



# First EAGE Workshop on Mobile Shales

**UNDERSTANDING PROCESSES, IMAGING, AND RISKS**

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## OVERVIEW

The Workshop on Mobile Shales: Understanding Processes, Imaging, and Risk will address a broad range of geological settings in which shale mobility plays a significant role, including sedimentary basins, fold-and-thrust belts, and continental margins. The workshop will focus on the relationships between shale deformation, fluid systems, overpressure development, and structural architecture, and how these factors influence basin evolution and subsurface interpretation.

Contributions will cover field-based observations, seismic and subsurface imaging, numerical and physical modeling, and the characterization of physical and mechanical properties of mobile shale systems. Particular attention will be placed on imaging challenges, scale-dependent processes, and the comparison of contrasting geological settings and datasets.

The workshop format combines technical presentations, dedicated discussion sessions, and a field-based component to the Pâclele Mud Volcanos region, supporting focused scientific exchange and cross-disciplinary interaction.

## AIM

The workshop aims to compare and define the processes that control shale mobility across different tectonic settings. It seeks to improve the integration of field observations, seismic interpretation, and modeling approaches in order to better constrain the structural expression, physical properties, and evolution of mobile shale systems. A further objective is to identify unresolved problems and applied questions and to outline priorities for future research and multidisciplinary studies.

## TECHNICAL PROGRAMME TOPICS

### Mobile shale provinces

- Mobile shales in basins, continental margins, and fold-thrust belts. Deformation and tectonic processes involving mobile shales. Seismic interpretation and field examples. Mud volcano systems. Fluid systems associated with mobile shales.

### Imaging and sampling mobile shales

- Seismic imaging and interpretation. Geophysical models for imaging mobile shales. Advances in sampling and geochemistry. Safety prediction and drilling in mobile shale basins.

### Controls and drivers of mobile shale processes

- Influence on basin sedimentation. Mechanical properties. Physical, numerical, and geomechanical modeling. Overpressure processes.

### Applications and implications of mobile shales

- Geohazards and risk mitigation. Mud volcano hazards. Environmental and societal impacts. Implications for energy and mineral resources. Drilling and engineering challenges.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The technical committee invites abstracts of two pages. Submissions will be accepted online via [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org). Please review the guidelines on the event web page before submitting your abstract.

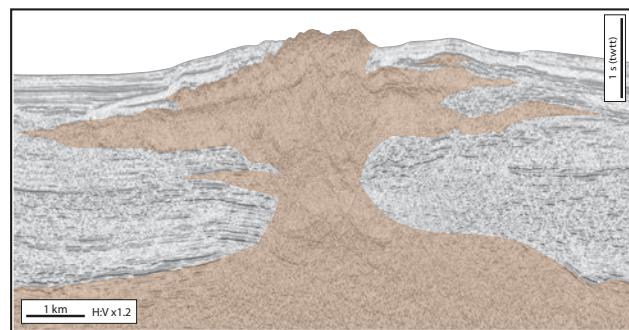
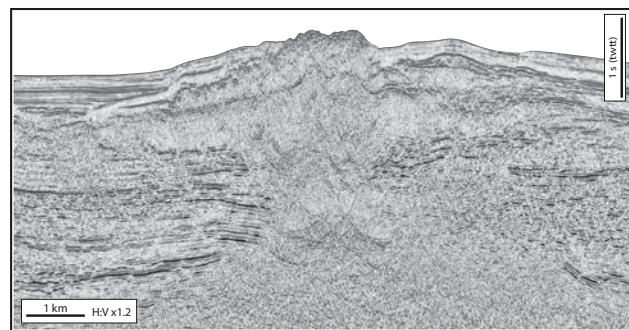


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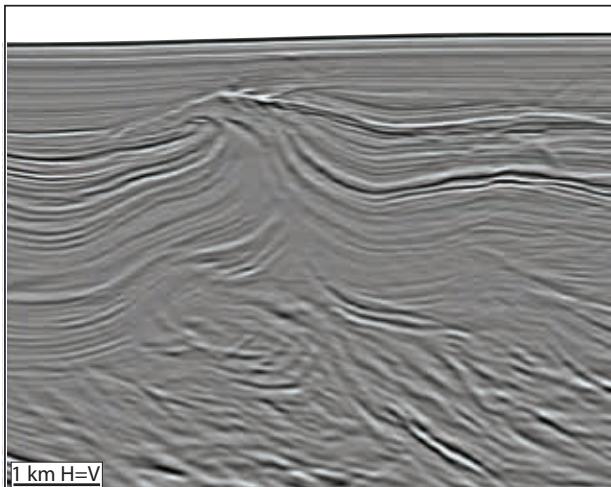
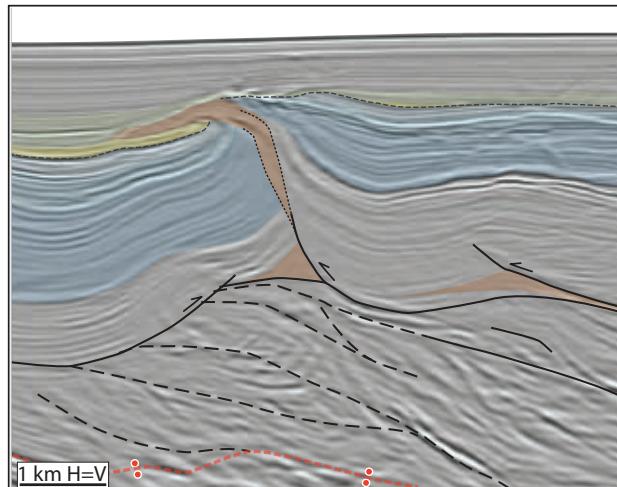


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## IMPORTANT DATES

Call for Abstracts Open	December 2025
Registration Opens	5 January 2026
Call for Abstracts Deadline	15 May 2026
Early Registration Deadline	31 July 2026
Regular Registration Deadline	31 August 2026
Late Registration Deadline	6 October 2026
Mobile Shales Workshop	7 - 9 October 2026

## VENUE

To be announced.

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