

Young Talent and the Blue Economy

Towards a fit-for-purpose training for marine graduates

Panel Session 1 – “What does a modern fit-for-purpose marine graduate training system look like?”

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Towards a fit-for-purpose training for marine graduates- My training until now

- ✓ Degree in Environmental Engineering (5 years degree- before Bologna process)
- ✓ Erasmus Program (2006) (-problems in getting credit equivalences)
- ✓ **Research in University of Lisbon**
- ✓ **As a researcher I provided training for:**
 - ✓ students:
 - High school (17-18 years old)
 - Elementary school (10-12years old)

As a researcher I received training:

- Sea pollution combat exercises
- On board security and rescue
- Several Training- Ocean Literacy project SOPHIA (free for researchers, resources were online)

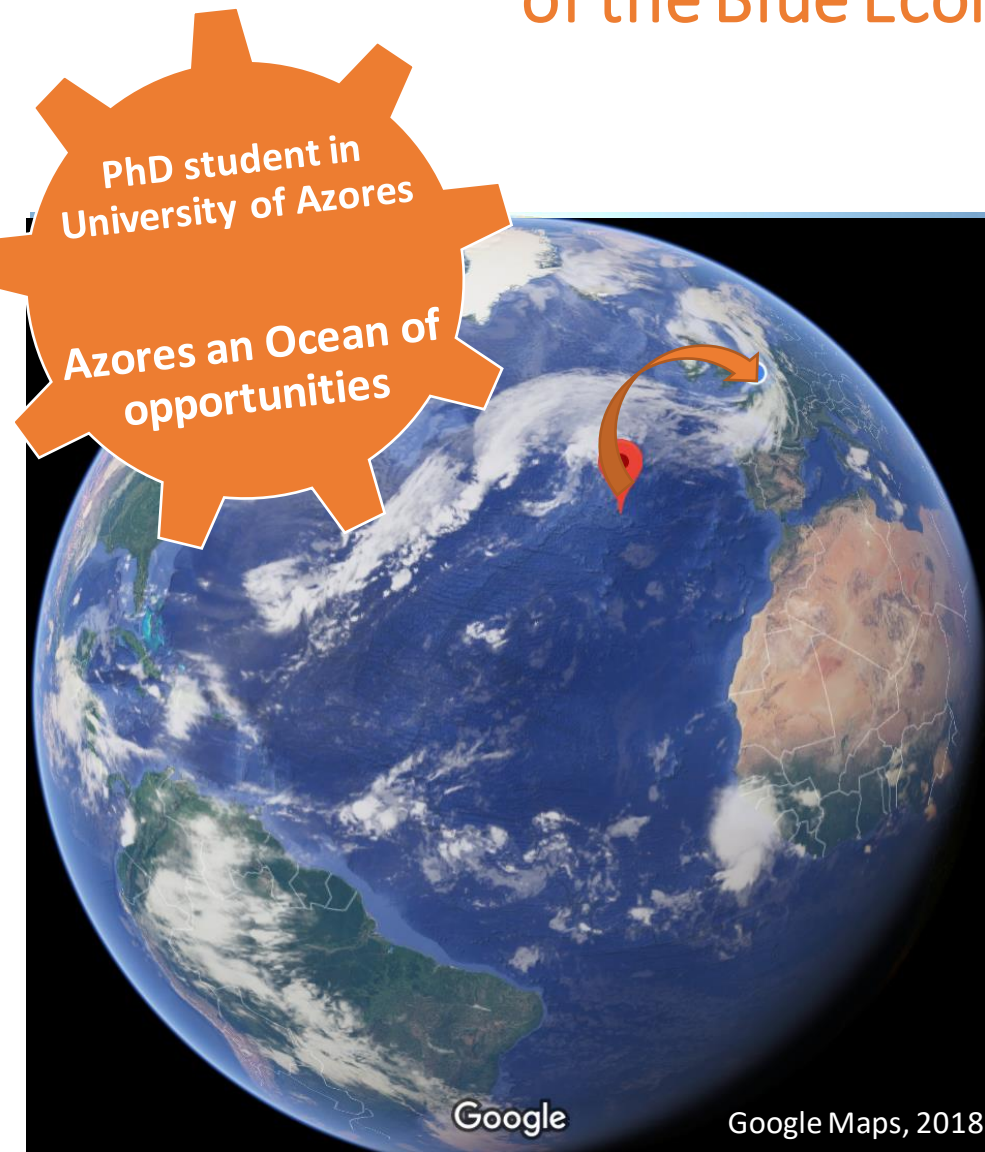
Researcher at University of the Azores

Searching for a Phd funding

- **Master degree(2017)** (5 years degree ≠ 3+2 years degree)
- **PhD Student:**
 - Internship at European Marine Board



Multi-disciplinary training will be able to help support the many aspects of the Blue Economy- An Ocean of opportunities



Can we have more? Yes, we have one Ocean of opportunities

- More mobility & collaboration between institutes, sharing tools, training and knowledge, more scientific talks.
- Doctoral Programs: Why not a marine doctoral School? In the Azores and others places?
- Online courses, Webinars, interdisciplinary actions.
- **Increase Ocean Literacy:**
 - From the elementary school (the children educate the parents)
 - The Ocean is not only for fishing and leisure- promote the Blue Grow
- **Involve the community & society with academy:**
 - Exchange of innovative solutions and positive experiences- providing small activities, workshops, open talks with the community.
 - **More interdisciplinary actions:** the Ocean is transversal to: engineering, security and rescue, climate, tourism, economy and policy.
- Need to engage more students for marine sciences degrees.

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Thank you for your attention!

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