



## Protocol for Scientific Advisory in Disasters and Emergencies by CSIC.

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#### ¿Who are we?



















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**CSIC**, is the largest public research organization in Spain, operates under the Ministry of Science and Innovation and is part of the Spanish System of Science, Technology, and Innovation (SECTI).

It **conducts basic and applied research** across all fields of knowledge, fostering scientific and technological development with a multidisciplinary approach. It also **contributes to economic, social, and cultural progress**, trains personnel, and **advises public and private entities**.









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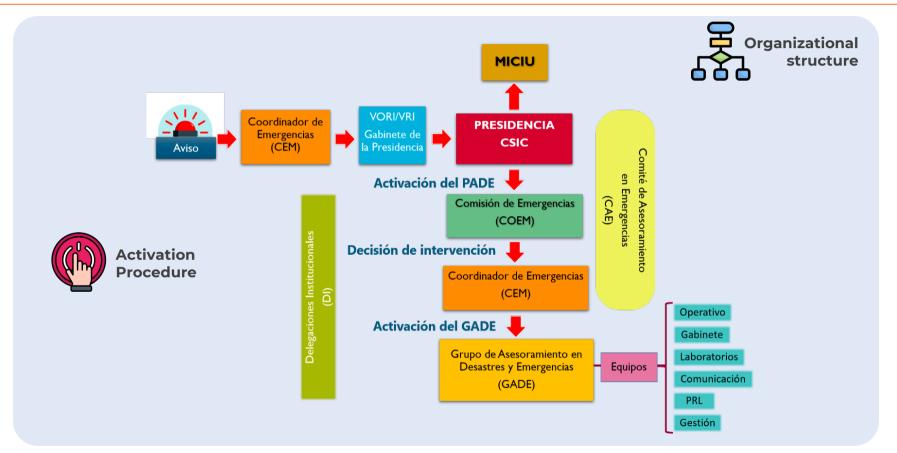








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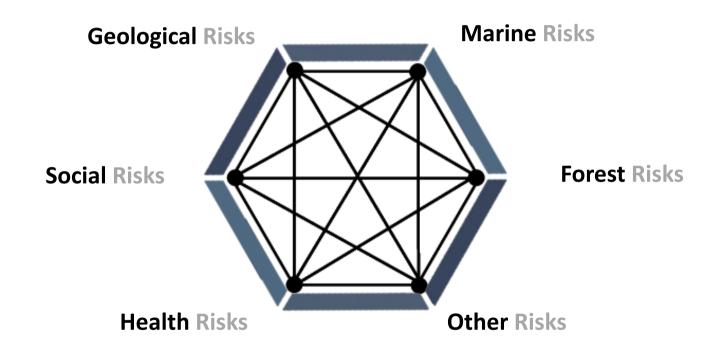








### Scientific Advisory Groups for Disasters and Emergencies (GADE):













## Comprehensive scientific-technical advisory services before, during, and after emergencies.

## Scientific Advisory Groups for Disasters and Emergencies (GADE):

- Broad scientific scope (all disciplines).
- Multidisciplinary teams.
- Participation in Scientific Committees, Advisory Committees, and working groups, etc.
- Administrative and management support (all-inclusive during emergencies).
- Communication during Emergencies.











## 2

## Fieldwork and Advisory for Operational Teams.

- On-site advisory for intervening teams with scientific oversight.
- Installation of scientific equipment.
- Sampling of rocks, water, biological materials, etc.
- Generation of emergency-specific information.























Unique Scientific and Technological Infrastructures ICTs - Oceanographic Fleet - Underwater Robots.



**R/V Odón de Buen (85m):**The largest and most modern oceanographic research vessel in Spain (Polar Capacity).



**R/V Sarmiento de Gamboa (70m):** The third-largest research vessel in Spain (Polar Capacity).



R/V Ángeles Alvariño &
R/V Ramón Margalef (56m each):
Twin regional-capacity oceanographic
vessels.



ROV Liropus 2000: An underwater robot capable of reaching depths of up to 2000 meters.









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#### National and International Certified Reference Laboratories.



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Example: The characterization of hydrocarbon samples (marine pollution emergencies) can only be certified at the CSIC's oil spill laboratory in Barcelona.

Accredited by ENAC (ISO 17025).











5 Other infrastructures and scientific-technical services.



**Forest Fire Laboratory** (Wind Tunnel - ICIFOR INIA-CSIC, Madrid).



**Aerial Operations Service** (IGME-CSIC).



Cartographic Visualizers (IELIG IGME-CSIC).











#### **Scientific Advisory:**

Participated in scientific and advisory committees providing expertise in physical oceanography, chemistry, biology, geology, volcanic susceptibility, and landslide risks.

