



# White Paper

## Coordinating and Implementing Oceanographic Research in Foreign Ports and obtaining Foreign Research Clearances





# The History

- Very difficult operations in/out of Mexico in late 2016-2017
- Large variety of issues from
  - Last minute changes in visa requirements
  - Cargo difficulties – in and out
  - Questions around agent
  - Difficulties obtaining sample shipment requirements
- Special meeting at the spring scheduling meeting



# The Committee

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# Goals

- Review recent sticking points
- Review current operations
- Develop some Best Practices/Guidelines to include (but not limited to):
  - Proposal Budget Planning
  - Agents
  - Use of Freight-forwarders
  - Packing and manifesting
  - Foreign Collaborators & Observers
  - Information transfers



Any Questions?