



Membership statutes for Imagine/Imaging the Atlantic - A Pelagic Imaging Network Approach

Purpose of the network approach

Imagine/Imaging the Atlantic - A Pelagic Imaging Network Approach (I/ITAPINA) is a networking activity, implemented under the umbrella of AA-MARINET and supported by the [All-Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance](#). I/ITAPINA aims to build the All-Atlantic Pelagic imaging community and to develop a framework for operational marine ecosystem monitoring with pelagic imaging techniques. Commercially available and custom-built pelagic imaging instruments, such as the UVP5/UVP6, the Zooscan, the Video Plankton Recorder and others already are used by a loosely organized research community. I/ITAPINA will help to consolidate this community and strengthen it in South Atlantic countries, which are slightly underrepresented in the community. Network members are encouraged to share data, code, knowledge and instruments for pelagic imaging. Long-term objective of I/ITAPINA is the development of pelagic imaging towards operability.

Please take a look at the [Events](#) and [Online Resources](#) to learn more about this activity.

Access conditions

I/ITAPINA is an open access online network dedicated to sharing information and promoting scientific and technological development of pelagic imaging initiatives, covering marine and freshwater ecosystems around the Atlantic. The network is however open to anyone interested in pelagic imaging around the globe. To join I/ITAPINA, please answer the following [questionnaire](#) and additionally contact the I/ITAPINA lead Dr. Rainer Kiko (rkiko@geomar.de).

Code of conduct

Network members are requested to observe the following code of conduct to enable productive and respectful scientific and personal interactions:

- 1) Network members are advised to approach their counterparts by applying the highest standards of interpersonal communication, avoiding discrimination of any kind.
- 2) I/ITAPINA members aim to share computer code, data and publications freely, according to the [FAIR research guidelines](#).
- 3) Network members commit to sharing pelagic imaging instruments and the knowledge of their use, and to providing access to pelagic imaging research facilities, including research cruises.
- 4) Misuse of shared data, code or infrastructure and mistreatment of network members will lead to the exclusion of the offender.
- 5) Communication amongst network members is enabled via the I/ITAPINA mailing list. All members are subscribers to that list and can post to it. The I/ITAPINA lead moderates the posts. I/ITAPINA members can provide content to the I/ITAPINA lead for publication on the I/ITAPINA website. Members are responsible to keep their contact information up to date, by contacting the I/ITAPINA lead, should their e-mail address change.

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