



GEOHAB2027

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Marine Geological & Biological Habitat Mapping Conference

3-7 May 2027 | Paihia, Bay of Islands | Aotearoa New Zealand

SAVE THE DATE & REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Join marine scientists, managers and practitioners from around the world in beautiful Paihia, Aotearoa New Zealand, for GEOHAB 2027.

GeoHab (Marine Geological and Biological Habitat Mapping) is an international community of marine scientists, managers and practitioners working to understand the connections between the seafloor, ocean environment and marine ecosystems. By integrating geological, oceanographic and biological information, GeoHab advances our understanding of benthic habitats, biological communities and species diversity.

The GeoHab community brings together experts from around the world to:

- support marine spatial planning, sustainable ocean management and evidence-based decision-making;
- inform the design, management and monitoring of marine protected areas;
- advance scientific research into the processes that shape seafloor environments and influence benthic ecosystems;
- support the assessment and sustainable management of living and non-living marine resources, including fisheries.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY

Stay informed about:

- Call for abstracts announcements
- Registration opening dates
- Programme updates
- Workshop and field trip opportunities
- Conference news and important deadlines



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VENUE

The Waitaha Room at the Copthorne Hotel and Resort Bay of Islands will provide the central gathering place for GeoHab 2027. Overlooking the beautiful Bay of Islands and located adjacent to the historic Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the venue offers a unique setting for the exchange of ideas, collaboration and connection.

SESSION THEMES

Conference sessions will be developed from submitted abstracts. Proposed themes include:

- Climate change effects on marine habitats
- Coastal and shallow-water habitats
- Continental shelf & slope habitats
- Deep-sea habitats
- Deep-sea mining
- Habitat mapping for marine restoration
- Human impacts on marine habitats
- Management & communication
- Mapping programs, datasets, efforts & partnerships
- New approaches & technologies
- Participatory mapping, citizen science & outreach
- Polar & sub-polar environments
- Urban sea systems

STAY TUNED

Call for abstracts expected to open in October 2026.

Further information on abstract deadlines, registration dates and programme announcements will be released soon.

Preliminary Programme

Monday 3 rd May	Pre-conference workshop and icebreaker
Tuesday 4 th May	Conference and poster session
Wednesday 5 th May	Conference session and dinner
Thursday 6 th May	Conference session and GeoHab AGM
Friday 7 th May	Fieldtrip

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