Delivered daily scientific-technical reports throughout the six-month emergency.

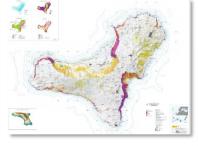
#### **Field Operations:**

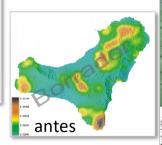
Deployed oceanographic vessels, underwater robots, and personnel on the island.

Conducted sample collection (physical, chemical, biological, geological) using land, sea, and air resources.

Assisted in national and international emergency response plans through the Information and Risk Analysis Cell (CIARA) of the National Maritime Security Council (CNSM), Spanish Government.



















#### **Scientific Advisory:**

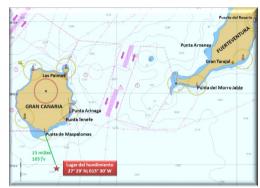
Participated in scientific and advisory committees on ocean dynamics and oil transport trajectories predictions for more thant five months.

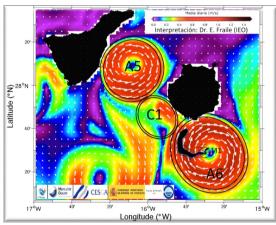
Produced over 100 reports forecasting pollutant dispersion and meso-scale interactions.

#### **Field Operations:**

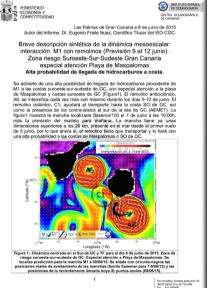
Oceanographic instrumentation deployment for model calibration.

Supported the Ministry's Ribera Plan for optimizing shoreline cleanup efforts.







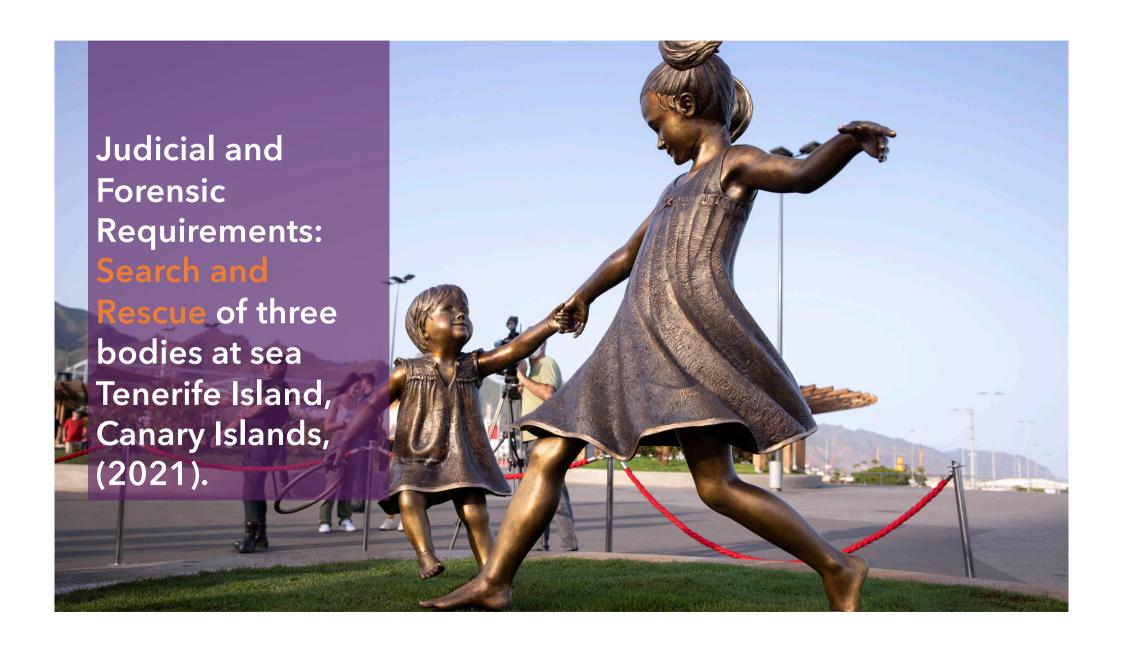












#### **Scientific Advisory:**

Conducted analyses on ocean dynamics, cartography/bathymetry, and object detection using sidescan sonar.

Collaborated with the Civil Guard following judicial orders.

#### **Operations:**

Deployed the *R/V Ángeles Alvariño* and ROV Liropus 2000, covering 247 km² of seabed between 116 and 1.976 meters depth.

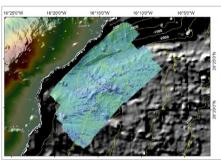
Generated over 392 hours of video footage during the search.

