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ENCUENTROS
VALPARAÍSO 2025
Workshop



Outcomes

Creation of a regional network of Maritime Museums in Latin America.

Implementation of the "anchor museums" model: large museums serving as “anchors” for small and medium-sized museums within the network.

Presentation of joint initiatives within the framework of the network.

Promotion of new members for ICMM.

Ongoing exchange of information, advice, and support within the network.

Creation of a *pro tempore* secretariat.

Background

In 2022 only five maritime museums in Latin America were members of ICMM.

Latin America has a rich maritime heritage. We had a story to share!

But, communication and networking among the region's maritime museums were very limited.

We needed to strengthen ourselves both for cultural expression and as a regional voice.

Why not create a network through a workshop?









Aims and Objectives

To create a Latin American Network of Maritime Museums.

To hold the "ENCUENTROS" workshop in October 2025—organized by the National Maritime Museum (MMN) of Chile in Valparaíso and the Maritime Heritage Corporation of Chile—thanks to funding received through the ICMM from the Lloyd's Register Foundation.

To gain insight into the heritage, collections, and projects of small and medium-sized maritime museums in Latin America, thereby creating a unique space for the exchange of knowledge and experiences among these institutions, enriching our shared heritage and promoting it globally within the ICMM network.







Main Activities

Presentation of current activities of each maritime museum of Latin America.

Academic program on topics of common interest in the region.

Panel discussion on matters related to maritime heritage.

Reflections on shared ideas and future initiatives.

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MARITIME MUSEUMS MODEL

Legacy

Today, 12 maritime museums in Latin America are part of ICMM.

The "Anchor Museums" model is being applied to establish a vast network of maritime museums across Ibero-America, creating a cultural voice that represents Spanish -and Portuguese-speaking maritime museums.

We have set a course!