
- Dr. Colin Devey: InterRidge Coordinator
- Dr. M. Ravichandran: National Centre for Antarctic & Ocean Research, India
- Prof. Sunil K. Singh: CSIR - National Institute of Oceanography, India
- Dr. S. Rojan: IIOE2 Coordinator, India
- Prof. K.S. Krishna: University of Hyderabad, India
- Prof. G.N. Nayak: Goa University, India
- Prof. M. Radhakrishna: Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, India
- Dr. B. Nagender Nath: CSIR - National Institute of Oceanography, India
- Dr. K.A. Kamesh Raju: CSIR - National Institute of Oceanography, India

Local Organizing Committee
- Dr. M. Ravichandran: NCAOR, India, Co-Chair
- Prof. Sunil K. Singh: CSIR-NIO, India, Co-Chair
- Dr. Sanil Kumar: CSIR-NIO, India
- Dr. Abhay Mudholkar: CSIR-NIO, India
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- Dr. Maria Judith: CSIR-NIO, India
- Mr. Sundaresh: CSIR-NIO, India
- Dr. Maria Desa: CSIR-NIO, India
- Dr. Rahul Mohan: NCAOR, India
- Dr. K.P. Krishnan: NCAOR, India
- Mr. Abhishek Tyagi: NCAOR, India
- Dr. Parijat Roy: NCAOR, India

Dates to remember
- Registration: 10 August, 2018
- Accommodation: 15 October 2018
- Abstract submission: 10 August, 2018

Registration and abstracts submission deadline is extended to 25th August 2018

Travel Support
A limited number of travel fellowship will be offered by SCOR and InterRidge based on the situation and motivation of the applicant. Please apply using the registration form at https://www.interridge.org/RegisterIndianOceanMeeting

Registration Fees
- Foreign delegates (including students) : US$ 100 (₹ 7000 for onsite payment)
- Indian Delegates : ₹ 2000
- Indian Research scholars / students : ₹ 500

The registration fee may be paid online or transferred online to the account of CSIR-NIO, the details are given below:

Account Number : 30267368692
Name of the Bank : State Bank of India
Address of the Bank : Dona Paula Branch, Goa, India
SWIFT Code : SBININBB366 (For international transfer)
IFSC Code : SBIN0003566 (For national transfer)

Please quote the transaction reference number, date and amount in the registration form

Submission of abstracts
Abstracts to be submitted by e-mail to Conveners with a copy to scoriir2018@gmail.com as attached MS word files
All text should be in Arial 12 pt.
1) The title - 12 pt bold, centres
2) The authors - 12 pt normal, centred - the name of the presenting author should be underlined.
3) Address of the authors - 10 pt normal, left justified and should include: Institution, City, Country
4) The text of the abstract - 12 pt normal, single spaced, full justified
5) Spacing - one blank line to be left the title and the authors’ names, two blank lines to be left between organization address and the text of the abstract. Paragraphs to be separated by a blank line.
6) Left and right margins should be 2.5 cm.
7) Length of the abstract should be around 250 - 300 words.