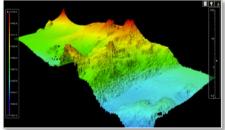
#### **Recognition:**

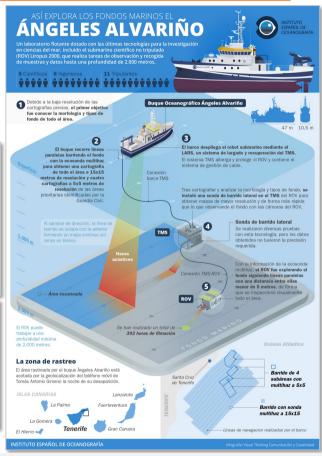
Awarded the Civil Guard Silver Cross of Merit to the IEO-CSIC.





















#### **Scientific Advisory:**

Participated in scientific and advisory committees providing expertise on physical-chemical, and biological oceanography; bathymetry; geological risks; and biodiversity impacts.

Generated reports on lava flow evolution, temperature, ash impacts, and fractures.

#### **Field Operations:**

Deployed personnel and resources, including oceanographic vessels, drones, and underwater robots.

Activated the Copernicus program for satellite monitoring of lava flows.

Delivered multidisciplinary reports addressing various aspects of the emergency.

#### **Recognition:**

Awarded the Civil Protection Silver Medal of Merit to the IEO-CSIC.

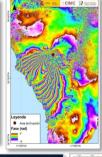


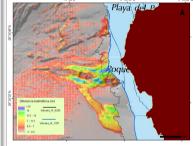


























#### **Scientific Advisory:**

Participated in committees addressing ocean dynamics, analytical chemistry, marine contamination, and impacts on fauna.

Produced reports on ocean dynamics and trajectory forecasts for pellets reaching Spanish beaches.

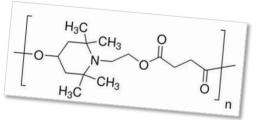
#### **Field Operations:**

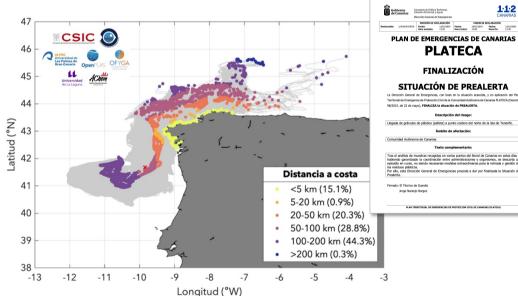
Collected samples by land, sea, and air, using oceanographic vessels, personnel deployed on beaches, and drones.

Sent pellet samples to reference laboratories for certified microplastic composition analysis.

Issued reports verifying the pellets in Asturias and the Canary Islands were unrelated to the Toconao spill.

















#### **Scientific Advisory:**

Participated in scientific and advisory committees, provided input on ocean dynamics, hydrocarbon chemical composition, microbiology, and bacteria.

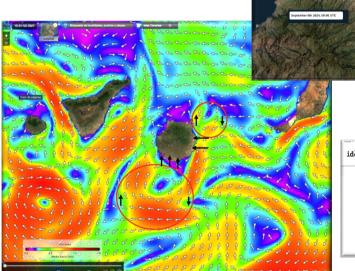
Developed scientific-technical reports on ocean dynamics, pollutant dispersion forecasts, meso-scale interactions, and fuel oil degradation in the marine environment.

#### **Field Operations:**

Sample collection and shipping to reference laboratories for fuel oil identification and degradation studies.

Real-time drone imagery analysis to identify oil slicks.



















**Press Release** 

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The CSIC provides expert scientific and technical advisory services to the Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Defense in managing the emergency caused by the DANA.

El apoyo se orienta a la interpretación de imágenes de satélite y de sistemas de información geográfica, y a informar sobre el estado de edificios e infraestructuras

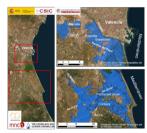
#### Fecha de noticia:

Martes, 5 Noviembre, 2024

El Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), organismo dependiente del Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades, está prestando asesoramiento experto científico-técnico en la gestión de la emergencia y la recuperación de las zonas afectadas por la DANA en el litoral mediterráneo al Ministerio del Interior, a través de la Dirección General de Protección Civil y Emergencias, y al Ministerio de Defensa, que ha solicitado apoyo para la Unidad Militar de Emergencias.

La ayuda al Ministerio de Interior está relacionada con la interpretación de las imágenes de satélite que se están obteniendo del Programa Copernicus de Observación de la Tierra de la Unión Europea, así como en sistemas de información geográfica para dar apoyo a la emergencia en la elaboración, interpretación y manejo de datos cartográficos.





