



## II International Workshop on Environment and Plastics 2025 "Science-Based Awareness: Confronting Plastic Pollution"

November 24–28, 2025

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice

Plastic pollution caused by the presence of plastics in ecosystems and its importance due to the effects they cause highlights the need to understand the current situation regarding this issue. Therefore, the coordinating institutions have proposed to hold this workshop. **We offer a space to share international research and initiatives developed for a better understanding of the behavior of these contaminants in ecosystems and the consequences they bring when interacting with the surrounding biota.**

This workshop is held as a continuation of the 1st Environment and Plastic Workshop held in 2024 and proposes collaboration in the dissemination of science and innovation in these knowledge fields, valuing new ways to effectively reach students and coastal communities in general. It is also part of the project “Adaptation to minimize anthropic impact on sea turtles in the Cuban platform.”

We also hope to count on broad collaboration to hold this **II International Workshop on Environment and Plastic 2025**, with greater participation than before and a bigger impact on communities.

The venue will be the **Faculty of Biology at the University of Havana from November 24 to 27**, where poster exhibitions will also take place. The workshop will close at the **National Aquarium of Cuba on November 28**.

The III International Workshop on Environment will be held in Mérida, Yucatán, for which we are seeking sponsorships and are open to collaborations.

### Coordinators

- Dr. Gustavo Arencibia-Carballo, Fisheries Research Center (CIP).
- Dr. Jorge Arturo Tello Cetina, TecNM, Mérida Institute of Technology (Mexico).
- María K. Gutiérrez Chica, 3rd-year Biology Student, University of Havana.
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- Dr. Irina Salgado Bernal, Faculty of Biology, University of Havana.

## Thematic Areas

- Environmental contamination: Current statistics and policies.
- Plastic presence across environmental matrices: Pollution sources and impacts.
- Interaction between plastics and biotic ecosystem components: Contamination effects.
- Primary consequences of pollution on flora and fauna.
- Microplastics: Occurrence in diverse matrices; environmental and human health implications.
- Remediation strategies for plastic pollution: Initiatives, community engagement, and biotechnologies.

## Organizing Institutions (logos on header)

- Faculty of Biology, University of Havana (FBio.UH)
- Fisheries Research Center (CIP)
- National Aquarium of Cuba
- Mérida Institute of Technology, Mexico (TecNM)

## Sponsoring Institutions (logos on footer)

- Institute of Marine Sciences (ICIMAR)
- El Bohío Electronic Journal
- Radio Caibarién

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**Submission period finishes on: November 10, 2025.**

Contact the above emails for collaborations and sponsorships.