Zona de inundación afectada calculada el día 02.11.2024 (basada en datos de Copernicus, Landsat y Sentinell/CSIC

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**Press Release** 

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The CSIC deploys the oceanographic vessel Ramón Margalef for scientific and technical advisory tasks in managing the emergency caused by the DANA.

Este buque de investigación dispone de tecnología de vanguardia para obtener imágenes detalladas del fondo marino y explorar zonas de difícil acceso

Fecha de noticia

Miércoles, 6 Noviembre, 2024

El Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), organismo dependiente del Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades, ha movilizado al buque de investigación Ramón Margalef, del Instituto Español de Oceanografía (IEO-CSIC), para incorporarlo a las labores de apoyo científico-técnico que está prestando la institución en la gestión de la emergencia y la recuperación de las zonas afectadas por la DANA en el litoral mediterráneo.

El Ramón Margalef, botado en 2011, es un buque oceanográfico de vanguardia equipado con tecnología de última generación, capaz de explorar los océanos con gran precisión y detalle, que cuenta con una eslora de 46 metros y capacidad para 11 investigadores/as y técnicos/as.

El buque cuenta con un sistema de ecosonda multihaz, una herramienta que permite obtener imágenes detalladas del fondo marino, generando mapas batimétricos de alta resolución. Gracias a esta tecnología, es posible estudiar la topografía submarina e identificar diferentes tipos de sustrato con resolución de pocos metros. También cuenta con el robot submarino Liropus 2000 con brazos articulados y cámaras de alta resolución que pueden



BIO Ramón Margalef./ César Hernández/CSIC

Material de descarga

Nota de prensa

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## **Science for Policy**







Collection of thematic reports through which solid scientific evidence, generated in CSIC is presented around a scientific and social problem.

Transformation of the knowledge generated at CSIC into contributions accessible to a non-specialized public.

Relevant scientific information that can support informed and evidence-based **political decision-making**.











Find a good balance between good 'information from leaders' and 'information from experts'.

✓ Leadership is essential.

The presence of the political leader helps to understand the importance of the disaster and the challenges of recovery.

✓ Knowledge is key.

The indispensable presence of the expert provides precision about what is happening and what will happen during the emergency.

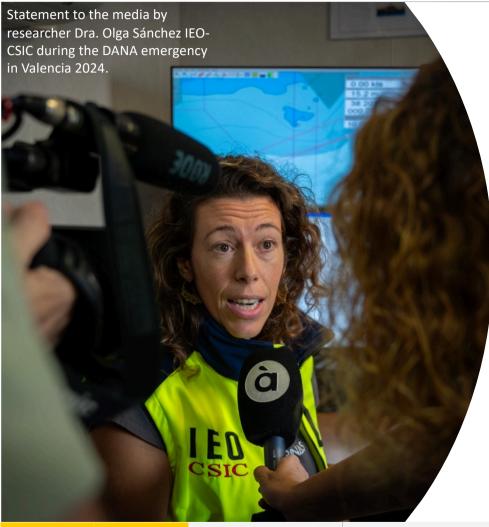












Follow a simple but effective scheme when communicating:

What we know.
Information, certainties and reality about our actions.

✓ What we still don't know.
Total sincerity about the lack of a specific knowledge. We are in a process of everyday-more-certainties.

What we think is going to happen.
 Expectations scenarios and forecasts are useful in the process, but always with awareness of probabilities.

What we recommend to do.
 Safety guidelines, where to be informed and how to help.









# Surf the rhythm of the crisis.

- ✓ Provide official information to the media at a constant and known pace.
- Disseminate valuable and coherent information on social media, combating misinformation and hoaxes.
- ✓ Use graphics, projections and audiovisual language.
- ✓ Constantly recapitulate all information.
- ✓ Adjust the flow of information as you move through different phases of the emergency.













Tone and codes: provide value.

- ✓ Begin with empathy, avoid overacting.
- ✓ Communicate positive and useful information for the population. Think about public needs.
- ✓ Avoid technical language.
- ✓ "Dress-code", identify as a researcher of your institution.
- ✓ Insist on recommendations and adjust expectations: in crises, primal instincts interfere with the rational processing of information.











# Good communication is a round trip

- √ Keep a long term commitment with the media.
- ✓ Comments and complaints are a thermometer of how our message is being understood.
- ✓ Constant, multichannel communication allows us to know how the affected population feels.
- ✓ Maintaining an open communication facilitates the war against hoaxes and misinformation.
- ✓ Each well-managed crisis helps create confidence in emergency managers and peace of mind in future incidents.













# Thank you very much for your attention!



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